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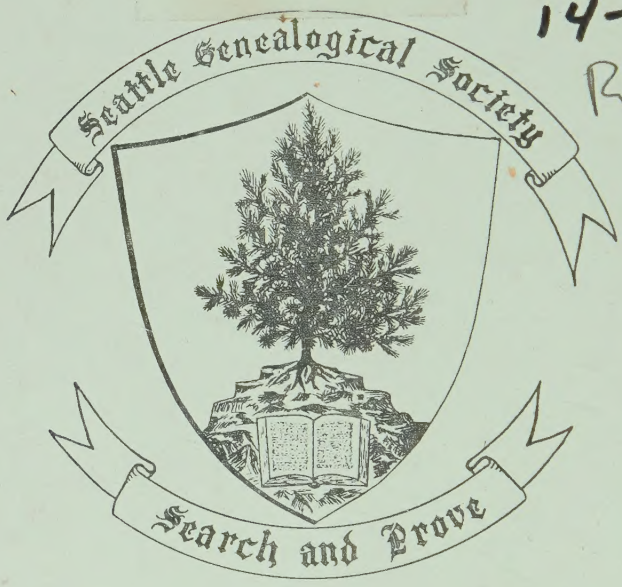

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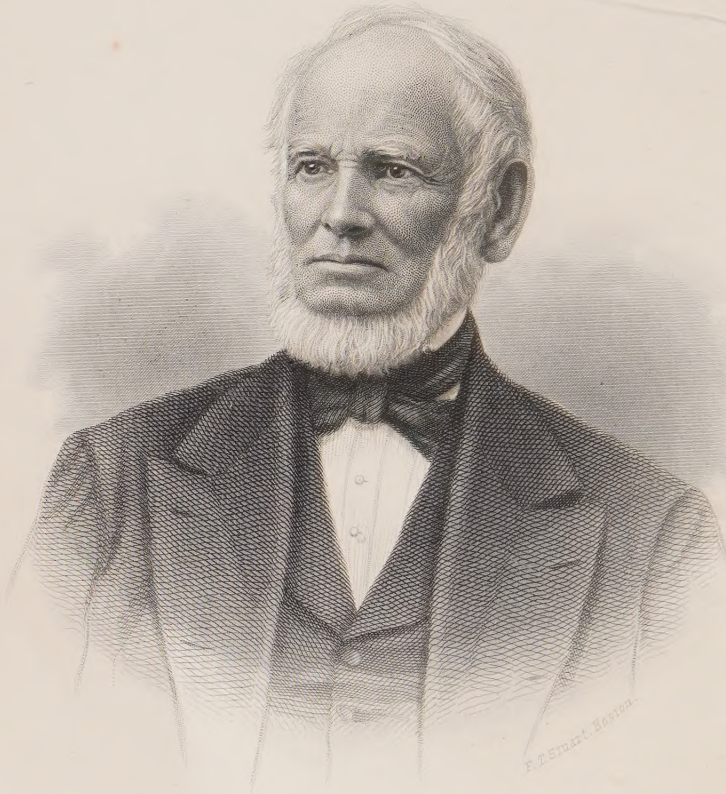

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TOWN OF MILFORD,

WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS,

FROM ITS FIRST SETTLEMENT TO 1881.

In Two Parts.

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PREFACE.

THIS History of Milford was commenced, under an engagement with the town authorities, in the spring of 1876, and has occupied nearly all the time I could spare from other regular duties during nearly six years. It has proved a more laborious undertaking than at first I anticipated. It also covers more ground, and is more elaborate, than I then contemplated. But, getting fairly started, the vista opened before me in widening expansion; and I saw that I could not produce such a volume as would at once do honor to the town and myself, without enlarging its scope, particularity, and comprehensiveness. I therefore did so, with more labor and pains than anybody can appreciate who has not executed some similar enterprise. The results now appear in their very ample proportions, subject to the various criticisms of divergent mental judgment. I have had hard work to satisfy myself, and do not expect the unanimous approval of others; yet I hope the majority of my judges will pronounce favorably. I do not claim perfection, either in matter or style. Doubtless my general arrangement has faults, my execution errors, and my specification inaccuracies; but I have been at great pains to render these as few and unimportant as the nature of such a work permitted. Probably I have been too prolix on some topics, too brief on others, and too omissive on others. Also, that in my biographical sketches I have over-eulogized some, under-eulogized others, and neglected to eulogize several who deserved creditable notice. But in all these, as in other respects, I have followed my own best judgment, and do not shrink from the responsibility.

It will be seen that I have divided the work into two general parts, — History and Genealogy. Part I. is almost exclusively historical, with only some incidental exceptions which seemed allowable. It comprises seventeen chapters of various length, arranged in what seemed to be the natural logical order. Each of these embodies the themes and topics that belong legitimately under its caption. Thus the reader, by looking at the Table of Contents, will, for the most part, perceive at once where to find any particular matter treated of, that may be the subject of special inquiry. But, in default of this, my carefully prepared Index will give him the very page that contains the topic or name desired. Most of these chapters are subdivided into sections with specific appropriate headings. This may also be a help to research in some cases. I must here observe, that some of the earlier chapters were written before Dr. John G. Metcalf's History of Mendon was published. His "Annals" were then in manuscript; and he kindly permitted me, through my copyist, the late Alex. H. Allen, to take liberal extracts necessary for this history; which I made use of *verbatim et literatim*. Very naturally, when the Doctor came to pass his manuscript through the press, he slightly changed some of his verbalism. But I have let my extracts stand nearly as Mr. Allen copied them; and, therefore, some apparent discrepancies may appear in the printed texts of the two published histories. In glancing at them, however, I did not think them important enough to require much re-writing of my own manuscripts.

Part II. consists of what may be called a Biographico-Genealogical Register, arranged in alphabetical order of surnames. Of these surnames there are more than four hundred, many of them branching into numerous family records. All our ancient, prominent inhabitants are brought into conspicuous notice, and many others, of more or less note, all the way down to the present time. This has been by far the most arduous, complex, difficult, and perplexing portion of my undertaking, — necessitating much delay in sending it to press. It may be useless to tell, and tedious to read, of my researches in the three County Registries of Probate and Deeds, where our records have been made since 1667; in town clerks' and parish clerks' offices far and near; in the State archives; in graveyards old and new;

in family Bibles and memoranda, many of which were vexatiously conflicting; or of genealogical blanks sent forth, and newspaper advertisements for information, heeded and unheeded; or of manifold personal and mail-sent calls on individuals in quest of data; or of numerous emendations necessitated by defective returns sent in: mere allusion to these must suffice. In all cases where my genealogical resources enabled me, I have gone back to the ancestral immigrants of our families, and designated the successive male descendants, in consecutive generations, by small numerals at the right hand of each lineal name. Thus the earliest progenitor found is numbered [1], his son [2], his grandson [3], etc.; so that those of the present generation can see at a glance the successive links of their pedigree. In this I have had quite too little help from those most interested; who generally thought themselves sufficiently well informed, if able to name their grandparents. Not a few will regret neglecting to answer my repeated calls for their family records, when they see that their more considerate neighbors have wisely reported for posterity their lineage. I have enhanced the usefulness and value of the work, both to insiders and outsiders, by liberally disregarding town lines, and giving the genealogy of many families originating in, or emigrating to, other localities more or less distant from Milford. Our Irish-American citizens ought to have represented themselves more largely in my Genealogical Register for the sake of their children, grandchildren, etc., who, I am sure, will not thank them for their remissness. Perhaps, however, few of them are really blameworthy, all circumstances considered.

The common soldiers, as well as officers, in the great civil war, will find themselves commemorated in Chap. VIII., as specifically as the space of even that long chapter would allow. Their names are alphabetically arranged, and can easily be found. Let them only be careful to study the abbreviations which preface the names. I have used many other abbreviations in this work, and especially in Part II. I have therefore presented at the outset an Abbreviation Key, from which any one can easily learn to understand most of those abbreviations. This will immediately follow the Table of Con-

tents, Part I., and will itself be followed by an article headed Freeman's Oath and Ballot; all which see in their order.

Without multiplying words further, I now submit and commend this volume to all classes of its expected readers. They will see that the historian, the Publication Committee, and the Town have spared no reasonable expense to furnish them a historical work, replete with well-digested matter, fine pictorial embellishments, and every thing adapted to render it a household treasure for present and coming generations.

ADIN BALLOU.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 1, 1881.

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AN ABBREVIATION KEY.

MANY abbreviations are used, especially in Part II. of this work, and more or less in Part I. Those in Chapter VIII., "War Record of the Rebellion," are most numerous. They are nearly all explained in the opening of the chapter. Some of the more common, in both Parts, hardly need explanation. Many others may need one. I therefore make the following specifications : —

A.

A., for age, aged; *adj.*, for adjutant, adjacent, adjoining; *ack.*, for acknowledge-ed-ment; *ac.*, *acs.*, acre, acres; *admr.*, administrator-trix, administer-ed; *adm.*, admitted; *amt.*, amount, amounting; *acct.*, *A.D.*, *A.M.*, etc., are common, and well understood.

B.

Bap., baptized, Baptist, baptism; *batt.*, battery, battalion; *Bell.*, Bellingham; *b.*, born, birth; *bd.*. bound-ed-ing; *bro.*, *bros.*, brother, brothers; *B.*, Brown, in connection with the university; *brig.*, brigade, brigadier.

C.

Capt., captain; *cer.*, ceremony; *ch.*, church; *chap.*, chapter; *chn.*, children; *clk.*, clerk ; *cler.*, clergyman; *co.*, company, county; *coll.*, college; *col.*, colonel; *Cong.*, congregation, Congregational; *Ct.*, court, Connecticut; *cor.*, corporal.

D.

Ds., days; *Dec.*, December; *dea.*, deacon; *D.*, Deed; *d.*, died, deceased, death, dead; *dr.*, daughter; *dist.*, district; div., division, divided, etc.

E.

E., east; *ely.*, easterly or eastwardly; *Eng.*, England; *eld.*, elder; *en.*, enlisted; *ens.*, ensign; *est.*, estate.

F.

Fam., family, families; *fr.*, father; *fol.*, follows-ed-ing; *Fram.*, Framingham; *Feb.*, February.

G.

Gen., General, generation; *gt.*, great; *gd.*, grand; *grad.*, graduate.

H.

H. U., Harvard University; *Holl.*, Holliston; *Hon.*, honor, honorable; *Hop.*, Hopkinton; *hr.*, hour; *hs.*, house, houses; *hus.*, husband; *hist.*, history, etc.

I.

Incor., incorporated; *inft.*, infant, infantry, etc.; *inhab.*, inhabitants, etc.

J.

Jan., January; *J. P.*, justice or justices of the peace; *jt.*, joint.

K.

Kt., knight; *k.*, killed; *kn.*, known.

L.

Ld., land; *lat.*, latitude; *lf.*, life; *Lt.* or *Lieut.*, lieutenant; *lv.*, lives, or living; *long.*, longitude; *ld.*, lord; *lt.*, lot.

M.

M., married; *mge.*, marriage; *Mar.*, March; *mead.*, meadow-s; *Med.*, Medway; *Men.*, Mendon; *Mil.*, Milford; *ml.*, *mls.*, mile, miles; *mo.*, month; *mr.*, mother.

N.

N., or *No.*, North; *nw.*, new; *Nov.*, November.

O.

O., old; *Oct.*, October; *obj.*, object, objection, etc.

P.

Pt., parent; *ptge.*, parentage; *prob.*, probable, probably; *poss.*, possess, possession, etc.; *prop.*, property, or proposition; *pub.*, public, publish, etc.

Q.

Qr., quarter; *qr. mr.*, Quartermaster.

R.

Rec., record, recorded; *recd.*, received; *reg.*, registry, etc.; *regt.*, and, in Chapter VIII., *R.*, stands for regiment; *riv.*, river; *remvd.*, or *mvd.*, removed; *res.*, resides, resided, residence, resident, etc.; *rt.*, right; *r.*, rod, or rods; *rd.*, road; *R.R.*, railroad.

S.

St., saint, also street; *set.*, settle-ed, settler, etc.; *So.*, South; *sold.*, soldier, etc.; *supp.*, suppose-ed; *S.*, style, as, O. S., old style, N. S., new style; *stud.*, student, study-ied, etc.

T.

Temp., Temperance, Templars, etc.; *ten.*, tenor.

U.

U., university; *Ux.*, Uxbridge; *Up.*, Upton; *um.*, unmarried.

W.

Wk., week; *wid.*, widow-ed, etc.; *wf.*, wife; *wvs.*, wives.

Y.

Yr., year, etc.; *yng.*, young.

THE ANCIENT FREEMAN'S OATH AND BALLOT.

I COPY the following valuable and interesting statement from Hudson's History of Marlborough, which I am sure my readers will appreciate:

"As we have frequent occasion, especially in the Genealogy, to speak of freemen' and of individuals being 'admitted freemen,' it seems proper that a few words should be said upon the subject. A 'freeman' was one who was allowed the right of suffrage, and was eligible to office. Our pious ancestors guarded the ballot-box with peculiar care. As early as 1631, they ordered that 'no man shall be admitted to the freedom of the Commonwealth, but such as are members of some of the churches within the limits of this jurisdiction.' This law operating hardly against some recent immigrants, it was so modified in 1662, that all Englishmen 'shall present a certificate, under the hand of the minister or ministers of the place where they dwell, that they are orthodox in religion, and not vicious in their lives; and also a certificate from the selectmen, that they are freeholders, ratable to the county in a single country rate to the value of ten shillings,' and they may then present themselves to the General Court for admittance as freemen, and, if accepted by the Court, may enjoy the privileges of freemen in the Commonwealth.

"But before, or rather as a part of, the induction into the high and responsible post of freeman, the following solemn oath was to be taken: —

"'I, A B, being by God's providence an inhabitant and freeman within the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth, do freely acknowledge myself to be subject to the government thereof, and therefore do swear by the great and dreadful name of the everlasting God, that I will be true and faithful to the same, and will accordingly yield assistance and support thereunto with my person and estate, as in equity I am bound, and also truly endeavor to maintain and preserve all the liberties and privileges thereof, submitting myself to the wholesome laws and orders made and established by the same: and further, that I will not plot nor practice any evil against it, nor consent to any that shall do so, but will timely discover and reveal the same to lawful authority now here established for the speedy preventing thereof; moreover, I do solemnly bind myself in the sight of God, that when I shall be called to give my voice touching any such matters of this State wherein freemen are to deal, I will give my vote and suffrage, as I shall judge in my conscience may best conduce and tend to the public weal of the body, without respect of persons, or favor of any man. *So help me God, in the Lord Jesus Christ.*'

"After being thus qualified by the vote of the Court, and by taking the above oath, the freeman was allowed to vote in the elections in the following manner, and under the following penalty: 'It is ordered by this Court, and by the authority thereof, that for the yearly choosing of assistants, the freemen shall use Indian corn and beans — the Indian corn to manifest election, the beans the contrary; and if any freeman shall put in more than one corn or bean for the choice or refusal of any public officer, he shall forfeit, for every such offence, ten pounds; and that every man that is not a freeman, or hath not liberty of voting, putting in any vote, shall forfeit the like sum of ten pounds.'

"The freemen at first were all required to appear before the General Court, to give their votes for assistants; but it was found inconvenient, and even dangerous, for all of them to assemble in one place, leaving their homes unprotected; and hence it was ordered, 'That it shall be free and lawful for all freemen to send their votes for elections by proxy in the next General Court in May, and so for hereafter, which shall be done in this manner: The deputy which shall be chosen shall cause the freemen of the town to be assembled, and then take such freemen's votes, as please to send them by proxy, for any magistrates, and seal them up severally, subscribing the magistrate's name on the back side, and to bring them to the Court sealed, with an open roll of the names of the freemen that so send them.'

"But, though corn and beans were sufficient to elect an assistant, for governor, deputy-governor, major-general, treasurer, secretary, and commissioners of the United Colonies, it was required that the freemen should make use of written ballots" (pp. 239–241).

HISTORY OF MILFORD.

PART I.

CHAPTER I.

MATTERS OF INTRODUCTORY INTEREST.

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NAME AND ABORIGINAL OWNERSHIP.

THE English-speaking people seem to have a remarkable partiality for the name Milford. Lippincott's Gazetteer describes no less than forty-three towns, post-villages, and other places in this country, called Milford, besides six in England. Doubtless the family will continue to multiply, since enterprise and prosperity have generally accompanied the name.

Our Milford covers a territorial area of over nineteen square miles, or 12,170 acres by exact measurement. It is comparatively a small

section of what, two centuries ago, was called "the Nipmuck country," because owned aboriginally and inhabited by several clans, or hordes, of Indians bearing the general designation of Nipmuck, *alias* Netmooke, *alias* Nipnet, etc. I shall speak of them as the Nipmuck Indians. Their country extended westward from within a few miles of Boston to Connecticut River, and northward from Rhode Island and Connecticut into New Hampshire. It included, with large portions of Middlesex and Norfolk Counties, the whole of Worcester County. It lapped over considerably into Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Hampshire. When the vicinity of Boston began to be settled on lands purchased of the Massachusetts tribe, the Nipmucks are said to have been governed by one squaw sachem, whose regal home was near Wachusett Mountain; but the tribe soon broke into four or five clans, or hordes, with each a sachem almost independent of the others. The consequence was, that some of these hordes became partially tributary to the more powerful neighboring chiefs, such as those of the Massachusetts, Pokanokets, Narragansetts, Mohegans, etc.

Our Puritan forefathers soon began to spy out the Nipmuck country; and, as fresh cargoes of immigrants filled up their young towns, they coveted new possessions. They saw goodly lands stretching out westwardly before them, sparsely inhabited by a people whose sachems were ready to sell them on moderate terms, with only the reserved right to hunt and fish on them in common with the whites. They became ambitious to Christianize, both the wilderness and its heathen inhabitants, — the soil for their own possession, and the savages for the sake of their eternal salvation. But, as usual, their own temporal interests predominated. It can, however, be justly said, that in most cases they dealt with the Indians rather equitably, at least in respect to the purchase of land; for, while the royal charters gave them broad grants of general sovereignty, they were enjoined not to override the acknowledged rights of the natives to ownership in the soil. Both civil law and religion required them to extinguish the Indian title by fair purchase before assuming actual proprietorship; and though they undoubtedly made shrewd bargains, to their own great advantage, they appear to have paid the Indians fairly according to agreement, and sometimes a liberal surplusage to keep on good terms with them. The purchase prices they paid for specified tracts of soil were, indeed, comparatively small, but were really larger than they seem, as the nominal money of those days must have been at least six times more valuable than in ours, and all improvements had to be made by the hard struggles of the purchasers.

The work of Christianizing the children of the forest went on for a time with considerable apparent success, under the apostleship, mainly, of the celebrated John Eliot. His zeal and devotion seem almost incredible through a long ministry; and our Nipmuck country was the principal theatre of his achievements. He mastered the Indian language, translated the whole Bible into it, established fourteen towns of "praying Indians" within the then jurisdiction of Massachusetts, numbering at least eleven hundred souls, and wore himself out in manifold exertions for their civilization. His labors commenced, after much preparation of study, on the 28th October, 1646, in the forty-second year of his age, and ended with his life, May 20, 1690, at the age of eighty-six. But the great war of 1675, renowned as King Philip's, fatally blasted his missionary enterprise. The majority of his converted Nipmucks apostatized, joined Philip, and perished. Those who remained faithful were so suspected and ill-treated by the Provincial authorities during the war, that what little Christianity had been worked into them was almost driven out. Only a beggarly remnant at Natick and a few other Indian settlements were under the apostle's watch-care in his old age. Their history is one of sad decay and extinction. I refrain from details, and have given this brief outline, merely as a necessary introduction to the leading facts of purchase and settlement, which are indispensable to a proper understanding of our own local history. In all the old deeds of the Nipmuck sachems throughout this general region, there is seen a strange jargon of Indian and Christian names, which can only be explained on the ground that a part of them, if not all, had become so-called "praying Indians."

ORIGIN OF QUINSHIPAUG PLANTATION.

Next in order comes the origin of Quinshipaug Plantation, *alias* Mendham, *alias* Mendon, whereof Milford was an integral portion. It seems that the project of starting this plantation originated among the enterprising people of Braintree and Weymouth. They began to be crowded with a continually increasing population, and aspired to colonize on the Nipmuck lands farther west. Dedham and Sherborn people had already purchased, and commenced settlements on, the general territory bounding westwardly nearly with the present lines of Holliston, Medway, and Bellingham. They must, therefore, find a tract still farther to the west, and must also have the sanction of the General Court to all their proceedings. Here I will present certain documents, which I have been permitted to copy from historical collections carefully made by Dr. John G. Metcalf, preparatory

to his History of Mendon. All matter furnished me by Dr. M., from his manuscript "Annals," has his initials, J. G. M., attached, and is enclosed in brackets, [ ]. Some years after this chapter was written, Dr. Metcalf's history was published, entitled "Annals of the Town of Mendon." If any verbal differences appear between my extracts and his printed matter, they result from his revision of his original manuscript in passing it through the press.

[At the second session of this Court, held at Boston, May 28, 1659, the first record relating to the settlement of Mendon is found, and in the following words: —

"In answer to the petition of Braintree, humbly desiring some relief relating to several persons brought in by the owners of the Iron works, that are likely to be chargeable to them, especially in relation to John Frauncis, his poor condition calling for present relief, &c., this Court refers this part of their petition to the next County Court in Suffolk, where all parties concerned may have liberty to present their respective plans and evidence: *and in reference to their desire of a new plantation, the Court judgeth it meet to grant them liberty to seek out a place and present their desires, with the names of such persons as will engage to carry on such a work, unto the next sessions of this Court.*"

This answer was made at an adjourned session of the General Court, held at Boston, May 28, 1659, John Endicott being Governor.

At the same session, —

"In answer to the petition of Samuel Basse, the town of Braintree having petitioned for a new plantation, it is ordered, that the petitioner with his sons may have liberty to join with those of his neighbors which will carry on such a work, with allowance of one hundred and fifty acres within the bounds of the said plantation, more than his just proportion with the rest of his neighbors."

We hear nothing more of the petition "of the town of Braintree;" but at an adjourned session of the General Court, held in Boston, Oct. 16, 1660, we find a petition from "such persons as will engage to carry on such a work," and to which the General Court made the following response: —

"In answer to the petition of the inhabitants of Braintree, i.e, Gregory Belcher, James Penneman, Thomas Mekins, Moses Payne, Edmond Quinsey, Robert Twelves, and Peter Brackett; the Court judgeth it meet, to encourage the petitioners to proceed in their settling themselves and an able minister with them, in the place desired for a new plantation within their time limited: and that those that begin the said plantation may not want due encouragement in their accommodation, and yet the place preserved from unnecessary waste, it is ordered, that Capt. Daniel Gookin of Cambridge, Mr. William Parkes of Roxbury, Lieut. Roger Clap of Dorchester, Ephraim Child of

Watertown, and William Stiltson of Charlestown, or any three of them, shall be and hereby are appointed a committee, and hereby impowered to appoint unto each inhabitant there, any time within these three years, as they shall see meet, and that when a full number of persons appear, this Court will, on the Committee's information, order them due bounds. In further answer to said Braintree petition, the Court declares, that they judge meet to grant a plantation of Eight miles square, and that the persons named have liberty to enter thereupon and make a beginning thereof, and to take such persons into their society as they shall judge meet, and that Major Humphrey Atherton, and Lieut. Roger Clap of Dorchester, Capt. Eliezer Lusher of Dedham and Deacon Parkes of Roxbury, or any three of them, shall, and hereby are appointed Commissioners, and impowered to make a valid act thereof."

Peter Brackett, one of the petitioners, was a member of the General Court, for this year (1660), from Braintree, as deputy.

So far as is known, the committees above mentioned held no meeting, and nothing was done, except the purchase of the "eight miles square" of the Indians, until May 5, 1662, when the committee last above mentioned met at Dorchester, and took order in regard to the settlement of the plantation "granted at Netmooke," as follows: —

"Dorchester 22: 5: '62, —

"We whose names are hereunto subscribed, being the Committee impowered by the General Court to assist the ordering and settling the plantation granted at Netmooke, do agree and declare therein as followeth, viz.:

"1. That the Divisions of land there, shall be by these ensuing Rules: that to One hundred pounds Estate be granted one hundred and fifty acres of land: viz , Thirty acres to the House Lot, and Ten acres of Meadow and Five acres of Swampy or low land, being capable of being made Meadow, and more, one hundred and fifty acres for the Great Lot; and according to this proportion for all Estates be they more or less, and this to be the Rule for the Division of all the lands of the Plantation that shall be divided before the place, or the people there, shall be allowed to be a Township and enjoy the privileges thereof.

"2. That the public charges already disbursed, or that shall be disbursed before the time of Town privileges aforesaid, shall be borne and defrayed according to proportion of Allottments as before said.

"3. The persons whose names are presented being (as we understand) of honest and good report, are accepted, and allowed to take up Allottments in said Plantation.

"4. That it shall not be in the liberty or power of an Inhabitant now accepted, or hereafter to be accepted, before the time of privileges aforesaid, to sell or lease or alienate his said Allottment or any part or parcel thereof to any person whatsoever, without the consent or approbation of the major part of the Inhabitants, or of those then chosen to regulate the affairs of the Plantation, upon penalty of forfeiting to the said Plantation all and every part and parcel so sold or alienated.

"5. There shall be an Able and approved Minister settled with them there, according to the order of Court in that case provided.

"6. That, whereas experience shows it not to be the best expedient for Transaction of public work, to be left to the whole Number of Inhabitants, we therefore advise that the said Inhabitants now accepted should, in their first opportunity, make choice of 5 or 7 meet persons for the management of their said occasions for the space of one year, and that Mr. Peter Brackett and Ensign Moses Paine be two of them, and the men so chosen should have the whole power of accepting Inhabitants and disposing Land, according to the Rules above written.

"7. And whereas it appears that the said Mr. Brackett and Mr. Paine, hath already taken much pains and been at charges to promote this Plantation, and, we suppose, must yet continue their assistance therein, we Judge but just and equal, that each of them be gratified with convenient Farms of upland and meadow, proportionable to the quantities of Each in the Plantation, to be laid out to them at convenient distance from the seat of the Town, that is, not less than two miles, and in such places as they shall accept, and that the quantity of these be not above 300 acres to each of them.

"8. It is also agreed further, and ordered that each of the persons now accepted to Allottments there, and all others that shall be so accepted before the time of obtaining Town privileges, shall be settled at the said Plantation before the end of the seventh month 1663, with their persons and estates.

"The names of the persons now accepted are as followeth, viz.:

John Moore,
George Aldridge,
Nathaniel Hareman,
Alexander Plumbly,
Mathias Puffer,
John Woodland,
Fardinando Teare [Thayer],
Daniel Lovett,
John Harbor,
Josiah Chapin,
Joseph Peniemen [Penniman],
John Savill,
John Gurney.
These are of Braintree.

Goodman King, senior,
Walter Cook,
William Holbrook,
Joseph White,
Goodman Thompson,
Goodman Raynes,
Goodman Botter, Senior,
Abraham Staples,
Samuel Pratt,
Thomas Botter.
These are of Weymouth.

"Subscribed by us,
ELIZR. LUSHER,
ROGER CLAP,
WILLIAM PARKE.

WILLIAM SABLES.

WILLIAM HOLBROOK,
JOSIAH CHAPIN,
JOHN RAYNES,
JOHN HARBOR.
} These are chosen for this year."

FIRST PURCHASE OF INDIAN TERRITORY.

As the preliminaries to a settlement were now well advanced, and as the plantation had no corporate authority, it is supposed that the Indian deed was made to Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, with the understanding that the title thereby acquired should be assigned to the town after its incorporation, and which assignment, we shall see, was made by Messrs. Payne and Brackett to the town May 12, 1670.

The deed given to Messrs. Payne and Brackett reads as follows: viz., —

INDIAN DEED.

To All Christian people to whom these presents shall come, Annawassamauke, *alias*, John, and Quashaamit, *alias*, William of Blue Hills, and Great John Namsconont, *alias*, Peter, and Upanbohqueen, *alias*, Jacob of Natick, Sendeth Greeting, Know ye, that the said Annawassamauke, Quashaamit, Great John Namsconont, and Upanbohqueen, for divers good and valuable considerations them there unto moving, and especially, for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty four Pounds Sterling to them in hand paid by Moses Payne and Peter Brackett both of Braintree, the receipt whereof we do acknowledge by these presents, and thereof, and of every part and parcel thereof, doth exonerate, acquit and discharge them, the said Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, their heirs and Assigns forever by these presents, Hath given, granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed and confirmed, unto Moses Payne and Peter Brackett of Braintree aforesaid, their heirs and assigns forever, A Tract of Lands of Eight Miles Square, lying about fifteen miles from Medfield; and is bounded one Mile to the East of a small River which lieth about three Miles to the Eastward of Nipmug Great Pond, and so from the line of one mile on the East of that small River, is to run Eight Miles West, or westerly, and is to lie three miles to the South or Southward of the Path that leads to Nipmug Great Pond, and five Miles on the other side of that path, north, or northwards, together with all the trees and timber, woods and underwoods, standing, lying, and growing thereon, with all the Meadows Swamps, Rivers, Ponds and Brooks, lying within the Eight Miles square, with all the privileges and appurtenances belonging, or any ways appertaining thereunto. To Have and To Hold the said Eight Miles square as it is bounded, together with all the Trees, and Timber, with underwoods standing, lying and growing thereon, with all the Meadows, Swamps, Rivers and Ponds, and Brooks lying within this Eight Miles square, as it is bounded, with all other privileges and appurtenances belonging or any ways appertaining thereunto, unto the said Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, their heirs and assigns forever, and to their only proper use and behoof of them the said Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, their Heirs and Assigns forever, to be holden in free Socage, and not in capite, nor by Knights Service.[1]

And the said Annawassamauke, *alias*, John, and Quashaamitt, *alias*, William, Great John Namsconont, *alias* Peter, and Upanabohqueen, *alias* Jacob,

[1] Corrected according to Suffolk Record.

doth promise and grant by these presents, that they the said Annawassamauke, Quashaamitt, Great John Namsconont and Uppanabohqueen, are the true and proper owners and proprietors of the said bargained premises at the time of the bargain and sale thereof, and that the said premises are free and clear, and freely and clearly acquitted, exonerated and discharged of, for and from all, and all manner of former bargains, sales, gifts, grants, titles-mortgages, actions, Suits, arrests, attachments, Judgements, executions, extents or incumbrances whatsoever, from the beginning of the World, until the time of the sale and bargain thereof.

And the said Annawassamauk, Quashaamit, Great John Namsconont and Upanabohqueen doth covenant, promise and grant by these presents, all and singular the said bargained premises, with the appurtenances, to warrant and defend unto the said Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, their heirs and assigns forever, against all Indians or English people, by, for or under them claiming any right, title or interest of, or unto the same, or any part thereof, forever by these presents.

And that it shall and may be lawful to, and for the said Moses Payne and Peter Brackett to Record and Enroll, or cause to be recorded and enrolled, the title and tenor of these presents, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and according to the usual order and manner of Recording Deeds and Evidences, in such cases made and provided.

In witness whereof, the said Annawassamauk, Quashaamit, Great John, Namsconont, and Upanabohqueen have set to, their hands and Seals, this twenty two of April, One thousand six hundred and sixty two.

The words "by, from or under them" in the sixth line, as also, that the Indians specified in this deed, together with their heirs forever, have liberty to fish, fowl, and hunt, so far as any law of this Jurisdiction alloweth in other places, notwithstanding any thing in this Deed. This was before the Ensealing hereof.

Signed, Sealed and delivered, the day and year above written, in the presence of us.
JOHN ELLIOTT, Senior.
JOHN ELLIOTT, Junior.
DANIEL WELD, Senior.

ANAWASSAMAUKE	his 3. mark	[L.S.]
QUASHAAMITT	his × mark	[L.S]
NAMSCONONT	his S mark	[L.S.]
(No hand.)		[L.S.]

Great John set to his hand and seal and delivered the Deed to Moses Payne and Peter Brackett, this eighth day of September 1662.

As Witnesses,
WILLIAM ALLIS,
NATHANIEL BRACKETT.

We Moses Payne and Peter Brackett do assign over all our right, title and interest in this Deed, unto the Selectmen of the Town of Mendon, for the use of said Town, as witness our hands,

PETER BRACKETT,
MOSES PAYNE.

MAY y^e 12, 1670.

The above is believed to be a true copy of the original deed as it is entered in the first volume of the town records of the town of Mendon by the person who was especially deputed by the committee to enter the "public acts from the beginning of the plantation," and was transcribed as early as 1667. The original was probably lost at the destruction of the town during King Philip's war in 1675.[1]

SETTLEMENT, INCORPORATION, AND DESOLATION.

Of what transpired from this period until the incorporation of the plantation as a town in 1667, we know but little, as no record was left by those who were set apart to look after the prudential affairs of the place, or, if kept, was long since lost. As the power of admitting persons to the rights of citizenship had been surrendered to the people by the committee, it is presumed that they, or those to whom they had delegated the power, admitted such persons to their company as in their discretion they saw fit.

The pioneer settlers of this place, we must remember, held the farthest outpost of civilization in this direction. They were surrounded by Indians, who were daily jealous of the encroachments of a race, who, since the landing at Plymouth, had taken no step backward. They were in the midst of a wilderness, and fifteen miles from succor in case of distress or disaster. Considering the circumstances of their case, we can readily suppose that most of their time must have been occupied in providing themselves with suitable shelter, and in planting and gathering the crops upon which they mainly depended for a supply of food.

1667. The last act of the Committee for "Nipmug" is recorded in the following words: —

"We the Subscribers do nominate and depute Colonel William Crowne to Enter the public Acts respecting Mendon from the beginning of the Plantation to this time, and to finish his work with speed, and make return to us under named,

"The Committee Respecting the Prudential affairs of Mendon.

ELIEZER LUSHER,
WILLIAM STOUGHTON,
WILLIAM PARKE.

DEDHAM, 2: 2: '67."

Major Humphrey Atherton, originally appointed one of this Committee, having died at Dorchester, Sept. 16, 1661, in consequence of a fall from a horse, William Stoughton of Dorchester was appointed in his stead.

[1] Compared with the deed recorded B. 6, pp. 288, 289, in Suffolk Reg., 7, there is one trifling difference. Instead of the words "to be holden in fee sockage and in capite," the Suffolk version reads, "to be holden in *free* sockage, and *not* in Capite nor by Knight's Service."

1667, July 1st. — At a Town Meeting held this day, it was voted to make a Division of the Meadows, and goodman White and goodman Cook and goodman Harbor and goodman Puffer were joined with the Selectmen for that purpose. The names of those who shared in this Division of the Meadows were,

1. William Crowne.
2. Benjamin Albee.
3. Ferdinand Thayer.
4. John Rockwood.
5. Thomas Barnes.
6. John Gurney.
7. Mathias Puffer.
8. John Harbor.
9. John Thompson.
10. Joseph White.
11. John Jepson.
12. Abraham Staples.
13. Peter Brackett.
14. George Aldrich.
15. Daniel Lovett.
16. John Moore.
17. Samuel Read.
18. Joseph Juell.
19. Thomas Juell.
20. The School.
21. The Glebe.

July 14, 1667. — Granted to Col. William Crown and to his assigns, and the present Minister, their shares of Meadow, in that which is called the Rock Meadow.

The first record of the proceedings of the town after its incorporation is preceded by the following preamble : —

"The Honored General Court was pleased to make this Plantation a Town, the 15th day of May 1667, and named it Mendon, and adorned it with several large Privileges, and confirmed their line and the lands within the bounds thereof, to the present Inhabitants and their Successors, as by the said Court's Act doth appear, which land was purchased of the Indians, as by their Deed will appear.

"In this Book is set down the Transactions of the Town since they had their Privileges, being a Day Book for this year '67 and so on yearly.

"The Freemen and the rest of the Inhabitants met, and June 7th, '67, then did choose for their Selectmen, Col. William Crown, Goodman Benjamin Albee, Ferdinand Thayer, Daniel Lovett and John Thompson, Senior, and Col. Crown, Register." — J. G. M.]

Dr. Metcalf continues his transcription of the Mendon records with minute fidelity, in the form of annals ; and my copyist, Mr. Alexander H. Allen, furnished me very ample materials for a detailed history of the infant settlement. Many interesting particulars are given of the acts and proceedings of the town, the proprietors, the selectmen, etc., respecting roads, settlement of a minister, erection of a meeting-house, building of a parsonage, etc. These curious particulars, however, belong more properly to the history of Mendon, for which Dr. Metcalf has made careful and ample preparation, and are in little danger of falling into oblivion. I shall, therefore, select from the materials before me only such as seem to have some necessary relation to our own town history, expecting that the whole will soon be published in their complete order ; (now in print).

We have arrived at the date of June 7, 1667. It has been shown how the plantation at "Netmook," first called Quinshipaug, then Mendham, and finally Mendon, originated; how the eight miles square of its territory was acquired of the Indian sachems; how the General Court ordered the incipient affairs of its settlement; and how it became an incorporated township May 15, 1667. The difficulties, hardships, and successes of the pioneers in this important enterprise down to the act of incorporation can hardly be imagined; but a terrible calamity, King Philip's war, in 1675, almost swept their thriving settlement out of existence. King Philip enlisted nearly all the Nipmuck Indians, as well as the more powerful neighboring tribes, into his warlike alliance. The speedy result was six actual murders of the Mendon settlers, the flight of all their survivors to the seacoast towns, and finally, in February, 1676, the burning of every dwelling-house. Their first meeting-house, and nearly or quite all their out-buildings, shared the general devastation. With comparatively slight exceptions, they lost the fruits of twelve years' progress from their wilderness beginning.

I cannot ascertain, that, down to the period of this dreadful calamity, a single dwelling-house had been built within our present town limits. There is, however, some reason to believe that Benjamin Alby (Albee) had erected his famous first "corn-mill" at the Lewis B. Gaskill place, and made himself a home near by on the now Mendon side of the road, not far from Willis Gould's residence. If so, the probability is that his house and mill were burnt by the savages.

When the war ended by the overthrow of King Philip and a sweeping destruction of his confederates, the Mendon fugitives began to return, but in a poverty-stricken condition, and with a deep-seated dread of the savages that lingered in reduced numbers about the general neighborhood. Not more than half the original settlers returned; but the heirs and assigns of the others, with new adventurers, soon joined the old proprietors, so that the year 1680 witnessed a promising resumption of lands and corporate privileges.

Here it may be proper to present an authentic list of persons, heads of families mostly, to whom lands had been granted before the war. I quote from Dr. Metcalf.

[At the breaking out of Philip's war, the following persons are all to whom the Town had granted land: —

Col. William Crown, Benjamin Albee, Ferdinand Thayer, John Rockwood, Thomas Barnes, John Gurney, Mathias Puffer, John Harbor, Walter Cook, Peter Brackett, Joseph Aldrich, Daniel Lovett, George Aldrich, John More, Samuel Read, Joseph Juell, Thomas Juell, Samuel Spenser, John Thompson,

sen., Joseph White, John Jepson, Abraham Staples, John Woodland, Samuel Hayward, John Parris, Job Tyler, Deacon Hide, Job Hide, Gregory Cook, Steven Cook, sen., Joseph Stevens, John Aldrich, Hope Tyler, John Sprague, William Holbrook, Mrs. Tappinge, Joseph Emerson, John Bartlett, James Albee, Simon Peck, John Raynes, The Ministry and The School. — J. G. M.]

"THE NORTH PURCHASE."

Passing in silence over numerous transactions of the re-organized Mendon authorities for several years, we come at length to one of special interest to our inhabitants. I allude to a new acquisition of lands from the Indians, comprising three square miles, more or less, of our present territory. This acquisition has always been designated "The North Purchase." It was made by a committee of Mendon, and consummated by a deed from the heirs of the old Natick sachem, John Awasamog, *alias* Awasamauke, who, I presume, was a leading grantor of the original Quinshepaug purchase, — the eight miles square. The deed bears date Feb. 19, 1691–2.

A COPY FROM MENDON RECORDS.

To all Christian People to whom these Presents may come: —

Know ye, that John Awasamog and Amos Awasamog and Peter Ephraim, Heirs to John Awasamog, late of Natick, deceased, for good and valuable consideration, them thereunto moving, and especially for and in consideration of the sum of Three pounds Sterling Money to them in hand paid, by Ferdinando Thayer, Joseph White, Senior, Josiah Chapin, Abraham Staples, Senior, Samuel Hayward, James Lovett and Samuel Read, Senior, Committee for the Town of Mendon, in the County of Suffolk, in the Colony of Massachusetts, in New England, the receipt whereof they do acknowledge themselves by these Presents, and thereof every part and parcel thereof, doth exhonorate, acquit, and discharge, the said Ferdinando Thayer, Joseph White, Josiah Chapin, Abraham Staples, Samuel Hayward, James Lovett, and Samuel Read, their Heirs and Assigns forever, by these Presents, have given, granted, bargained and sold, enfeoffed and confirmed, and do by these Presents, give, grant, bargain, sell, enfeoff, and confirm unto Ferdinando Thayer, Joseph White, Josiah Chapin, Abraham Staples, Samuel Hayward and James Lovett of Mendon aforesaid, their Heirs and Assigns forever, A certain tract of land laying upon the North side of the Township of Mendon, butted and bounded, as followeth: Southerly upon Mendon line, and Easterly upon Sherburne line to the height of Maspenock Pond, and northerly upon a line of marked trees until it comes to Maspenock Pond, westerly, partly upon the above said Maspenock Pond, and partly upon a River commonly known by Mendon Mill River, home to Mendon line aforesaid, with all the Trees, Timber woods and underwoods standing, laying and growing thereon, with all the Meadows, swamps, watercourses, ponds and brooks laying within

the said tract of land as it is bounded, with all the other privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or anyways appertaining thereunto, together with a full and free confirmation of all lands formerly sold by John Awasamog, father of the abovesaid Awasamogs, late of Natick, deceased, to the Town of Mendon aforesaid, as it is butted and bounded in the Deed, and confirmed by the General Court. To Have and To Hold the said Tract of land as it is bounded, together with all the Trees, Timber, woods and underwoods, standing, laying and growing thereon, with all the Swamps, Meadows, Brooks, watercourses within the said Tract of land, with all other privileges and appurtenances, anyways appertaining or belonging thereunto, unto Fardinando Thayer, Joseph White, Josiah Chapin, Abraham Staples, Samuel Hayward, James Lovett and Samuel Read, to them their Heirs and Assigns forever, to the only proper use and behoof of them, the said Thayer, White, Chapin, Staples, Hayward, Lovett and Read, their Heirs and Assigns forever.

The said John and Amos Awasamog and Peter Ephraim doth covenant and promise and grant, by these Presents, that the said Awasamogs and Peter Ephraim, are the proper owners of the said tract of land, that they are free from all manner of bargains, sales, gifts, grants, titles, mortgages, actions, suits, arrests, attachments, Judgements, executions, extents, incumbrances whatsoever, from the beginning of the World, until the time of the Sale and bargain thereof. And the said Awasamogs and Peter Ephraim doth covenant, promise and grant by these Presents, all and singular, the bargained Premises with all the appurtenances, to warrant, acquit and defend unto the said Thayer, White, Chapin, Staples, Hayward, Lovett and Read, their Heirs and Assigns forever, against all Indians, or any other persons, whatsoever, from, by or under them, claiming any right, title or interest of or unto the same, or any part thereof, by these Presents, and that it shall, and may be lawful, for the said Thayer, White, Chapin, Staples, Hayward, Lovett and Read, their Heirs and Assigns, to record and enroll, or cause to be recorded and enrolled, the Title and Tenor of these Presents, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and according to the usual order and manner of recording Deeds and Evidences in such case made and provided, and to acknowledge the same before legal authority when called thereunto. In witness whereof, the said John Awasamog, Amos Awasamog, and Peter Ephraim set to, their hands and seals, this Nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Sixteen hundred Ninety and one, or two, and in the third year of the Reign of our Sovereigns, William and Mary, King and Queen of England, &c.

Signed, Sealed and delivered, and possession given in presence of us.

JOSEPH WHITE, JR.
SAMUEL READ, JR.

JOHN AWASAMOG his Æ mark.
AMOS AWASAMOG his Œ mark.
PETER EPHRAIM his P. E. mark.

REMARKS ON INDIAN NAMES.

Hayward's Gazetteers of New England and Massachusetts, followed by Nason's Massachusetts Gazetteer, and perhaps other works, say that the Indian name of our Milford was *Wapowage*. As I had re-echoed the same statement, on what I supposed sufficient authority, I set on foot an inquiry into the meaning of the name *Wapowage*. It was referred to J. Hammond Trumbull, Esq., of Hartford, Conn., a very eminent *savant* in Indian lore. He soon informed me, — not what the name signified, but that it was the Indian name of Milford, Conn., never of our Milford, and that the latter had no distinctive name apart from old Mendon, — the original eight miles square, — which was *Quinshipaug*. Thus my error, copied from the Gazetteers, stands corrected, and the Connecticut Milfordians are left in clear possession of the name *Wapowage*, whose signification they may ascertain at their leisure.

As to *Quinshipaug*, Mr. Trumbull says its literal signification is "Pickerel Pond," by which, I suppose, the Indians meant a tract of territory whose ponds and other waters abounded with fine pickerel. From what I have seen and heard the name is truthfully appropriate. Maspenock, *alias* North Pond, Nipmuck Pond, and the smaller ponds, both natural and artificial, throughout ancient *Quinshipaug*, have always bred pickerel rapidly, and of the best quality. Even now, though overdrawn and much exhausted by excessive fishing, they vindicate the good judgment of the aborigines. If, however, any of us deem "Pickerel Pond" a name wanting in dignity, we must either forget or make the best of it.

CHAPTER II.

SITUATION, TOPOGRAPHY, SOIL, AND PRODUCTIONS.

Situation, Topography, and Geology. — Situation, Boundaries, Size, Distance from the Seacoast, etc. — Mr. Almon Thwing's Report on Certain Features of our Topography, and Altitude at Various Points; giving Interesting Facts relating to our Rivers, Hills, and Other Particulars. — My Amplification of the Same Topics. — Geological Formation and Peculiarities of our Soil.

Vegetation and Animality. — Forest State Two Hundred and Fifty Years Ago. — Native Trees and Woods; Herbage and Grasses. — The Natural Meadows, how formed; their Extent and Production Greater and More Valuable than Now. — How they were esteemed and shared by the First Settlers. — The Aboriginal Animals, Beasts, Birds, Fish, and Reptiles. — How the Most Dangerous, as well as some Harmless and Useful Ones, have been exterminated. — About the Rattlesnakes, etc. — Contrast of Then and Now.

Indian Relics and Names. — Not Many Relics. — Indian Inhabitancy: its Probable Transient Nature. — Their Departure, etc. — Only Two of their Names survive, Maspenock and Magomiscock — Meaning of these Names. — Probable Indian Name of Bear Hill. — Reference to *Wapowage*. — Meaning of *Nipmuck*. — Conclusion.

SITUATION, TOPOGRAPHY, AND GEOLOGY.

MILFORD is situated in about 42° 8′ north latitude, and 71° 9′ west longitude, from Greenwich. It is bounded north by Hopkinton; east by Holliston, Medway, and Bellingham; south, south-west, and west by Mendon; and north-west by Upton. As before stated, it has an area of over nineteen square miles, or about 12,170 acres; being about six miles in length, with an average breadth of a little over three miles. It lies in the south-easterly part of Worcester County, skirting on Middlesex and Norfolk Counties. Its nearest approach to the sea-coast is in the direction of Providence, R.I., a distance of twenty-two to twenty-five miles on a slightly south-east right line. From Massachusetts Bay at Boston, in a north-easterly direction, its distance is not far from thirty air-line miles. From its county-seat at Worcester, it lies south-east about eighteen miles.

In respect to its topography, and altitude above the level of the ocean, I engaged Mr. Almon Thwing of Hopedale to make examination and measurements, which would enable me to place on record numerous interesting particulars worthy of transmission to after-times, as well as gratifying to the curiosity of the present generation. He made the following

REPORT.

The undersigned, having been engaged by Mr. Ballou, the town historian, to examine and report to him certain particulars of the topography of Milford and its altitude at various points, has done so with care and precision. I submit the following statements as substantially accurate and reliable: to wit,—

There are two small rivers that run through the town in a southerly direction, almost parallel to each other, dividing it into three nearly equal parts. Charles River, the easterly stream, rises in a large highland swamp near Hopkinton line, about one-third of a mile east of where Haven Street crosses said line, and is there four hundred and thirty-two feet above tide-water. Running in its general southerly direction, with considerable descent to the mill-privilege at Wild Cat, so called, it there receives an important confluent stream known as Deer Brook. Some have contended that Deer Brook ought to be regarded as more properly Charles River; but old deeds, maps, and outline drawings of the town, show conclusively that the one I am describing is the real Charles. Deer Brook rises in Hopkinton, on the easterly side of Hayden Row Street, perhaps a mile south-easterly of the town centre; crosses said street half a mile or more north of Hayden Row schoolhouse; and thence pursues its way, a little west of said street, into the extreme north-east corner of Milford, through what was formerly the north-west corner of Holliston, to its junction with the Charles at Wild-Cat. Thence the Charles passes on through Cedar-Swamp Pond to the falls at Milford Centre; and thence to Bellingham, at the south-east corner of our town. There are but two mill-seats occupied on the Charles within our limits, — that at Wild Cat, for sawing; and that of Aaron Claflin, in the Centre, for grinding grain. Where the Charles leaves Milford, it is three hundred and seven feet nine inches above tide-water, — our lowest level. Thence it passes on through Bellingham, Medway, Medfield, Dover, Sherborn, and Needham, to Dedham. There it divides into two branches, — one running northerly through various towns into Charlestown Harbor, and the other through Dedham and Dorchester into the Bay.

Mill River rises in North Pond, — only a fraction of which is in Milford, — and forms its outlet. At that point, it is four hundred and fifty-two feet and nine inches above tide-water. Running in a southerly direction, it falls one hundred and thirty-six feet nine inches before leaving town. At that, point it is three hundred and sixteen feet above tide-water, being eight feet three inches higher than the Charles where it leaves our limits. I make the fall of Mill River within our borders considerably less than some formerly estimated it; that is, one hundred and four feet three inches less than heretofore given by guess-work. Mill River affords eleven mill-seats of greater or less power, six of which are occupied. Its first three seats have thirty-three feet fall, and are unoccupied. The fourth is occupied by Fisk's grist and saw mills, having eleven feet fall. The fifth, with six feet fall, at the "City" so called, is idle. The sixth is occupied by Hopedale Machine Company, with twelve feet fall. The seventh is occupied by

Dutcher Temple Company; fall, sixteen feet. The eighth runs Samuel Walker's grist-mill, etc., with nine feet fall. The ninth runs the works at Spindleville, latterly so called, with a fall of eleven feet. The remaining two have about thirteen feet fall, and are unoccupied. Thus about twenty-five feet fall is absorbed by ponds and slack-water. Mill River pursues a southerly course through Mendon, Blackstone, and Woonsocket, R.I.; and thence therewith to tide-water at Pawtucket and Providence. I find, after considerable pains to ascertain, that tide-water at Boston and Providence has almost the same level, with only the slight geographical difference, and that my several measurements are thereby confirmed.

I find that the drainage of the "Great Meadow," once famous on our records, which lies northerly and north-easterly of Bear Hill, leaves town in a small streamlet called Stall Brook, and runs through Medway and Bellingham into Charles River. I was somewhat surprised to learn, by critical examination, that a little run of water seems to start from the immediate skirts of Cedar-Swamp Pond, just this side of the hither corner of Pine-Grove Cemetery, and creeps along east of the Catholic Cemetery, southerly across East Main Street; then under the railroad near Medway Street; thence easterly across Birch Street, down through what must once have been a pond of considerable size; and thence through the narrows into Medway, under the name aforesaid. I found the water in Cedar-Swamp Pond three feet higher than where this brooklet runs under the railroad, where it was two feet higher than at the crossing of Birch Street, and there three feet higher than at the narrows below Medway line; in all, a fall of nearly eight feet from Cedar-Swamp Pond to said narrows. Thus a dam at the narrows of five feet high would flow the "Great Meadow," and all its numerous coves, back to the railroad. The natural formation of the land between Pine-Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery, and the land where Charles River crosses Main Street at Claflin's Mill, is so nearly level, that, in all probability, a part of the water from Cedar-Swamp Pond, long ago, must have run off through the "Great Meadow," in the course I have described. In fact, a slight portion of it does so run now. And when the further fact is considered, that the now cultivatable lowlands adjacent to that ancient meadow, in large quantity, are only a few feet above the brooklet described (all the way from two to ten), we can well understand that the *Great Meadow* was a prize worth contending for by the first settlers of Mendon and Sherborn.

The several heights of land and positions in Milford I found, by careful levelling, to be as follows: At the Boston and Albany branch railroad depot, the level was long ago settled to be three hundred and thirty feet above tide-water. Main Street, at the head of Central Street, is fifty-six feet nine inches above the depot, or three hundred and eighty-six feet nine inches above tide-water. Congress Street, at the top of Silver Hill, is two hundred feet above Main Street, at the head of Central, or five hundred and eighty-six feet nine inches above tide-water. Tunnel Hill, near Haven Street, at Hopkinton line, is thirty feet above the point on Silver Hill last noted, or six hundred and sixteen feet nine inches above tide-water. The highest

point of land in town is on Highland Street, near Reuel Cleveland's house. This is two hundred and fifty-one feet nine inches above Main Street, at the head of Central, or six hundred and thirty-seven feet nine inches above tide-water. Thus the average altitude of Milford, computing it from the extremes, — three hundred and eight feet at the outgo of Charles River, and the aforesaid six hundred and thirty-seven feet nine inches near Reuel Cleveland's, — is about four hundred and seventy-two feet above sea-level.

Going from the head of Central Street on Main Street, towards Mendon, I found the following levels: At Greene Street, near the brook, the ground is eighteen feet below the head of Central; on the top of the hill, near the Adams place, it is thirty-five feet higher than at the head of Central Street; at the crossing of Hopedale Street, it is forty feet below the head of Central Street; and on the hill, at Mendon line, it is one hundred and twenty-two feet above Hopedale-street crossing, or four hundred and seventy feet above tide-water. The hill on the old road to Mendon, up west of the "salt-box" so called, is two hundred and thirteen feet above said Hopedale-street crossing, one hundred and eighty-six feet above the head of Central Street, and five hundred and seventy-two feet above tide-water, being the highest land in the extreme westerly part of the town. Hopedale Street, opposite my house, is thirty-seven feet two inches lower than Main Street at the head of Central; and, at the junction with Adin Street, it is thirty-five feet five inches lower than said head of Central Street.

Proceeding easterly from Milford Centre, I found the peaks, ridges, hollows, and adjacencies of Bear Hill to measure as follows: The highest peak (which is south of Central Street, and near Charles River) is two hundred and two feet above the depot, and five hundred and thirty-two feet above the sea-level; the highest ground on Central Street, which passes over Bear Hill, is one hundred and eighty feet above the depot-level, and five hundred and ten above tide-water; the hollow on the east side of the hill is only thirty-two feet above the depot-level; and the high land at the ancient Holbrook place, on Maple Street, is one hundred feet above the depot-level, or four hundred and thirty feet above tide-water.

The southerly part of the town is much less broken; has a gentle, plain-like inclination down to Mendon line; has few or no hills that are many feet above the depot-level; and its lowest depression is only about twenty feet below that level.

I have been thus particular, in regard to the rivers, hills, and valleys of the town, to find and verify their altitudes, etc., in hope to settle some disputed points, and to correct erroneous ideas among our inhabitants, derived from former topographical surveys, or from crude estimates founded on mere appearances to the common eye. I have spared no reasonable pains to be accurate and reliable in my statements; and, believing that no tests will ever invalidate their substantial correctness, they are respectfully submitted for publication.

ALMON THWING.

HOPEDALE, April 24, 1879.

I will add a few historic, explanatory, and descriptive sentences, on our topography. The river now known as Charles was designated as "Second Bridge River" in our oldest records, deeds, and other documents. Its Indian name, at least in the vicinity of Boston, was Massachusetts. The famous Massachusetts tribe, dwelling on it east of the Nipmucks, were quite powerful when Salem and Boston first began to be settled by the whites. But how high up into the country this river then bore the name Massachusetts, I have never been informed. Mill River has always borne its present name since the first white settlement of Quinshipaug Plantation, *alias* Mendham, *alias* Mendon, in 1663 or thereabouts. Whether it ever had an Indian name, I know not. If it had one, it was probably Maspenock, after the pond whence it issues, called Maspenock by the natives. Its numerous mill-privileges led our forefathers to give it the current name, though Maspenock would certainly be more graceful. At the point where it leaves our territory, on the present Lewis B. Gaskill place, the early Mendon authorities, in 1667, provided for the erection of their first "corn-mill," so called. Benjamin Alby, the patriarch of all our Albees, received a grant of land, and engaged to maintain the said mill for the public convenience. It is supposed that he built it accordingly, but that it was burned, with nearly all the buildings of Mendon's first settlers, in King Philip's War. Before any bridges were built, this river had several conspicuous fords, familiar to the Indians, and used for some years by the early white settlers. Hence tradition whispers that Mill River and its fords suggested our town's name.

It will be seen that these two intersecting rivers divide our territory into three sections. The first is a narrow strip of land on the west side of Mill River, adjacent to Mendon. It extends from a little above the "City" mill-privilege on the Upton line, to the old "country road," later the turnpike, and now common highway, from Mendon town over Neck Hill towards Bellingham. It is bounded westerly, much of the way, by the famous "Eight-Rod Road." Its length may be four miles or more, and its average width perhaps one hundred and fifty rods, more or less. It lies on the eastern declivity and along the bases of Neck Hill and its higher adjunct, formerly called North Hill, towards Upton line. The larger portion of it is woodland and swamp, little adapted to tillage. Minor portions have long been cleared, and are now used for pasturage, tillage, and meadow purposes. Other tracts, once cleared, have been allowed to return to forest.

The middle section, between the two rivers, extends virtually the

whole length of our municipal domain, from Hopkinton on the north to Mendon on the south, about six miles. It is much the largest of the three; being, on an average, perhaps nearly a mile and a half in breadth. Its highlands and plains constitute our most conspicuous, habitable, and productive territory; though minor tracts are otherwise. Magomiscock Hill presents the most elevated and picturesque feature of this section, and, as is shown in Mr. Thwing's report, is our highest land, being, near Reuel Cleveland's residence, six hundred and thirty-seven feet nine inches above tide-water. The whole range, called by the Indians Magomiscock, affords many admirable views of the surrounding country.

The third or easterly section of the town includes all east of Charles River. Its northerly extremity, for three-fourths of a mile, is narrow. Then for two miles southwardly it has an average breadth of perhaps one mile and a half. The residue, adjacent to Bellingham, is an obtuse triangle, containing only a few hundred acres. In the northerly central part of this section we have the "Rocky Woods," long fitly so called. South-easterly of the Rocky Woods lies "the Great Meadow," on the skirts of Medway, though, as the town lines once ran, anciently bordering on Sherborn territory, later Holliston. This "Great Meadow" was, for a time, a subject of sharp rival claims between the early Mendonians and Sherbornians. Tradition says that the first settlers found a considerable portion of this meadow a muddy beaver-pond; that they drained off the water by cutting a channel through the old beaver-dam; and that they were soon delighted to behold a luxuriant growth of blue-joint and other nutritious grasses spring up over the whole surface. In the southerly central part of this section rises our grand swell of land, called for over one hundred and seventy years "Bear Hill." Its highest peak is five hundred and thirty-two feet above tide-water. There is considerable feasible land in the third section, partly smooth plain, and partly a strong loam, more or less stony.

The geological formation of our territory deserves at least a brief exposition. Its basis is primitive rock, perhaps the original crust of the once molten earth, as its surface first cooled and crystallized unimaginable ages ago. This appears to have been granite and gneiss, chiefly the latter. Nearly one-third at the north end exhibits granite, more or less imperfect in its upper strata, but growing better as opened downward. In some quarries it is of great excellence, in others inferior, by reason of impure ingredients liable to oxidation. See Chapter XIII.

If we go back to that very remote period when the whole mass of

our globe is conjectured to have been in a molten state, surrounded to a vast distance by tumultuous gases, we can imagine, at length, a time when the surface had cooled and crystallized into a stony crust of many feet in thickness. Meanwhile it settled down here and there, with various fissures, into the seething fluid underneath, thus causing it to ooze up through those fissures so as to form the remarkable veins which are seen in many rocks. These veins are often of a different hue, and sometimes different substance, from the first cracked crust which they cemented together. At later stages of the cooling process, when hydrogen and oxygen gas had been resolved into water, we can conceive of its progressive action on the still intensely hot shell of the earth. It would disintegrate the outer surface into every form of earthy substance, from the finest sand and clay to clefts and bowlders of manifold size. And next its increasing quantities would cause depressions in the general crust, create lakes, break through here and there into the fiery vaults below, be converted into tremendous steam force, and cause a continuous succession of earthquakes. Hence our mountains, hills, and valleys of every size and structure. These uplifted masses, and their intervening hollows, in our quarter of the world, are sometimes circular, but generally appear in ranges running more or less northerly and southerly. In many instances the great earthquake plough seems to have torn its way through the rocky strata, and formed sharp ridges and precipitous dells. What the explosive steam left undone was gradually accomplished by the subsequent surging floods and grinding glaciers. These gradually formed the peculiar features of this and other habitable regions.

Many geologists, too, have reasonably supposed that most of North America, long ages ago, was covered by the ocean, and gradually rose above its tides. There are numerous indications of this on our rocks, highlands, and plains. For the conjecture includes not only the flux and reflux of tidal billows, but also the phenomena of icebergs and glaciers. Thus only can we account for larger and smaller bowlders, removed in a southerly direction from their native locations very considerable distances, and sometimes left perched on high ledges composed of quite different ingredients. We have also much earthy drift which affords concurrent evidence for the same conclusion. The northern half of our territorial surface is strewed with larger and smaller rocks, mostly moved southward from their primary beds. Some of these are of decent granite, akin to small sections of underlying material which project in upon us from beyond, as first mentioned. But, with few exceptions, these multitudinous surface

bowlders and stones are of coarse gray gneiss, more burdensome than useful. What may be called our rock *in situ*, to the extent of four-fifths, is gneiss, of different varieties. Some of it is amorphous, and has either no rift, or a very uncertain fracture. Some of it is well stratified in layers of various thickness, and breaks into decent shapes for use. Quartz predominates largely in most of it, with feldspar next in quantity, but smaller portions of mica and hornblende. A singular kind of it ranges through from Central North Purchase south-westerly, across Hopedale and Neck Hill, far into Mendon. It has an overplus of quartz, is sharp-gritted, brittle, ill-shaped, and of refractory grain. Some of it turns up in uncouth layers, whilst portions seem fire-cracked and of ragged structure. Nearly all of it has a reddish hue, as if colored by iron or some other metallic oxides. It is not a very desirable kind of rock, yet not of the worst kind.

Of course the native soil of our territory is chiefly gneissic, like our principal rock *in situ*, and almost all our surface stones; for it is mainly gneiss, more or less decomposed. Some of our ridges and hills have been much denuded by the perpetual washing of ages, either by the ancient ebb and flow of ocean tides, or later drenching rain-falls, or perhaps both. Consequently the primitive ledges and a superabundance of various-sized rocky fragments prevent the profitable tillage of considerable portions, whilst the plain lands are largely composed of the drift washed down from these rugged elevations. But some of our highlands, though quite stony, have gentler ascents and broader summits, with a good depth of productive soil. Gneissic soils are generally poor. Ours, however, exhibits a medium average between the best and worst of such soils. This is probably due to a larger portion of feldspar in the primitive rock of this whole region than generally prevails in basic gneiss. But our rocks have not feldspar enough to afford eminent fertility. Our soil is, therefore, rather deficient in alumina and potassa. We have but one small deposit of clay, as yet discovered and opened. This is on the ancient Whitney farm, in the south-easterly part of North Purchase, adjacent to Deer Brook. Perhaps another deposit may yet be found by deep digging on our southern border, just east of where Mill River passes into Mendon. Possibly other localities of small extent may be discovered. But our lack of clay is obvious; and our primitive potassa is so small that its yield from feldspar in the native rock, by natural evolution, hardly supplies the demands of annual vegetation. Hence our pasture-lands have been running out ever since their early days, and our arable fields produce meagre crops without frequent manuring. The soil generally, especially where it is not marshy or quite low, needs more

alumina and potassa. This is why wood-ashes show such decidedly good effects on all our farms and gardens. We have a comparatively thin covering of vegetable loam, excepting in some of our swamps; and this is mostly a sandy or gravelly one, which too quickly parts with heat and moisture. More of clay and ashes would improve it in these respects. As to our swamps, most of their peat-muck has too much earthy matter intermixed with its decayed vegetable substance to be very rich. We have only a few peat deposits with carbon enough to render them valuable for fuel. Our lowland surfaces are most valuable where they are, or their muck is utilized for manurial purposes. Of minerals, precious or ordinary, none have been discovered on our territory, except in small particles, — none of practical value. Nor have we limestone, or slate, or handsome flagging quarries, — nothing but the granitic strata before mentioned. We hope these, when fully quarried, will prove valuable. The foregoing must suffice for the present in respect to our geology.

VEGETATION AND ANIMALITY.

If we go back two hundred and fifty years in imagination, before any white man's foot had entered our territorial area, it may rationally be conceived of as mainly covered with a heavy forest, many of whose trees were vastly larger and taller than any of their offspring that survive. From the nature of the soil, chestnut probably predominated on nearly all the uplands, especially in the northerly sections. Next in abundance was the oak, chiefly of the coarser varieties, such as gray, red, and black oak, but intermingled here and there with considerable white oak. Hickory had its place, but could never have been largely prevalent. Ash, maple, pine, birch, and several smaller kinds of wood, occupied the lower lands in considerable quantities. Elm, hornbine, hemlock, and spruce were probably always scarce. In the deeper swamps, pine and cedar prevailed. At that time our now almost desolate Cedar Swamp — all around its deep miry pond, and down stream, nearly to "the falls," the Parkhurst mill-seat — was covered with massive cedars, such as would now, if standing, fill the beholder with wonder at their magnificence. Even sixty years ago, as now remembered by our older citizens, that swamp abounded with lofty trees from fifteen to twenty inches in diameter at their butt; and those were far inferior to their elders previously felled. So, if we contemplate in imagination the mighty chestnuts, oaks, cedars, etc., on which the old Nipmucks gazed, we may say, in scripture phrase, "There were giants in the earth in those days."

As to the alders, and numerous varieties of shrubbery which we

call underbrush, it is presumable that they were plentiful in many parts of our territory; though some historians of aboriginal times conjecture, that, in all these regions, the Indians annually set fire to and burnt over such tracts as were thereby rendered capable of affording grassy food for wandering herds of deer. This is not improbable, but somewhat doubtful. The Indians had undoubtedly a great interest in promoting the growth of deer, in view of their own food and clothing thence derived. But whether our particular region was much adapted to deer-pasturage, except perhaps some of the meadow-lands on the rivers, I can hardly decide in the affirmative. Anyhow, we may conclude that the present undergrowth and shrubbery which prevail in our woodlands, and spring up so very readily in our cleared grounds, high and low, are mostly native to the soil. Among this shrubbery the several varieties of whortleberry are somewhat conspicuous, and latterly have become considerably valuable. It is not unlikely that they, as well as other berry-bearing bushes, afforded the aborigines acceptable sustenance in their season. The grapevine is indigenous, and some of its fruitful varieties have always afforded pleasant eating.

In respect to herbage, it is hardly necessary to go into particulars, further than the meadow grasses. When the first white settlers took possession of land in our general region, they found many natural meadows, of greater or less extent, which yielded large crops of nutritious grasses. As cattle were indispensable to their subsistence, comfort, and wealth, the natural meadows were held in high estimation. They were made a distinct kind of real estate, as were the cedar-swamps, and in proprietary allotments were divided up into small parcels, so that landholders might have a limited section, and each get a share. Hence meadows were greatly coveted in those early times. We wonder at this now, because those very lands seem to produce comparatively worthless bog-grass, rushes, brakes, and briers. At least, this is the case with many of them. It was not so originally. In early times most of them produced large mowings of blue-joint, fowl-meadow, and other valuable fodder. Those kinds of grass propagated themselves by seed annually shed, and were fostered by the sediment of much richer overflows than occur in our days. Our ancestors kept cutting off those grasses for hay before they had gone to seed, clearing up the adjacent woods whose decaying leaves formerly furnished much sediment, setting up saw-mills whose dust and litter changed the fertility below them, and meantime elsewhere removing many cloggy obstructions from the streams which in olden times had served to retain manurial substances. These and kindred

causes killed out the nutritious grasses, and encouraged the growth of our present rubbish.

But whence the ancient meadows? Some of them were probably created by the sagacious and industrious beavers, who, hundreds of years ago, were numerous in our general region. They built their palatial dams, and formed considerable ponds. When their ponds filled up with continual wash and sediment from above, or when, for some other reason, the animals abandoned their homes, or perhaps at length were exterminated by over-hunting for their skins, they left those nice grass meadows, so prized by our forefathers. It is likewise probable, that, before the days of beaver-dams, there were natural ones here and there, up and down our two rivers, where we now find narrows. Those for a long time exhibited falls, but at length were worn down by the current, and their ponds let off. The result would be meadows of larger or smaller extent. It is likely, too, that the Indians threw up some imperfect log-dams, where a few fallen trees, accumulated boughs, and convenient earth, favored it, in order to make fish-ponds, and thus increase their means of subsistence. All such flowages would leave grass meadows at last. Whatever the probability of these suggestions, one thing is certain, — that our early meadows not only yielded much better hay, but were of greater extent, than at present. For instance, what our first settlers magnified as "the Great Meadow," situated north-easterly from Bear Hill, and which drains itself through North Bellingham into Charles River, was deemed to be of so much importance that the proprietors of Mendon and Sherborn, whose boundaries in 1700 were thought to give them conflicting claims to this meadow, had a serious legal controversy about it, which lasted several years. Yet now, if we look for that "Great Meadow," it seems to have dwindled into comparative insignificance. It may have been of considerable size in the year 1700, perhaps containing, in its whole extent, many hundred acres; but it has been so encroached upon by upland border and woody growths, that, to ordinary observation, a small showing remains. Various other causes may have contributed to its apparently diminished area. For some such reasons all our natural meadows are smaller than the old records seem to represent them.

THE ABORIGINAL ANIMALS, ETC.

I need not particularize many of these, whether land, water, or amphibious creatures. They were such as generally inhabited the inland parts of southern New England. Several species of the more formidable and dangerous have been extinct for more than half a

century, having been fairly exterminated. I include in this class the bear, wolf, panther, and smaller ferocious beasts. The harmless deer and admirable beaver disappeared much earlier. Nearly all the ordinary wild animals, such as the fox, woodchuck, rabbit, skunk, squirrel, musquash, mink, etc., have been hunted down to a comparatively thin remnant. They now scarcely hold their own from year to year. The larger birds of prey are rarely seen. The eagle, perhaps, never had a home on our humble hills, and was only a transient visitor in wilderness times. The great owl is nearly or quite extinct. The cranes and larger fish-eating birds only come and go on infrequent occasions. Wild geese, ducks, and other birds of passage, which in olden times are said to have rested themselves often in our ponds and meadows, now ordinarily hold on their flight to safer regions. Hawks, crows, partridges, and numerous kinds of smaller birds, are still among us, some of them rather sparsely, and others more plentifully, but none of them in great abundance.

Of serpents we have few. They have been sedulously exterminated from generation to generation. Tradition tells that in early times there were many large black snakes, — some of them eight to ten feet long. Now their descendants are comparatively few and small. Rattlesnakes once abounded, especially in the vicinity of the Cedar Swamp, east and north of Pine-Grove Cemetery, in Rocky Woods, in the ledges towards Hopkinton, and all up and down Deer Brook. In that neighborhood the early settlers made it their business to hunt them vigorously in the months of May and early June. About that season they would crawl out of their winter dens to sun and limber their torpid bodies for summer dispersion in all directions. Many scores of them are said to have been drawn out with snake-hooks, and killed, by expert hunters, in a single day, and large numbers in the course of a few favorable weeks. Yet, for two or three generations, they continued to be a terror, and especially in haying-time, when they haunted the meadows and water-brinks in quest of food and drink. It was then that the mowers and haymakers never felt safe without leather moccasins, reaching almost to their thighs, and similar protectives for their hands and arms, being liable at any moment to stir up one of these venomous reptiles. Sometimes they quartered about their barns, wood-piles, and even their houses, — crawling in at the open doors. The old people tell startling stories of rattlesnake adventures, either of their own experience or that of their progenitors. But the rattlesnake is now almost extinct within our borders, even in its old favorite haunts. When I first came to reside in Milford, in 1824, I was told that rattlesnakes were still to be found

not far from what was called the Wild Cat neighborhood. I was somewhat astonished, and, as I had never seen one, had a strong curiosity to find a specimen. My friend Carmel Cheney said if I would go on a hunt with him he was sure we might kill some. So, toward the end of May, he took me along with himself and one or two others to their old dens in Rocky Woods, east of the now beautiful Pine-Grove Cemetery. There we succeeded in finding and despatching one. He then took us to a known resort of these reptiles, west of Deer Brook, and considerably north of the ancient Day place, — though perhaps on the farm, — to a thinly-wooded, ledgy hill, sloping southward. There we killed four or five more, and returned satisfied. Now and then a wanderer has been killed, from time to time, since. Latterly I have heard of few. We have some hateful water-snakes, and considerable numbers of the garter and smaller harmless kinds. Of tortoises, lizards, frogs, toads, etc., we have the several varieties common in this general region.

Of fish, the principal kinds sought after — i.e., natives of our waters — are the black sucker, pickerel, pout, perch, and eel. These have not multiplied in proportion to consumption, but still are of some importance.

The precious trout, I think, never abounded in our waters, and now is scarcely found at all. Our inferior and smaller kinds of fish are numerous enough, but of little account unless as bait for the larger species.

It is obvious that the contrast must be great between the present meagre show of wild-animal life, on our nineteen square miles, and that which presented itself to the Nipmucks two centuries and more ago. Then the dense and towering forest teemed with ferocious bears, wolves, panthers, and venomous reptiles, as well as the more harmless multitude; and then fish and fowl abounded luxuriantly in their highest excellence. Let us indulge a momentary glance at the scenes of the aboriginal wilderness, only to rejoice the more gratefully that we live amid the innumerable blessings of a hard-earned civilization. The old savage grandeur and wealth of vegetable and animal life presents but a beggarly exhibition, compared with the fruits of cultivation and our manifold domestic animal wealth.

INDIAN RELICS.

Whether the Indians ever occupied our territory, except as roving bands for hunting and fishing purposes, is doubtful. Probably not. No traces of continuous settlement have come to my knowledge; though the first John Hero, who settled in the north-east corner,

formerly within the limits of Holliston, close upon Hopkinton, suspected, as his descendants say, that on his farm there had some time been at least a burial-place. Many arrow-heads, and perhaps a few rude implements of domestic use, were ploughed up there; but no thorough research deeper into the ground was ever made. Arrow-heads, either whole or in pieces, and other unimportant relics, have been found, from time to time, in all parts of our vicinage. If these had been duly preserved, doubtless a very interesting collection might now be shown; though I do not recollect ever having heard of any strikingly remarkable implement or utensil brought to light. It is not unlikely that the natives may have had planting-grounds for Indian corn, in small parcels, on our plains; but even this is more a matter of conjecture than strong probability. As to travelled ways or paths, it seems, from the first Indian deed, that they had at least one of some distinction close on our southern border, running westwardly from their eastern possessions into, and perhaps through, Mendon. It is possible they had a trail from Natick through our centre. Of this, however, I have found no sufficient indication. It is said that they knew all the fords and best crossing-places of our two rivers, and pointed them out to the first settlers. Of course, they had several minor trails here and there, along which they were accustomed to travel; but those paths were probably indistinct, and soon obliterated when abandoned.

How late, after King Philip's War (1676), any of the Nipmucks sojourned on our territory, is somewhat uncertain. They held reserved rights here, as elsewhere in our general neighborhood, to hunt, fish, and gather materials for their peculiar manufactures. Something like this was stipulated in most of the ancient deeds; and these rights were fully accorded to them, at least in respect to all *common* lands and waters. But they were so destroyed and thinned off by Philip's War, that only small bands, single families, and straggling individuals ever afterward made their appearance within our borders. Rev. Abner Morse, in his interesting history of Sherborn and Holliston, published in 1856, says, p. 266, "A band of them resided in the unimproved part of Medway in 1698, and probably later." A portion of this band seem to have frequented Bear Hill; and our elderly people have a tradition of one or two murders committed between them and the whites in that vicinity, perhaps a few years earlier or later than 1700. Of this tradition I may speak more definitely in another place. I conclude that very few Indians have trod our soil since that period, and such only as temporary sojourners or mere wanderers.

INDIAN NAMES.

Of these, only two survive, and they have become almost obsolete. I should never have come to the knowledge of them but by search of the old land records. One of these is *Maspenock*, the aboriginal name of North Pond, of which I have said a mere fraction is properly ours. This name appears in the deed of North Purchase, as presented in Chapter I. It would almost seem that our Mill River, issuing from Maspenock Pond, must have been called by the Indians Maspenock River; but, as yet, I have found no proof of it. I should be glad to do so, as I take a liking to the name. Having some curiosity to ascertain its original signification, I carefully examined the Indian vocabularies, reprinted from ancient editions for preservation. One of these was made by Roger Williams, with reference to the language of the Narragansetts and kindred tribes; the other by Josiah Cotton, chiefly with reference to the Nipmuck language, into which the great Indian apostle, Eliot, translated the Bible. If I have interpreted the Indian etymology correctly, *Maspenock* literally means *choice fishing-place*, or *excellent fish-pond:* from *namas*, fish, or relating to fish; *pepenam*, to choose; and *ohke* (pronounced gutturally, *ooke*, *aug*, *auke*, *ock*, *uck*, etc.), which signifies earth, land, ground, place, or some substantial object belonging to the earth. Thus I deduce Maspenock, *choice or excellent fishing-place.*

The other name is that of the highland which extends southwardly from the Cleveland place, through the Scammell place, east of Hopedale, to the new highway called Adin Street, etc. The Indians named this highland Magomiscock. As nearly as I can deduce its meaning from the lingual roots, it may be rendered, *ground affording a grand show*, or prospective view. Its components appear to come from, or be, *magko*, to afford, give, or grant; *misse*, swollen, large, showy, grand, etc.; and *ohke*, earth, ground, or place: literally, a high swell of land affording a grand prospect of the surrounding country. And such it really is. The Rev. Peter Whitney, in his History of Worcester County, 1793, says, "From the highest places there is a large and variegated prospect. From these heights may be seen the Wachusett and Monadnock Mountains, and also the hill south of Boston" (Milton Blue Hill). Whoever will visit these easily accessible heights, and survey the vast landscapes, can hardly fail thenceforth to admire the aboriginal name, *Magomiscock*. The old records spell this name rather barbarously in half a dozen different ways, but I believe I have given its best orthography.

Whether the name of our prominent eminence, called Bear Hill, is of Indian or English origin, is uncertain. It obviously indicates a

haunt for bears in olden times. Though I have found nothing in the records relating to the derivation of the name, it seems probable to me that it originated with the Indians. They called the bear, in their language, *moshq*. Therefore, if they gave name to this hill, it would be Moshcock. This would not be a bad exchange to make, if our people so choose. What other Indian names might be framed or conjectured, as applicable to natural objects within our territorial limits, I will not trouble myself to surmise.

Having been misled by the gazetteers to assume that *Wapowage* was the Indian name of our township, I took considerable pains to ascertain its signification. In doing so, I at length got the information stated in Chapter I., that it belonged to Milford, Conn. So that matter ended. I have since directed my attention to the meaning of *Nipmuck*, alias *Nipmook*, etc. I find that the Narragansett language, and perhaps, with some variation, that of the Nipmucks, gives *nips* for *ponds*. I infer that it may denote not only ponds, but other collections of water, including moving streams. Hence the Nipmuck name would signify *a country abounding with ponds and streams of water*, — a remarkably well-watered country or land. This agrees aptly with the geographical facts. Hence, also, the name would fitly apply to the inhabitants, or tribe of people, dwelling on such general territory. The Blackstone River was originally called the Nipmuck River, because it arose in and flowed through the Nipmuck country. So the Nipmuck Pond in Mendon got its name from its aboriginal owners, who long held it in high estimation.

Here I must close this chapter. That it will be as interesting to general readers as the collection and arrangement of its particulars have been to me, perhaps is more than I ought to expect. I have taken much pains to render it valuable to posterity, and can only hope that it will in some way repay its cost. At least, I seem to myself to have fairly prepared the way for a narration of the facts next in order.

CHAPTER III.

EARLIEST LAYINGS-OUT OF LAND AND SETTLEMENTS.

Rules of Allotment and Division. — How Quinshipaug Plantation was originally governed. — Rules for Division of Lands to the Proprietors explained. — House-Lots of Various Sizes at the Town-Seat, and their Belongings, etc.

The First Layings-out on our Territory. — The *Rawson Farm*, so called, set off, 1719, to Bellingham. — Benjamin Albee's One-Acre Mill-Lot. — John Sprague and his Son William, our Earliest Settlers. — Layings-out, 1670. — Several Mendon Proprietors, always resident at the Town-Seat, have Lands laid out here. — Names, Localities, and Dates specified.

Early Settlers down to 1710. — Concerning Capt. Seth Chapin and his Settlement in South Hopedale. — Elder John Jones and his Settlement in the "Dale," contemporaneously with Capt. Seth Chapin. — Ebenezer and Joseph Sumner's Settlement at the Dexter Walker Place. — William Cheney's Settlement on the Highland now owned by Charles F. Chapin, etc. — Benjamin Wheaton's Settlement easterly of the Jones Place. — Settlements of the Haywards in Howardtown Neighborhood. — Probable but not *certain* Settlements, during this Decade, of Thomas White, sen., John Green, Obadiah Wheelock, Benjamin Alby's Descendants, Jonathan Thayer, John Rockwood, and Others. — Reflections on the State of Things, and Circumstances of our First Settlers.

RULES OF ALLOTMENT AND DIVISION.

QUINSHIPAUG PLANTATION, afterwards Mendon, was governed by a committee, or board of commissioners, appointed by the General Court for that purpose. This committee was to consist of not less than three nor more than five men. For their names and powers see Chapter I. That committee agreed on certain articles, according to which the affairs of the Plantation should be governed. See those articles, as copied in full in Chapter I. The first article prescribes as follows: "1. That the Divisions of land there shall be by the ensuing Rules; that to one hundred pounds Estate be granted one hundred and fifty acres of land, viz.: Thirty acres to the House Lot, and Ten acres of Meadow and Five acres of swampy or low land, being capable of being made Meadow, and more, one hundred and fifty acres for the Great Lot; and according to this proportion for all Estates be they more or less; and this to be the Rule for the Division of all the lands of the Plantation that shall be divided before the place, or the people there, shall be allowed to be a Township," etc. This article is very obscure in its phraseology. Either some words in the original document were lost in transcribing

it, or the awkwardness of the draughtsman left it undesignedly ambiguous and equivocal. I have assured myself that my copyist has accurately followed the existing record. As it stands, quite different constructions may honestly, and perhaps plausibly, be put on some of its language. Without being entirely certain I am correct, I will attempt to define its meaning. It obviously presupposes a company of proprietors about to take possession of a newly-acquired wilderness tract of land (the eight-miles-square grant), for the purpose of settling thereon; also, that they contemplated commencing with the settlement of a town-seat, or central village-site. This required a common fund to purchase the wild land, and meet the various expenses incident to incipient settlement. Afterwards, responsible assessable estates would be equally requisite, in order to support the young community in bearing its societary burdens. Of course, such a movement must start with individual subscriptions to the primary fund, or some sort of pledges of estate to be invested in the proposed Plantation. Just how the projectors arranged the details of proprietary subscription, or pledge, I have not learned. But we know that after purchase, and before settlement, the proprietors owned the whole eight miles square, as a company, in *common*.

Next, how was it to be divided among the proprietors wishing to settle at and near the town-seat? The prescribed rule sets forth that the proprietary settlers should have a certain quantity of land set off to their respective individual possession, and that this amount of land should be, in proportion to their several estates, invested in the Plantation, or in some way pledged to its maintenance; whether as cash paid in, or to be paid in, or some equivalent, does not matter. What was this proportional quantity of land? Some have construed the above article to mean three hundred acres to £100 investment; others, one hundred and fifty acres to £100. On the whole, I judge that the latter must have been meant, taking into consideration the phraseology of the prescription, and the subsequent practical application given to it. I do not wish to be over positive of this, but must for myself interpret the language accordingly. The man, then, who invested £100 in the Plantation, would be entitled to a town-seat house-lot of thirty acres, ten acres of open natural meadow, and five acres of swampy lowland capable of being made meadow. These meadow-lands would have to be found where nature afforded them, and, generally, at a greater or less distance from the house-lot. As to the first considerable batch of house-lots, they were assigned by lot, so as to avoid all contention for the more eligible. Well, now our £100 proprietor has but forty-five acres of his one hundred and

fifty; what next? Here we come to the chief puzzle. The words of the rule, as it stands, are, ☞ "and more, one hundred and fifty acres for the Great Lot." I assume that the draughtsman must have meant, ☞ *and enough more to make up one hundred and fifty acres, to be called the Great Lot.* Thus he would get his full claim. Otherwise, the words "and more" would be utterly indefinite, and the "one hundred and fifty acres for the Great Lot" would be additional to the indefinite quantity. But, as nearly as I can understand subsequent proceedings, one hundred and fifty acres fulfilled the whole claim.

Now, having the ratio of land to estate, — i.e., one hundred and fifty acres to every £100 estate, — we see that other-sized estates would have their proper proportion of land on the same scale. Accordingly, we find by the record that there were, at a certain early period, forty-two house-lots laid out; that thirteen of these were forty-acre lots; four, thirty-five-acre lots; four, thirty-acre lots; seventeen, twenty-acre lots; and four, ten-acre lots; and that other lands were laid out to the house-lot owners, or to their heirs and assigns, in due quantity. The proprietor whose invested estate gave him a forty-acre house-lot would be entitled to twelve of open meadow, and seven of swampy land, or thereabouts, and, in all, to two hundred acres. The proprietor having a twenty-acre house-lot would be entitled to seven of open meadow, three of swamp, or thereabouts, and, in all, to one hundred acres. So all others in proportion. Of course, persons able and so disposed could buy proprietary rights, or shares, larger or smaller, and share in subsequent divisions accordingly.

How nearly the proprietors, as such, adhered to the old rule of the committee, after the incorporation of the Plantation into a town, in 1667, I have not critically informed myself. They were then no longer bound by it, and varied from it to suit circumstances. They early adopted the usage of assigning to house-lot owners what they called "doublings;" i.e., lots, mostly adjoining the house-lots, of equal size. Thus the proprietor of a forty-acre house-lot would have another forty-acre lot annexed to him; the thirty-acre house-lot holder, another thirty; and so down to the ten-acre man. But if it so happened that any proprietor, under any division of lands, failed to take up the amount due to him, his rights remained valid, and went down to his heirs or assigns, to be claimed at their discretion. It would appear from the records, that, although the proprietors were sometimes blended in action with the townsmen in allotting and voting common lands, yet the former still continued to be a distinct

body, with distinct franchises and distinct books, so long as there remained any common lands to dispose of. First and last, they made *eleven* divisions of land. It is not easy to specify and explain the peculiarities of these eleven divisions in their precise order. It is understood that they called their division of house-lots their *first*. Thenceforth they voted successive divisions, relating to "Meadows," "Doublings," "Great Lots," etc. These they numbered second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, etc., to the eleventh. Thus every parcel of land laid out is specified on their records as belonging to such or such a man's numerical division. It does not seem to be of much historical consequence to define the peculiarities of these several divisions. I therefore waive it. My readers cannot fail to understand that all our now Milford territory, in its wilderness state, was held primarily by the old Mendon proprietors as their common land. They will also clearly understand, from the foregoing exposition, under what rules and in what general way our lands got into the possession of their first individual owners.

THE FIRST LAYINGS-OUT ON OUR TERRITORY.

Perhaps this is the proper place to state, that previous to the incorporation of Bellingham, in 1719, the north-westerly portion belonged to Mendon. This section of land adjoined what is now Milford on the south-east. It was designated "The Farm," and after subdivision "The Farms." Its early inhabitants were governed by Mendon municipal authorities, — just as were ours at that period. It got its designation, "The Farm," I presume, from the fact that the whole, or certainly a large part of it, belonged, by grant of General Court, to Hon. Edward Rawson, Secretary of the Province of Massachusetts. He was the father of Rev. Grindall Rawson, second settled pastor of Mendon. Secretary Rawson served the Province many years on what was deemed small compensation. To make up the lack the General Court made him several grants of land, first and last, some or all of which were called *Farms*. Among these grants was one of two thousand acres, to be located adjacent to Mendon, and south-westerly of Sherborn. Rawson extinguished the Indian title to this land by a deed from one or more of the chiefs during the year 1685. Sherborn, under its first grant, claimed jurisdiction over this Rawson Farm and certain contiguous lands. This may have given rise to the controversy with Mendon about the "Great Meadow," and perhaps some other parcels of meadow, to which I referred in Chapter II. But the General Court terminated all controversy by declaring Sherborn territory to be legitimately restricted within narrower limits in the disputed

quarter. Whether Rawson's grant, when located and defined, ran over our present boundary in the south-east somewhat, as has been supposed, I am not accurately informed. Be this as it may, "The Farm" was assigned to, and remained under the jurisdiction of, Mendon, until set off to Bellingham, in 1719. And from the recorded layings-out of land east of Charles, *alias* "Second Bridge," River, in that neighborhood, I doubt if the Rawson grant crossed the old Mendon line westward at all.

The very oldest parcel of land on our territory assigned to individual possession was one acre for a *corn-mill* seat. This was at the present Lewis B. Gaskill place, aforetime known as the Alvin Allen place. There, on Mill River, just north of the highway, where the ancient dam still remains, the old Committee of Quinshipaug Plantation gave Benjamin Alby (Albee) a one-acre mill-lot or seat. They did so in a written contract, made between him and themselves at Roxbury in the year 1664; he binding himself, heirs, and assigns, to erect and maintain a *corn-mill* thereon for the accommodation of the Plantation settlers. For at that time there was no corn-mill nearer than Medfield, and the inhabitants suffered very great inconvenience in that respect. Benjamin Albee, originally of Braintree, appears to have been a man of more than ordinary genius and enterprise. He was a trusted land-surveyor, had been conspicuous at Medfield, assisted the Sherborn people to start their Plantation, and was now devoted to the success of Quinshipaug. Under this contract with the committee, it is probable that he built his dam, and set up the corn-mill, as soon as he conveniently could. But it must not be understood that he took up his house-lot on the same side of the road. He did that on the south side, near the present residence of Willis Gould. The agreement between the committee and Albee was not entered on the Mendon records till Sept. 10, 1672. At that date his acre mill-lot was formally laid out; and a bounty grant of fifty acres more was laid out to him east of the river, south of the highway, as his encouragement to maintain the *corn-mill*. He never resided within our limits, and must not be accounted our earliest settler. But his mill-seat and mill were the first marks of civilization on our territory. His dwelling-house and mill were destroyed with the original Mendon Village, in King Philip's War. He was one of the fugitives from that calamity, and never returned to reside here. (See Part II. of this work: my Genealogical Register of the Albees.)

The next earliest laying-out of land within our borders was made to John Sprague, in 1670. It was a twenty-acre house-lot which he bought of John Bartlett, one of the original proprietors, and was

situated north-westerly of Albee's mill-lot, in the most south-westerly corner of our territory. It included what, a few years ago, was called the Wing Kelley place, situated on the highway (at one time, turnpike) from Mendon town over Neck Hill to South Milford, etc. There was already a way there, from the town to Albee's corn-mill, when this twenty-acre lot was laid out; and it was bounded "easterly by a line of marked trees, a little distant from the mill-pond, northerly by marked trees on Common, westerly on Common in part and partly upon a way leading from the Town to the mill, and southerly upon Common." There John Sprague built the first dwelling-house in what is now Milford, perhaps on the very spot where the existing one stands, but certainly thereabouts. There he lived and died, also his son William after him, and probably still later descendants. Very likely his first rude domicile was burnt by Philip's Indians. This, however, is not certain, as possibly he may not have built till after the return of the fugitives. Anyhow, *there* was built and inhabited our first dwelling-house.

Several of the Mendon proprietors, whose homes were in the town for life, anticipated the prospective settlement of our lands, and made haste to possess themselves of what they deemed eligible tracts, either for profitable sale to expected immigrants, or to provide for their own multiplying posterity. Among these were George Aldrich, his son Jacob, John Jepson, Simon Peck, John Harbor, James Lovett, Josiah Chapin, and others. John Sprague and his son William led the way, by pushing their possessions across Mill River. The feasible soil just east of that river was coveted. It was called "Mill Plain," and all up and down stream covered a considerable area. Nor was the land eastward of it, towards "Second Bridge" River (Charles), less tempting; for it had much smooth surface, with considerable meadow, then thought extremely desirable. There, too, was another plain bordering on "Second Bridge" River, or approaching it. This they called the upper, or "Second Plain," as it lay higher up and northeasterly of "Mill Plain." The two Spragues had lands laid off to them, in several parcels, just east of the Mill Plain, perhaps not far from the Parkman place. This was in 1672 and the ensuing years. About the same time George Aldrich procured a grant from the town, of twenty-five acres on "Mill Plain," just north of Medfield road. In 1686 John Harbor had a quantity laid out to him a little east of Mill River; precisely where, I have not ascertained. Likewise Simon Peck and John Jepson secured several parcels on Mill Plain before 1690. James Lovett made himself master, in 1690, of one hundred and forty acres just east of "Second Bridge" River, south of the

North Cedar Swamp — the plain-land now largely covered with buildings — as far south as the Parkhurst mill-seat. And not much later he acquired another large tract, opposite to the fore-mentioned, on the west side of the river, commanding "The Falls," as the mill-privilege in its natural state was then called. This was then surrounded by common, and reservation was made for the way afterwards known as the "Sherborn road." Samuel Hayward, a few years later, took up ample quantities for his numerous descendants, including the whole neighborhood of what afterwards acquired the name of "Howardtown." It will be understood that nearly all these layings-out were made to non-residents, mostly dwelling in or near the old town-seat of Mendon. None of them were actual settlers within our limits, excepting John and William Sprague. It is not unlikely, though uncertain, that Matthias Puffer, successor to Benjamin Albee, in running the *corn-mill*, may have erected some sort of a dwelling near his mill. Besides these, it is improbable that there were any actual settlers on our territory much previous to the year 1700. It is barely possible there may have been one or two others.

EARLY SETTLERS DOWN TO 1710.

We have now reached a period at which settlements began to multiply vigorously within our lines. I will commence with Capt. Seth Chapin. He was the fifth son of Josiah Chapin, Esq., one of the original Plantationists, who removed to Mendon from Braintree between 1680 and 1682, became a distinguished proprietor and citizen there, was an eminent land-surveyor, held many official trusts, and dwelt on what has been known as the Doggett place, where he died in 1726, at the venerable age of ninety-two years. Josiah Chapin, Esq., had ample ability and opportunity to become a large landholder. He took up much wild land in various parts of Mendon, and considerable parcels in what is now Milford, especially east of Neck Hill, on Mill River, in what may be called South Hopedale, and its vicinity. His son, Capt. Seth Chapin, born in Braintree, Aug. 4, 1668, followed his father to Mendon, and settled on these South Hopedale lands. He married, for his first wife, Mary Read, May 23, 1689. She lived only a few months. For his second wife he married Bethiah Thurston, March 25, 1691, and reared up a large family of children, — some fourteen. (See Part II., Genealogical Register, — the Chapins.) The oldest recorded laying-out of land to him bears date May 26, 1700. But it will be seen, by the following phraseology of the record, that he was already located there: —

☞ "Forty-five acres of [his father's] 4th division laid out to Seth Chapin, and in possession of said Chapin, encompassing the said Chapin's Homestead and Meadow upon the Mill River, bounded Westerly upon the west side of the River upon Common with a various line down stream from James Lovett's land to Thomas White's land; South with Thomas White's land, crossing the River, thence turning Westerly with said White's land to the River, thence running with the River to a Black oak tree marked near the old path; then turning Easterly, and bounding Easterly upon a Rocky Hill with a various line to the North corner; thence Westerly home to Ten acres of land laid out to, and in possession of, John Jones, home to Ensign Lovett's Swamp."

It is easy to see that these lands were afterwards included in the Peter Cook farm, previously owned by Col. Samuel Nelson, and, in 1856, by the Hopedale Community. I thought it necessary to procure copies of nearly all the old layings-out on our territory; but I do not propose to inflict their verbal details on my readers, except in a few seemingly important cases. I deemed the foregoing one of this kind. Where did Capt. Seth build his house? I am not absolutely certain. It must have stood on one of two known, but now obliterated, sites. One of these belongs to a smooth, gentle swell of land, a little north-east of the old Post Lane bridge, below which is the noted "Swimming Hole," sometimes so called. On the south side of that swell, perhaps six to ten rods north-eastwardly of the bridge, there once stood a humble dwelling-house. The late Newell Nelson, Esq., informed me that he remembered it as the asserted dwelling of his great-grandfather, Elder Nathaniel Nelson, whose wife was Deborah, a daughter of Capt. Seth Chapin. The other site sustained the home of Seth Chapin, jun., a brother of Deborah (Chapin) Nelson. It crowned a handsome elevation somewhere about forty rods south of our Hopedale Corner, on the left-hand side of Hopedale Street. It is possible, but not probable, that Capt. Seth occupied that dwelling-place before his son. The other agrees altogether better with the description given in the first layings-out, ☞ "Encompassing the said Chapin's Homestead and Meadow upon the Mill River," etc. So I can scarcely doubt that his house stood on the swell north-east of the bridge, on the north side of the old Post Lane road. There he probably dwelt for several years, adding land to land in all directions. At length, in 1715, he sold his homestead to Josiah Wood, returned to Mendon town, and probably resided on the paternal homestead, where he died, in April, 1746, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. He left here his oldest son, Seth, jun., who became a rich man in land and other wealth of his time; also his son John, who, with less property, won honorable distinction, both in secular and ecclesiastical

affairs ; also his daughter Deborah and her husband, Nathaniel Nelson, who filled a conspicuous sphere through a long life ; and perhaps others of his numerous children. But Seth, jun., died before his father, in the midst of worldly prosperity, in 1737, being scarcely forty-five years of age.

Elder John Jones was the contemporary and near neighbor of Capt. Seth Chapin. It may have been noticed in Capt. Seth's oldest recorded laying-out, that John Jones was then — May 26, 1700 — in *possession* of "Ten acres of land laid out to him," bounding Chapin, in part, on the north. This makes him, probably, contemporary with Chapin, as a landholder and settler in the "Dale," once so called. Who was Elder John Jones? I have ascertained that he was a native of Hull (first called Nantasket), near Boston, the fifth son of Abraham Jones, who was probably the son of Thomas Jones, an early emigrant from England. (See my Genealogical Register, — name Jones.) He seems to have been attracted to Mendon at the age of twenty-two or twenty-three years, and to have acquired taxable estate there, so as to be assessed for the support of Rev. Grindall Rawson, in the rate-bills for the year ending Oct. 25, 1691. From that time his name was omitted in the ministerial rate-bills till the year 1703. Where he was during those ten or twelve years, or why exempt from taxation, is somewhat uncertain. In an important vote of the town, passed March 1, 1703, granting him certain privileges, he is styled "John Jones of Hull." This, in connection with his having been taxed in 1691, and being possessed of ten acres in the "Dale," May, 1700, leads me to infer that his family may have had their principal home in Hull during many of those years ; that he transiently resided in Mendon, going frequently back and forth ; and that the townsmen, desiring to encourage his permanent settlement among them, exempted such immature estate as he had within their limits from taxation. Howbeit, he ripened into a substantial inhabitant. He was evidently an enterprising and executive man, as well as an eminently pious and devoted church-member. Tradition says, that, in clearing up his first acres, he came down from Mendon hill, where he had his domicile, or lodgings, through the woods, generally single-handed, with only a dog for companionship, and plied his axe vigorously all day in felling the lusty primitive trees that studded the soil. He brought with him for his dinner plenty of Indian bannock, and a bottle of milk. At noon he spread out before him his wholesome but frugal repast, either on a suitable rock or one of his newly-cut broad stumps, yet never tasted it till first he had knelt and solemnly invoked the divine blessing.

Breakfast and supper he took at home, — prudently quitting work in time to return by daylight, so as to avoid the wolves and other beasts of prey that then made the night hideous.

When his clearing was sufficiently advanced, he built him a strong log barrack, and began to stay over night on the premises. The late venerable Jared Rawson told me that when he worked for Elder John's great-grandsons, during the years 1805–6–7, he and his fellow-workmen dug up the ancient hearth-stones and embers of that barrack. The spot was close by the river, only three or four rods westerly of the small house lately standing on the west side of Water Street, Hopedale, at its junction with Union. It is rather likely that this log barrack was already up in the spring of 1700, if not earlier. The elder prospered. He soon built the first framed dwelling-house in these parts, east of Neck Hill. Meantime he had possessed himself of the valuable house-lot at the town-seat, originally assigned to a Mrs. Tapping of Boston, and began to have various-sized tracts of land laid out to him on Mill River. Having located his family in "the Dale," and provided himself with a small stock of cattle, — fed at first chiefly with hay cut on "Beaver Meadow," a little way up the river, — his wealth rapidly increased, especially in lands. The proprietary records show that, year after year, through his long life, he was having parcels, here and there, laid out to him. Most of these were near his homestead, but some of them miles distant in different directions, — near the "Great Meadow," the "North Cedar Swamp," towards the Lowell Fales place, now so called, in the "North Purchase," and even in "Bungay." He brought with him from Hull three daughters and two sons, and had one daughter and two sons born in the "Dale." His sons — John, jun., Nathaniel, Abraham, and Joseph — became prominent citizens. He lived to see incipient Milford a thriving Precinct, and died in comparative affluence, March 28, 1753, in his eighty-third year. His wife Sarah preceded him about three years.

Next in order, perhaps Ebenezer and Joseph Sumner may be named. They were sons of George Sumner. (See my Genealogical Register.) It is thought George Sumner resided a while at the town-seat of Mendon, but this is not certain. We know, however, that he was a house-lot owner there, and taxed to support Pastor Rawson, 1685, and the ensuing several years. But he may have been taxed as a non-resident land-owner. Anyhow, his principal, if not his only, home was in Milton, where he was dea. of the ch., and died Dec. 11, 1715, aged eighty-one yrs. He had seven sons. Ebenezer was the fourth of these, b. Dec. 9, 1673; and Joseph was the fifth,

b. Aug. 26, 1677. Their father made over to these two sons, in some way, all his proprietary rights in Mendon. There they took up their abode about, or soon after, the year 1700. They seem to have owned property for some years in close copartnership. Ebenezer married Abigail, dr. of James Lovett, one of the rich Mendon proprietors, Jan. 18, 1706. Joseph married Sarah Lovett, sister to Ebenezer's wf. (the date not recorded), probably about the same time, as their oldest children were within a yr. or two of the same age. But before their marriage — May 15, 1702 — they had the "Great Lot" belonging to their twenty-acre house-lot, derived from their father at the town-seat, laid out to them in the immediate vicinity of what has been called in our times the Dexter Walker place, — then all Common land. This "Great Lot" contained (according to Rule), one hundred and twenty acres. And as this laying-out was probably the oldest in that direction towards what became the Precinct-seat forty years later, perhaps I shall be excused for giving the original description: "Laid out on the Southeast end of Magomiscock Hill; the South line being 164 rods, bounded by Common; the Westerly line 120 rods, bounded on Common; the northerly line 120 rods, bounded on Common; the easterly line 120 rods on Common, then turning Southerly 94 rods, then turning Easterly 44 rods, then turning Southerly 26 rods, being the Southeast corner; bounded on every side by Common: laid out with allowance for a 4 rod way across said land." This four-rod way afterwards became the Sherborn road, — now Main Street. We can see pretty clearly that the south line of this "Great Lot" — one hundred and sixty-four rods in length — must have extended from a point easterly of James Batcheldor's place (formerly the Phineas Eames place, and still earlier the Joseph Sumner place), westward by the present Obed Daniels place, nearly with the road, then by where the schoolhouse stood some years ago, a little south of the Dexter Walker place, considerably into the hill westerly of the Cook slaughter-house. Thence the line ran northerly one hundred and twenty rods, i.e., over one-third of a mile, towards what became Precinct Centre; thence the same distance easterly towards South Main Street: and thence, by a zigzag course, to the south-easterly corner before mentioned. Thus the first direct approach was made towards the settlement of our central village.

Whether the two Sumner brothers immediately set them up a log-cabin on their premises, and began to clear up a farm, I am unable to state on authority, but think it probable. They did not get married till three or four years later; but it is presumable they busily pre-

pared their new home. It is likely that their first domicile was set up at the Dexter Walker place, and that their two young families lived for some time under the same roof. A few years later their increase dictated separation. In the mean time, they had parcel after parcel of land laid out, some adjoining their "Great Lot," and others farther down the cart-path towards Holliston. In process of time Ebenezer worked down onto the Lovett lands, in the vicinity of "The Falls," so called. Both brothers became ultimately very considerable landholders, and their descendants have occupied influential positions among our inhabitants down to the present time.

William Cheney, the ancestor of all our Milford Cheneys, was not long behind the Sumners as a settler. He was originally from Medfield. We find that he was in Mendon-town as early as 1695, with his wife Margaret, being taxed there that year. He became seized of Timothy Winter's house-lot rights in 1705, in virtue whereof he had the following laying-out, between Capt. Seth Chapin's land and that of the Sumners, very nearly bounding the latter southwardly: "April 13, 1706. Now laid out to William Cheney, Forty acres of Timothy Winter's 4th division, and butted and bounded as followeth: Thirty-four acres laid out upon a Hill a little Eastward of Seth Chapin's land, Easterly upon the Swamp lot of Benjamin Wheaton, and on all other sides upon Common land; laid out with allowance for a Highway through it leading to Sherborn; laid out two acres for one," etc., etc. We have here the highland beginning below the Sylvanus Adams and Newton Daniels places, and extending northeasterly to the Obed Daniels place. The Laying-out Committees generally threw in a certain quantity for "bad land," where there was such, and sometimes for reserved highways. In this case, they just doubled William Cheney's, giving him sixty-eight acres for what they nominally set down as thirty-four. At the same time they made out his full quota, i.e., the forty acres, by laying out six acres nominally, yet twelve actually, situated on the westerly slope of Magomiscock Hill, nearly half a mile north of the first parcel, and adjoining John Jones's, Seth Chapin's, and Benjamin Wheaton's lands. Both parcels had much rough, rocky surface, and were rightfully doubled in quantity. William Cheney soon settled on his ledgy domain. Just where he first pitched his cabin, is somewhat uncertain; but there is little doubt that his permanent domicile stood on elevated land, now owned by Charles F. Chapin, on the easterly side of the highway. The old cellar is hardly traceable now, but the original well is discoverable. William Cheney, jun., his son, born in 1704, is believed to have lived on the same spot, or in the near vicinity,

at least for many years. William, sen., lived to be an aged man, probably not less than ninety yrs.

Benjamin Wheaton, whose name has several times already occurred, was an early settler from Mendon, contemporary with the Sumners, and perhaps preceding them. I have not, at this writing, quite succeeded in tracing out his nativity and pedigree; but I find that he had lands laid out to him, extending from somewhere north of the present Delano Patrick place, and thence southwardly, bordering westwardly on the Elder Jones estate as much as perhaps one hundred and fifty rods, down into open land now owned by heirs of W. W. Dutcher, formerly by Sylvanus Adams. There is good ground for believing that his ancient dwelling-house stood over an almost obliterated cellar, on the hill-side south of the highway leading from Hopedale to the Scammell place, perhaps thirty or forty rods above Felix Kearney's, late David Saunders's, residence. There is an old well not far off, supposed to have been Wheaton's. If this was not the place of his domicile, it must have stood in the vicinity, at no great distance. I am, as yet, unable to say much of Benjamin Wheaton, except that, like his neighbors, he appears to have been a man of enterprise, owned several layings-out of land here and there, and left a son Benjamin, as well as other children, to be his inheritors.

Important Hayward settlements were made during this decade in and around what came to be called Howardtown: i.e., in the neighborhood of our present Hollis and Alonzo Howard, whose ancestors were all Haywards. Between 1702 and 1707, two Jonathan Haywards planted themselves in that territorial vicinity. One of these was a brother, and the other a son, of Samuel Hayward of Mendontown, who was a wealthy man, and able to endow his relations with plenty of wild lands, or other needed favors. I conjecture that he and his brother Jonathan, and perhaps William (who, about this time, settled on the *Rawson Farm*), came from Swanzey. That matter I shall further inquire into before completing my Gen. Reg. Samuel came to Mendon in 1669 or 1670. He acquired two house-lots there, first and last, with all their rights of division in common lands. Probably he acquired by purchase other important parcels. He took up much land within our limits, some of it as early as 1702. His brother Jonathan was much younger than himself, and came to Mendon a youth. It is recorded, under date of Jan. 28, 1692, that "Saml. Thayer gave Bonds for Jonathan Hayward of Swanzy, resident with him." That was the custom then in such cases, to insure the town against liabilities for maintenance. He began to be taxed about 1696 for the support of Pastor Rawson.

Samuel's son Jonathan could not have been much younger than his uncle. To this son Jonathan and to his brother Samuel, jun., their father conveyed considerable parcels of his land here, adjoining Charles River, between 1702 and 1706; and one or both settled on those lands. Samuel, jun., however, died unmarried in 1708, at the age of twenty-five years. Jonathan raised up a very large family, several of whom became conspicuous citizens. Jonathan, the uncle, had also a numerous progeny. He located himself east of Bear Hill, near the "Great Meadow." Both Jonathans became large landholders, either by inheritance or purchase; and from them descended most of the Haywards that ever inhabited Milford, not to speak of many more abroad.

Thomas White, sen., son of Joseph White, one of the old Mendon proprietors, must, I think, have settled within our limits during that decade. Of this, however, I cannot be very confident. By inheritance or otherwise he acquired much land on Mill River, including the water-privilege known successively in our day as Green's, Grady's, and Gaskill's mills, but now called Spindleville. It is certain that his children, especially his son Thomas, jun., occupied portions of his land between 1710 and 1720; and I incline to believe that *he* was a settler here previous to 1710. I have the same impression about John Green, who at an early period owned a part or all of the Samuel Warfield place, the level portion of which was first called, with its adjacencies, "Linfield's Plain." It is possible, too, that Obadiah Wheelock had settled on the Mill Plain, at or near what not long ago was known as the Stoddard place. He located there soon after, if not before, 1710. Dr. John Corbett (father, I suppose, of the second Dr. John Corbett) had several parcels of land laid out to him on the Medfield road (South Milford now) from 1701 and downward; but whether he built any dwellings thereon, besides at the Dr. Scammell place so called, in Bellingham, is more than I feel warranted to affirm. I think it probable that one or two of the descendants of Benjamin Albee may have located within our southern borders before 1710; but of this I am uncertain. I must say the same of Jonathan Thayer, a son of Ferdinando, one of the Mendon patriarchs. If not in the first decade of the eighteenth century on our territory, he was certainly soon forthcoming; for he inherited goodly possessions from his father on Charles River. John Rockwood, son of Joseph, and gd.-son of John, another Mendon proprietor, may be put in the same category with Thayer, but perhaps with hardly as much probability. I may have overlooked two or three other individuals who had set up their emigrant cabins here pre-

vious to 1710. If I hereafter discover any such, I will give them their place of honor. But I think I may safely assume, that, down to that date, our settlers could not have exceeded fifteen families, nor fifty souls all told. I should prefer to guess that there were ten families, and not more than forty persons, — men, women, and children. Here let me insert a parenthesis. (Having referred my readers two or three times to the Second Part of this work, my Genealogical Register, let me say, once for all, that they will find therein not only the names and essential genealogical data of nearly all the families ever established residents on our territory, but many biographical reminiscences and interesting incidents deemed less appropriate in this Historical Part.)

REFLECTIONS.

It may be well not to forget the crude state of things, and peculiar circumstances amid which our pioneer settlers originated this now populous municipality. They breasted a yet howling wilderness. Their clearings were few and small. Their dwellings were little other than log huts; and their barns, rude hovels, whose fodder, when they had any in store, was in stacks. Their roads were rough cart-paths, and uncouth drift-ways. They had no grocery-store, much less post-office or schoolhouse. Blacksmiths, carpenters, shoe-makers, and other handicraft mechanics, were few, far between, and distant. Mendon-town was their material dependence for such necessaries as they could not produce on their own raw clearings. But Mendon depended for important supplies on Medfield and Marlborough, fifteen and eighteen miles distant; and these, again, depended on Boston for imported goods. Food, raiment, and all the comforts of domestic life, were mostly home-wrought, coarse, simple, and often scanty, but, happily, healthful. They were religious, Puritanical people, — the adults, with rare exceptions, church-members, and their children all baptized. They were punctilious and devout attendants on public worship. None staid at home on the sabbath but with a good excuse. Away to the town-seat they posted on the Lord's day, either barefoot or shod, on horseback, single and double, or on their own sturdy legs, to sit under the ministrations of Parson Rawson, on uncushioned seats, and in the coldest weather, in a plain, unwarmed, old-fashioned meeting-house, through services often two hours long, forenoon and afternoon.

Were they a down-hearted, cheerless, discontented sort of folks? Not at all; any thing but *that*. They were healthy, robust, and hopeful. They were bound to subdue the wilderness, to master the

wild beasts, to achieve a victory over all difficulties. Gigantic trees fell before them, and well-burnt fields grew green with grain and grass from year to year, as they advanced. They looked westward, and saw Mendon pushing to the Great River; northward, and Hopkinton was filling up; eastward, and the ambitious adventurers of Sherborn were encroaching on their favorite meadows; whilst the frontier-men of Medfield and Dedham saluted them from their outposts, and their own brethren to the southward of them slacked not their kindred march. Meantime fresh immigrants were prospecting their closely-adjacent wild lands, and daily assuring them of new neighbors soon to arrive. Thus they were expectant, resolute, and cheerful. If we imagine that their hardships, privations, and toils made them miserable, we probably mistake their mental condition. We may safely guess that they uttered fewer groans under their *real* wants than we do under our artificial and *un*-real ones. Doubtless they extracted health, content, and merriment from their scanty resources, quite as successfully as we do from the plethora of our luxuries. We will not lament for them, nor overdraw the picture of their peculiar enjoyments. They had their frailties, faults, and woes; but pity would be wasted on their lot. It was one rather to be envied and admired. We can but honor them as heroic pioneers, and bless their memories for the heritage they transmitted to us. Successive generations have reaped and will reap the harvests they sowed with mingled tears and buoyant gladness. The heavy forests were steadily diminished by their stalwart industry. They thinned off direful beasts and venomous reptiles. The rugged earth grew fruitful under their labors, and civilized habitations, though humble, superseded the transient wigwams of savageism. Domestic flocks and herds grazed peaceably on hilltops and plains but recently wrested from the occupancy of ferocious bears, wolves, and panthers. Meadows, orchards, and gardens yielded fragrance and fruitage where a little while before an unbroken wilderness bred only dreariness and terror. Thus commenced the settlement of our now populous, enterprising, and prosperous municipal domain. We will not forget "the rock whence we were hewn, and the hole of the pit whence we were digged," nor "despise the day of small things." Our fathers came to stay, and they possessed a goodly land for themselves and posterity. Let us appreciate their achievements, improve our inheritance, and deserve well the benedictions they distil upon us from the mansions of immortality.

CHAPTER IV.

A GENERATION OF PROGRESS DOWN TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PRECINCT.

Increase of Population, and Origin of the Precinct. — Causes of Alienation and Separation from Old Mendon. — Began in 1727, with the Project of building a New Meeting-House for the Town, soon after the Incorporation of Uxbridge. — The Long Series of Town-Meetings, Agitations, and Contentions about that Meeting-House. — The Mill-River "Aggrieved Party;" their Protests and Efforts to get set off as a Town or Precinct. — Secession of the "Aggrieved" Members from the First Church and Pastor Dorr. — Growth and Success of the Separation Movement. — Copy of their Petition to General Court.

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INCREASE OF POPULATION, AND ORIGIN OF THE PRECINCT.

FROM 1710 onward, there was a steady increase of population on our territory, though slow in comparison with the rush of our Western settlements in recent times. The grandchildren of the old Mendon proprietors possessed the heritage of their fathers, cleared up new farms, raised up large families, and multiplied their worldly goods. And they were re-enforced from all quarters by fresh immigrants, seeking better homes on hopeful soil. Thus the common lands were gradually absorbed into private ownership, more commodious buildings erected, the ugly cart-paths turned into passable roads, many convenient public ways laid out in various directions, water-privileges occupied with saw and grist mills, and manifold progress made in the substantial interests of the community. It might be entertaining to go into details somewhat, and specify persons, families, localities, enterprises, and improvements of various kinds: but perhaps these may as well be brought out incidentally, or in Part II. of this volume, the *Genealogical Register*, in which they will be more appropriate. I therefore waive them for the present, and enter

at once on the story of those causes which led to the establishment of a precinct here separate from the mother-parish in Mendon.

Why was there a separation? There are always reasons enough, good, bad, or indifferent, for such movements. Doubtless our Milford seceders might have worshipped in the old sanctuary in Mendon town several years longer without very great inconvenience, so far as numbers were concerned. But probably they had grown ambitious for what they deemed wholesome changes. Soon after Uxbridge was incorporated, in 1727, the project of a new meeting-house for the standing part of the town (then including what is now Mendon, Milford, and Blackstone) was agitated. A serious unpleasantness soon arose among the population east of Neck Hill, and toward Charles River. They began to dream of a new town and a new religious centre. Mendon hill seemed too far away for public worship, and even for municipal centralization. The location and erection of a new meeting-house became a bone of contention. It must be for the accommodation of the whole town, — a town whose extent and population rendered it a tough problem to solve. The territory extended from Hopkinton on the north to Rhode Island on the south, with a population spreading out every year from the parent central-seat, in all directions. It was a foregone conclusion with the metropolitan majority, that the new sanctuary must stand somewhere on their hill, and not very far distant from the old one. But the northerners and southerners insisted, that if they *must* help pay for a new edifice, which they deemed a hardship at best, it should be located as near them, respectively, as they could manage to get it, — even if only a few rods were gained. Parties and factions arose, who for years mutually buffeted and counter-checked each other. The Mendon records show, that between Aug. 28, 1727, and Aug. 30, 1731, no less than fifteen town-meetings were held on this general subject, either by original warrant or special adjournment. At all these meetings the main question, or some of its incidentals, developed hot discussions, contests, and protests. The nature and succession of votes passed will appear from the following abstract.

Aug. 28, 1727, "after considerable discourse concerning building a new Meeting House, the vote passed in the negative." Nov. 29, next following, "after considerable debate, etc., voted to dismiss the Article until a new summons." Feb. 19, 1728, "Voted to build a new Meeting House," and to set it "within *seventy rods* of the place where the Meeting House now stands." Vote scrupled, and proved by dividing the house and counting the polls. Protest by Thomas Sanford, then resident on the Amariah Taft place, against the vote

locating the site. Another protest by James Keith, then resident on the Quisset Luke Aldrich estate, against "the whole management of the above-said meeting." Aug. 30, same year, by adjournment from March 25, "Voted again to build, and to set the new House within *twenty rods* of the place where the House now stands." Dec. 10, 1729, voted again to build, but to refer its location "to a Committee of indifferent men:" adjourned to the 15th of December, when "Dea. John Tyler, Ebenezer Taft, Samuel Torrey, and Daniel Hill entered their protest against choosing" the said committee. But the meeting proceeded to choose "Mr. Ebenezer Stone of Newton, Jona. Ware, Esq., of Wrentham, Wm. Hunt, Esq., of Southborough, Capt. Edward Clark, of Medway, and Capt. Nathan Brigham, of Marlborough," as their referees; also, four men to meet with the referees, and lay the case before them. Then voted, "very fully," to "stand to and abide the judgment of the Committee." Feb. 16, 1730, voted "to build a meeting-house fifty feet long, forty-five feet wide, and twenty-four feet stud, and to be built a studded house." Committee of superintendence chosen, and funds raised for proper consummation of the undertaking. "At said meeting, voted, on a petition of sundry of the Inhabitants on the east side of the Mill River, that, provided the lands and inhabitants [there], or any part thereof, be set off as a particular Town within the space of ten years next ensuing the present date, that the Town reimburse to the petitioners so much money as shall . . . be assessed on them . . . towards building the present Meeting House for the Town." This indicates plainly what was brewing. At said meeting, John Tyler and others requested a vote taken on a proposition "to repair the old Meeting House till the Town should build two Meeting Houses, or the Town be divided." Decided in the negative. Thereupon twenty-eight townsmen, Mill-river men and their sympathizers nearer the town-seat, entered their protest against building the new house on the site designated by the referees, "and against raising any money to build the same." Thus the confusion increased.

April 6, 1730, voted that "five feet be taken from the forty-five in width of the Meeting House, and also two feet from the twenty-four in height." Moved to "alter the situation of the new Meeting House *layed* out by the Committee:" negatived. At a subsequent meeting, Moved to erect "the new House within twenty rods of the old one:" negatived. Moved "to build two Meeting Houses:" negatived. Moved to "repair the old house:" negatived. Moved to "make a regular division of the Town:" negatived. Oct. 22, 1730, moved to "set up the new meeting-house by the heap of stones made

by the Committee:" negatived. Moved to "set it within six or eight rods of the same place:" negatived. Moved to "set it up at the west end of the Burying Ground, where the timber lies:" passed in the affirmative. There the house was finally built. Thirteen voters protested on the spot against building the new house "any nearer the Burying Place than within twenty rods" of the old one, "and against allowing any thing, more or less, for raising the same, except it be within" the said twenty rods. Nevertheless, "Voted that money be raised by a rate to defray the charges of raising the new Meeting House." As to the provision part, voted "that the Town provide a *Barrel of Rhum*." Chose "Capt. Thos. Thayer, Daniel Lovett, and David How to take care to provide victuals and drink, and other materials." Moved that the town "build two Meeting Houses, and give our Minister liberty to preach in which he will:" negatived. Moved that the town "set off part of the north end to Hopkinton:" negatived. March 1, 1731, under consideration of a petition from Mill-river inhabitants to be "set off as a particular town," moved to grant the petition: negatived. May 18, ensuing, moved that the town "send to the General Court for a Committee to state a place for our new Meeting House:" negatived. Moved that the Town raise money to finish the new Meeting House where it now stands." Tried by hand-vote, and doubted. House divided, polls counted, and the motion carried. Aug. 30, 1731, by adjournment from June 21, moved "to choose a Committee to finish the new Meeting House." Tried by hand-vote, and the count scrupled, but decided in the affirmative by dividing the house. Chose a committee of three with full power to finish the meeting-house: "viz., Eleazer Daniels, Daniel Lovett, and Benj. Darling." Voted "to raise £100 by vote towards finishing," etc. Moved to choose a committee "to see if they could find out who hath, by cutting, *damnified* the new Meeting House:" negatived. It appears that soon after the house was raised, some person or persons, in the interest of the protesting minority, went by night and seriously damaged a portion of the frame by partly chopping off one or more of the corner-posts. But probably the majority thought it impolitic to make further inquisition into the matter. So the New Meeting-house party triumphed over their opponents in respect to their immediate object. But those opponents had been rendered extremely sore: indeed, they were henceforth irreconcilable. They considered themselves unjustly overborne, styled themselves "*the aggrieved party*," and firmly resolved not to rest till they should have obtained a separate corporate existence.

A considerable number of these "*aggrieved*" persons were mem-

bers of the First Church, and soon became much alienated from their non-sympathizing brethren, and especially from their pastor. Why they were so seriously disaffected towards him is somewhat mysterious. It can now only be guessed, as they, at a subsequent period, took particular pains to suppress all the papers that specified their complaints, having resolved to bury all their difficulties with him and the mother church. It is probable that they importuned him to favor their movement against the dominant party, and that he declined to do so. They might have gone so far as to insist on his reproving and disciplining some of the more violent members that opposed them; but Rev. Joseph Dorr was not only a discreet man to avoid improper interference between two such parties in his pastoral household, he was averse to partisanship and contention in his very constitutional nature. He is said to have been a modest, quiet, peaceable man, all his life long, though not wanting either in talent, intelligence, energy, or firmness, to discharge his duties according to settled convictions. Such a man in such a controversy would be apt to see faults on both sides, and to consider very deliberately whether he was likely to mend matters by sitting in public judgment on the complaints of extremists. Nor is it likely that either his temperament or judgment would dispose him to be a stern ecclesiastical disciplinarian. It is therefore quite natural that the *aggrieved*, if not their opposers, in this case should unjustly censure him.

How affairs went on between the parties, I will now set forth. At a town-meeting held Dec. 10, 1735: "Voted to choose a Committee to make answer to the Petition of sundry Inhabitants on the east side of Mill River, with reference to their being set off as a Town. Voted to choose five men for a Committee to prepare an Answer to said Petition in the Town's behalf; and that said Committee depute two men to go to Boston and join with Capt. Daniel Lovett, the Town's Representative, to make answer to the said Petition in Court." This shows that the *aggrieved* had gone for redress to the Legislature. The committee of five chosen by the Town were "Thomas Sanford, Jacob Aldrich, Eleazer Taft, Jona. Hayward, Jr., and Mr. James Keith." March 8, 1736, by adjournment from March 1, the petition of fifteen inhabitants on the easterly side of Mill River, to be set off as a separate town, came up for consideration. It was negatived. May 17 following, a petition came in for a separate precinct, and was voted down. May 21, 1739, the persistent Mill-river people sent in another petition to be set off as a separate town. Again negatived. May 19, 1740, the same operation of petition and negation was repeated. May 18, 1741, the *aggrieved*, through the Select-

men, requested that "the Town support their Minister in a mutual way, or give them leave to go off as a particular Precinct." I suppose they meant by the phrase, "a mutual way," voluntary contribution. The Town responded in the negative. Thus the petitioners seemed to be headed off, both before the Legislature and the Town; but they were an indomitable people, and appealed again to the General Court for relief. There the Town met their renewed petition with a fresh remonstrance, and for a time held them at bay; but it began to be suspected that they would ultimately win their cause.

Early in this year, 1741, the disaffected members of the church called an *ex-parte* ecclesiastical council, or what seemed virtually such, presented their grievances against the pastor, and procured some kind of sanction for their contemplated secession. This moved him to self-defence. To succeed in this he brought the matter before the Town for action. Due warning was given, and the meeting held March 2, 1741, when "the two following votes were proposed to the town by the Rev. Mr. Dorr: —

"Gentlemen, — Inasmuch as an opposing party have obtained a Judgment against the Minister of this Town, without a trial, relating to his administration; viz. of a Council chosen by themselves, in so private a manner that the Pastor of the Church had no copies of the letters missive until the letters were sent to the Churches: If you judge that the Minister of the Town ought to be defended against such proceedings, and you will defend him, signify it by lifting up your hands. The above written vote passed in the affirmative.

"Attest: William Rawson, *Moderator.*"

Then followed the second proposed vote, which, in substance, was that the Town should choose a committee of three men to confer with a like committee of loyal church-members, who, if thought advisable, might in unison call an ecclesiastical council to rectify the unjust *ex-parte* judgment. This also passed in the affirmative, and is attested on the record in like manner by the Moderator; but there was a tempest of opposition on the occasion, as appears from the ensuing record. The Moderator called for a vote to adjourn the meeting a fortnight. He declared the vote carried, and left the house. The opposers scrupled it, but no test was applied. "Notwithstanding the Moderator was gone out, those Gentlemen, whose names are entered here, did insist upon it to enter their Protest against the Adjournment of said meeting, and also against the foregoing votes concerning the Rev. Mr. Dorr; saying [that] the said meeting was not regulated according to law by the Moderator, as their reason. Names given in, &c., Daniel Taft, Esq., Capt. Daniel Lovett, Ensign Nathan

Tyler, Samuel Thayer, Dea. Nathaniel Nelson, Wm. Torrey, Jonathan Hayward, Jr., Josiah Adams, John Chapin, John Rockwood, Saml. Rawson, Benj. Green, Jno. French, Thos. White, Saml. Hayward, Geo. Aldrich, Robt. Aldrich, Ichabod Robinson, David Taft, Josiah Chapin,'' — twenty voters of the *aggrieved party*. This must have been a very unpleasant demonstration and state of things to the venerable pastor. However, when the adjourned meeting came round, March 16, 1741, he presented himself, and "proposed to the Town to choose three Gentlemen as a Committee to join the Church Committee in order to choose a Council to Judge of the Result of the late Council, relating to differences in the Church.'' Accordingly the Town chose for said committee Lieut. Ebenezer Taft, Lieut. Thomas Thayer, and Capt. Robert Taft. But the rapid march of events would seem to have foreclosed the movement for a rectifying council, and two years later the Town quietly laid the matter asleep.

Just after the forementioned action of the Town in defence of Mr. Dorr, the *aggrieved* (and perhaps aggriev*ing*) church-members took time by the forelock, and set about the formation of a new church. This will be better understood by the following copy of their records. "April ye 1st, 1741, being a Meeting of ye brethren of the Church of Mendon who are styled aggrieved, it was agreed to appoint Wednesday, ye 15th instant, to be a day of fasting and prayer, and renewing their covenant with God and one another, and settling their affairs according to ye order of the Gospel in these Churches. It was agreed to meet on said day at ye house of Eldr. Jones at nine of ye clock on said day. It was also agreed to send to ye Church of Hopkinton, the Church of Holliston, ye Church of Uxbridge, and ye Church of Upton, to assist in ye business of ye day; and that the Rev. Mr. Barret, or ye Rev. Mr. Stone, be desired to preach on said day. On said Meeting Dea. Nathaniel Nelson, Jonathan Hayward and William Sheffield were chosen to send letters to the abovesaid Churches, to desire their presence and assistance: and Elder Jones, Elder Adams and Ensign Tyler were chosen to make provision for ye Council on ye day abovesaid.

"April ye 15th, 1741. The brethren of ye church of Mendon, who have been styled aggrieved, met according to appointment; yn, with the assistance of the Elders and Messengers of ye Church of Hopkinton and the Church of Holliston, solemnly framed themselves into a Church state, by signing a Chh. Covenant.'' [Then follows a long, formal covenant, in accordance with the strict Congregational usages of those days.] "The Names of those who Signed the aforesaid Covenant are as follow. — John Jones, Josiah Adams, William Che-

ney, Nathan Tyler, Benjamin Green, Jonathan Hayward, John Chapin, William Sheffield, Nathaniel Nelson, William Cheney, Jr., John Binney, Jonathan Whitney, Abraham Jones, Moses Tenney, John French, Thomas Beard, Samuel Warren, Habijah French, William Hayward, Ephraim Daniels, Ebenezer Albee, Joseph Jones, Samuel Hayward, Benjamin Rockwood, Jonathan Thayer, Benjamin Hayward, Jr." [26.]

"And on the same day, April 15, 1741, the Rev. Mr. Barret of Hopkinton preached a sermon to ye new Chh. convened, and to those that were assembled with them; after which he read the abovesaid Covenant publicly before them, with the names of the signers; to which they publicly consented; and then were declared to be a Church of Christ, invested with all the privileges of those belonging in Church state, &c." "And then the Church proceeded in making choice of their officers, and elected John Jones and Josiah Adams, Elders, and Nathaniel Nelson, Deacon; and likewise chose William Sheffield, Scribe, to keep a journal of their proceedings till further order."

Thus promptly was the new church formed, organized, and established, before pastor Dorr and his friends could convene their contemplated rectifying council. This was also a very decided step towards an independent precinct. It made the pending separation almost a foregone conclusion. I return, therefore, to that closing process. The following is a copy of the Petition sent in to General Court by the Mill-river people, with the names of the subscribers: —

To his Excellency WILLIAM SHIRLEY, Esq., *Capt. General and Governor in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay, &c.; and to the Honble. the Council and the House of Representatives of said Province in General Court assembled this 25th d. November, 1741.*

The petition of sundry Inhabitants of the Town of Mendon in said Province hereunto subscribing Humbly sheweth: That the said Town of Mendon, in answer to a petition of sundry Inhabitants on the Easterly side of Mill River in said Town, did, at their meeting on Sept. the 22, 1741, Vote their consent That the lands in said Township lying on the Easterly side of Mill River to the Country Road by Sheffield's Mill, then bounding on said Road to Bellingham and Bounding on Bellingham, Holliston and Hopkinton, with all the Lands and Inhabitants who dwell on those lands within said lines, be a district and separate Township: — That the lands set off by the Town as aforesaid, with the polls and estates, rateable to the support of the Ministry, and being within said Boundaries, are not (your petitioners conceive) more than about one-third part of said Town, considered in respect to polls and estates: — That there are five families on the Westerly side of Mill River who choose to congregate with your petitioners and to be laid to them, whose lands also, at least some of them, will be much incommoded by re-

maining to the old Town; which families, if added to your petitioners, will, as your petitioners hope, render their charge of maintaining the gospel possible.

Your petitioners are nevertheless humbly of opinion that it would be more conducive to the peace and welfare of the whole, that your petitioners and others within the Bounds aforesaid, with the addition of those few families, be created a precinct, rather than a separate Township, and that the Ministry of both the Churches and Congregations in said Town may be supported by a Joint Stock, and every one attend the public ministry that is most convenient and agreeable.

Your petitioners humbly pray your Excellency and the Honble. Court, that the Inhabitants of Mendon, dwelling on the Easterly side of Mill River and adjoining as aforesaid to Bellingham, Holliston and Hopkinton, with their lands in said Township, Together with other lands on the Westerly side of said River up to a Road called the Eight Rod Road, and including Nathan Tyler's house and lands up to Upton line, may be created a separate Town, or a separate precinct, or that the public Ministry of both the Churches and Congregations in the Town of Mendon be supported by a Tax or Assessment upon the whole Town, as your Excellency and Honors shall judge most meet and convenient. And your petitioners shall ever pray, i.e.

Samuel Scammell.	John Jones.
Joseph Jones.	William Cheney.
Ephraim Daniels.	Nathaniel Jones.
Moses Tenney.	John Binney.
Joshua Underwood.	Amos Binney.
Habijah French.	Nathaniel Nelson.
James Godman.	Thomas Chaddock.
Moses Gage.	Abraham Jones.
William Legg.	John Chapin.
Ichabod Thayer.	William Cheney, jun.
Dearing Jones.	Nehemiah Nelson.
James Sumner.	Benjamin Hayward, jun.
Josiah Chapin.	Samuel Hayward.
Eliphalet Wood.	Joseph Sumner.
Benjamin Hayward.	Ebenezer Boynton.

And we whose names are hereunder written (being the owners of the lands of the five families above named) humbly pray that we with our lands may be annexed to the new Town or precinct, unless the Ministry be jointly supported.

Nathan Tyler. John Thwing. Thomas White.

Here was a knotty case for legislative wisdom to decide, and there was some delay in obtaining concurrent action. "House of Reps., Nov. 27, 1741. Petitioners allowed to bring in a Bill for a Township agreeable to Vote of the Town of Mendon, Sept. 22, 1741."

"In Council, Nov. 28, 1741. Concurred in with an Amendment." But the matter, after struggling through several votes of non-concurrence, was finally settled in December, as will be seen in the Act copied below, incorporating a precinct — not a town.

Although the Town at their meeting, July 22, 1741, had raised a committee of three to conduct their remonstrance before the General Court, yet, on the 22d September following, a vote prevailed to set off the petitioners as a separate town. But the meeting was adjourned to Oct. 6, by which time the opposition stiffened so, that when a motion was made "to give Mill River a part of the Ministry Land, School Land, or money belonging to the Town on the same account," it was negatived. Dec. 14, 1741, the Town considered a summons from the House of Representatives to show cause why the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted. Whereupon they recalled their vote of consent, and chose a committee of five to oppose the separation to the best of their ability. This was their last struggle, and they had to yield. All they could do was, to prevent the incorporation of the desired new town. So finally a precinct was conceded and sanctioned by both Houses of the Legislature. An authenticated copy of their Incorporating Act will fitly open the second section of this chapter.

INCORPORATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PRECINCT.

WEDNESDAY, Decem. 23, 1741. } Present in Council
His Excellency William Shirley, Esq. Governr.

William Pepperill,	Jacob Wendell,	Saml. Danforth,
Francis Foxcroft,	Anthy. Stoddard,	William Foye,
John Jeffries, Esqrs.	Jer. Moulton, Esqrs.	John Read, Esqrs.
Josiah Willard,	John Cushing,	John Greenleaf,
	Richard Bill.	

A Petition of John Jones and a considerable number of others, Inhabitants of the Town of Mendon; Praying that the Petitioners, with their families and Estates, within the Bounds expressed in the Petition, be erected into a separate Town or Precinct.

In the House of Representatives; Read again, together with the answer of the Town of Mendon thereupon; and Voted the prayer of the Petition be so far granted, as that the Inhabitants of Mendon, with their Estates lying on the Easterly side of Mill River, and bounded by said River, Bellingham, Hopkinton, and Holliston, including the Families with the Estates on the West side of said River to the Eight Rod road, as expressed and described in the Petition, together with Nathan Tyler and his lands, Samuel Rawson, Daniel Lovel [Lovett], William Hayward, Thomas White, Daniel White, William Hovey, Josiah Adams, Benjamin Green, Samuel Green and Ebenezer Albee, with their Estates, in the old or standing part of said Town, or so

many of them as shall join with the Petitioners in building a Meeting House and settling a Minister, be and hereby are erected into a distinct and separate Precinct; and that the Inhabitants thereof be invested with the same powers and Privileges as other Precincts do enjoy: Saving nevertheless, that Jonathan Hayward, John Green, Obadiah Wheelock, James Albee, Joseph Corbet, Thomas Beard, Benjamin Albee, James Albee, Jr., John Kilburn, John Green, Jr., Ebenezer Wheelock, William Sprague, Joseph Rockwood, Jonathan Haywood, John Haywood, William Sprague, Jr., and John White, living within the above mentioned Bounds, or so many of them as shall desire it, together with their Estates, may continue to the standing part of said Town, so long as they attend the public worship there, in a stated way, and no longer: Provided that the said Inhabitants, so set off, shall, within the space of two years from this time, erect a convenient Meeting House, and settle a learned orthodox Minister for the public Worship of God.

In Council Read and Concur'd.

Consented to. W. SHIRLEY.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON,
Aug. 30, 1876.

A true copy of record: Witness the seal of the Commonwealth.

HENRY B. PIERCE, *Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

[L. S.]

This document bears on its face the evidences of a severe struggle between the contending parties, and of a final compromise. The petitioners and their opponents were not divided by territorial lines. Some of the *aggrieved* resided in "the standing part of the Town," and some of the remonstrants dwelt on our territory. We notice that among the latter was Jonathan Hayward, whose name appears in the list of the new Church-members, as committed to the secession movement. He was either swerved backward into the opposite party, or was another man of the same name, probably the latter. There was a perpetual pulling and hauling between the parties, and he may have changed sides; but there were several Jonathan Haywards hereabouts in those days, who may have belonged to the opposing parties. The Incorporating Act also exempts from the new precinct Jonathan and John Hay*wood*. This is probably a mistake in somebody's spelling; as I find no evidence that there were in those days families of Hay*woods* in Mendon distinct from the Hay*wards*, though, a little later, many of the latter changed their name to *Howard*.

Most of the petitioners undoubtedly wanted a new town, rather than a precinct, but accepted the latter as the most they could get. Subsequent events showed, as we shall see, that they nursed persistently their hope of a town, till they obtained it, nearly forty years

later. For the then present they had to be content with a restricted precinct, and even with this on the stringent condition of building a meeting-house and settling a minister within two years. They immediately set themselves about this task, and barely accomplished it in time to save their charter; for neither their numbers nor funds were very ample.

The incorporated precinct was promptly organized by legal process. A warrant was issued by Daniel Taft, Esq., Justice Peace, dated Dec. 31, 1741 (only eight days after the passage of the Act), requiring Ensign Nathan Tyler, "in his Majesty's name," to notify and warn all the qualified voters concerned to meet at the house of Nehemiah Nelson on Monday, the ensuing 18th of January, at ten o'clock A.M., then and there to organize the precinct in due form. The Act gave no designating title to the new body politic: so it was sometimes called "the Mill-River Precinct," sometimes "the new Precinct," sometimes "the second Precinct," and at length most generally "the *Easterly Precinct* of Mendon." The appointed first meeting was held at Nehemiah Nelson's, who then lived at the Sylvanus Adams place, previously Zuriel Howard's, Jan. 18, 1741–2. Daniel Taft, Esq., presided; and the following officers were chosen: viz., "William Cheney, jun., Clerk; Capt. Daniel Lovett, Ensign Nathan Tyler, Dea. Nathaniel Nelson, Jona. Hayward, jun., and John Jones, jun., Committee for calling meetings." This committee were a sort of precinct Selectmen. I will, however, hereafter designate them as the *Executive Committee*. Thus the new precinct was inaugurated, henceforth to hold its annual meetings in the month of March, as prescribed by law to precincts and towns generally.

The next things in order necessary to the establishment of the new precinct were the erection of a meeting-house and the settlement of a minister. These requisites must not be delayed. Accordingly, at a precinct meeting held at Nehemiah Nelson's, Jan. 26, 1741–42, assessors and a collector were chosen, and the following votes passed: 1. "To state a place for a Meeting-House for the public worship of God." 2. To decide on which of the two places nominated, the edifice should stand. "One place was where the road that comes from Abijah French's and the road that comes from Benjamin Hayward's meet with Sherborn road; viz., the north side of said Sherborn road." "The other place was where the road that comes from Isaac Parkhurst's meets with Sherborn road; viz., near the north corner of Nathaniel Morse's wall." The first-named place must have been in the vicinity of the present Congregational Church, perhaps ten rods southerly towards Water Street. This location got thirty-two votes.

The other could not have been far from Mrs. Ziba Thayer's place. *That* received twenty-nine votes. 3. A committee of outsiders was chosen "to state" a site; viz., "Dea. Ebenezer Read of Uxbridge, Dea. Thomas Marshall of Holliston, and Eld. Joseph Haven of Hopkinton." 4. "To raise eighty pounds to defray the charges for preaching for the future." 5. "To hire preaching for two months next ensuing." 6. "That Dea. Nathl. Nelson, Ens. Nathan Tyler, and Thos. Wiswall, with the Elders of the Church, be a Committee to provide a minister." 7. "To provide for building a Meeting-House . . . to be 40 feet in length and 35 feet in width." 8. That Thos. Tenney, Wm. Cheney, jun., Ens. Nathan Tyler, John Jones, jun., and John Rockwood, be a Committee to provide materials, and have oversight of said work."

May 6, following, the Church, after "solemn prayer to the Great Head of the Church for his presence and direction," appointed "Wednesday, the 19th of May current, as a day of solemn fasting and prayer, to seek of God his direction and blessing in calling and settling a Pastor over us." They then voted to invite Revs. Loring of Sudbury, Messenger of Wrentham, Peabody of Natick, Hall of Sutton, and Prentice of Grafton, to meet with and assist them in their appointed fast services. Next, they voted to adjourn their business-meeting to the 20th May, or day after the fast. It is pleasant to find also that they relented towards their old pastor and brethren, and further voted to invite Mr. Dorr to their fast, "and that he (with so many of his brethren as shall please) be desired to attend said adjourned meeting, to see if an agreement may by accomplished between the two Churches in Mendon." They had carried their point for a separation, and, as often happens in such cases, felt more amicable. The fast was duly observed, probably at Elder Jones's in the Dale; and two acceptable sermons preached, one in the A.M. by Rev. Mr. Haven, and the other, P.M., by Rev. Mr. Loring. The adjourned meeting was held on the 20th May with good results, and further adjourned to the 24th. Then, after much prayer and consideration, the Church gave a unanimous call to Mr. John Bass, their then candidate preacher, to settle with them as pastor. The precinct immediately concurred, terms of settlement were stipulated, and negotiations formally opened. But Mr. Bass finally declined the call, and a new candidate had to be sought.

Meantime the precinct wheels were somewhat retarded by friction in relation to the meeting-house movement. An important meeting was called for the 10th February, 1741–42, to see what the precinct would do about certain points of difficulty. At that meeting, Jona-

than Hayward, jun., being moderator, the first question was, "whether the Precinct would abide or stand by the judgment of the committee chosen to state a place for a Meeting-House?" This passed in the affirmative. Next, when should that committee come to state the place? Voted they should come on the 17th of that same month. Next, a committee of six, representing the two parties, was chosen to attend on the referees, and present their respective reasons. The precinct then instructed their building-committee to proceed with their work "so far as to raise, cover, and enclose the House." It was also voted to raise two hundred pounds towards defraying the charge of building the house; to pay the committee expected to "state the place;" and to "allow men six shillings per day for work about said House, they boarding themselves; and the carpenters eight shillings per day, they finding their own board likewise; viz., till the first of May next."

For some unrecorded reason, the place-stating committee either did not adjudicate the matter at the time appointed, or failed to give satisfaction. The annual meeting took place March 18, ensuing; and, after choice of officers, a motion was made and carried to add two gentlemen to the before-chosen committee, and abide the judgment of the majority. So John Jones, Esq., of Hopkinton, and Mr. Ebenezer Littlefield of Holliston, were added. The 12th of April was appointed for the committee to meet at Mr. Ichabod Robinson's, and the proper preparations were made to wait on them. Their decision, omitting the preamble, stands recorded thus: —

We "are of opinion, That the Knowl, or Rising Ground at the Country Road leading from Holliston to Mendon, where the Cross Roads meet, [one of] which comes from Habijah French's, and on the Southwesterly corner of Joseph Sumner's Lot in said Mendon Easterly Precinct, is the best place for a Meeting-House to stand on, and will accommodate the Inhabitants of said Precinct, with the families in the standing part of Mendon; viz., Josiah Adams, Benjamin Green, and Samuel Rawson," &c.

JOHN JONES,
EBENEZER READ,
JOSEPH HAVEN,
THOMAS MARSHAL,
EBN^R. LITTLEFIELD,
Committee.

MENDON, April ye 13, 1742.

The Joseph Sumner whose *lot* of land is above mentioned seems to have been the son of the first Joseph, the original settler who died in 1735. The place stated for the meeting-house being settled with

slight chance of much variation, and funds voted for a fair beginning of the edifice, there appeared to be no reason for delay. But there were fresh hinderances. Several inhabitants of the precinct desired to be released from impending pecuniary responsibilities, by being allowed to go off to old Mendon and to Bellingham as parishioners. Some of these even petitioned the Gen. Court for such privileges. Of course the new precinct had no members to spare, and strenuously opposed all such attempts. Nor could they readily get their meeting-house site and common settled to their liking. The building-committee, too, were dilatory. Hence, at their meeting, July 26, 1742, we find them voting as follows: That the meeting-house "shall be built on a spot of ground northerly of Mr. Robinson's barn, where the Inhabitants this day set up a stake; provided those that subscribed to build a Frame shall prepare and have it ready to be raised by the 26th day of November next; and provided also, that Mr. Robinson will give the Precinct half an acre of land for that purpose." I suppose that this changed the spot slightly. The owner of the desired half-acre of land appears to have been Wm. Robinson, the father of Ichabod, into whose hands it soon fell. Whether William Robinson, a non-resident, would *give* or *sell* the land, remained a question. Time did not halt, and a precinct-meeting was called for Dec. 15, 1742, to see whether the building-committee intended to provide covering, etc., for the meeting-house, or whether a new committee must be chosen; and, especially, whether the money needed must be raised by subscription or rate. For the main trouble with the builders was the lack of ready money. However, when the meeting convened, they remedied this evil; and the work proceeded, though still tardily. At length, after various hinderances, the meeting-house, as to its externals, was nearly completed about the 20th September, 1743; but, internally, very little had been done except to lay a temporary floor, and improvise a few crude seats for precinct business-meetings. The first of these was held there by adjournment from Ichabod Robinson's, on the aforesaid 20th September, 1743. It is possible that some sabbath meetings for public worship were also held there before the cold season set in; but there is no record of it in either precinct or church chronicles. It would seem from the records extant that regular sabbath meetings were held at private dwellings, from the organization of the church, April 15, 1741, onward. At first, it is probable, they were held once a month, then once a fortnight perhaps, and throughout 1743 generally every week, or nearly so. After Mr. Bass declined his call to the pastorate, supplies were obtained from neighboring ministers and available unsettled preachers,

until Mr. Amariah Frost became a candidate for settlement. During this period the precinct had its hands full of responsibilities. It was hard to get money into the treasury; the disaffected resorted to General Court for liberty to join other parishes, and must be resisted; the territorial limits and corporate powers of the precinct were so inexact, that redress had to be sought of the Legislature; preaching and public worship must be provided for; the meeting-house must be finished, and a minister must be settled before the 24th of December, 1743. To discharge all these responsibilities, it often happened that funds raised by vote for one purpose had to be used temporarily for another; and, when rates could not be collected, resort must be had to voluntary contributions, or to credits, — all which clogged the wheels of executive progress. But business and events went forward as best they could.

In ecclesiastical affairs the young church led off vigorously. They were bound to obtain a pastor in due season. They were pleased with young Mr. Frost's ministrations. Again they held a solemn fast, and besought God in prayer to direct them in their pursuit. This was on the 29th September, 1743. At the meeting which appointed this day of fasting and prayer, they "Voted that John Jones, Josiah Adams, Capt. Tyler, Dea. Nelson, Jona. Whitney, John Binney, John Chapin, Abraham Jones and Joseph Jones be a Committee to attend on the Examination of Mr. Amariah Frost concerning his principles relating to the Doctrines of the Gospel, [which was to be made] by some of the Ministers," etc. The next day after the fast, viz., Sept. 30, 1743, a meeting was held, and "The Church then Voted, all as one, to have Mr. Amariah Frost for their Pastor." Meantime a complete reconciliation had been effected with Rev. Mr. Dorr and the mother church in Mendon, so that the First and Second Churches of Christ in Mendon were now in harmony. Pending that reconciliation, the daughter church passed the following very pacific and judicious vote: viz., "That after a Reconciliation is effected betwixt us and the First Church in Mendon, we will not countenance any person or persons keeping any private writing containing ill reflections upon the Rev. Mr. Dorr's moral character or doctrine, but will endeavor to quash every such writing which may be found." This vote was passed Dec. 8, 1742. A very wise resolve, and probably a very just one, as it is extremely doubtful whether there was any warrantable ground for such "ill reflections."

On the 31st October, 1743, "Mr. Amariah Frost gave in the Answer of his acceptance of the Call of the Church in presence of the Church and other inhabitants of the Precinct." The Precinct forth-

with formally concurred in the call, and in making all necessary preliminary arrangements for his ordination. This was appointed to take place Dec. 21, 1743, just two days within the two years' time allowed in the Act of Incorporation. Letters missive were sent out to the following-named churches: Framingham, Hopkinton, First Mendon, Upton, two in Wrentham, Uxbridge, Holliston, and Medfield. The council were to meet at the house of Elder John Jones in the Dale. On the 14th of December, a few days preceding Mr. Frost's ordination, the church, with the assistance of the Second Church in Wrentham and the one in Uxbridge, solemnly ordained their two ruling elders elect; viz., Josiah Adams and John Jones. In those days ruling elders were officers of potent authority in most of the Congregational churches.

Early A.M. on the appointed 21st December, 1743, the ordaining council opened at the house of Eld. Jones. Present, by pastors and delegates, Medfield church, the two churches in Wrentham, Hopkinton church, Uxbridge, Holliston, Framingham, and First Mendon. Rev. Mr. Baxter was chosen moderator. When the Chh. covenant had been read and certain preliminaries considered, there arose a serious division of views in the council in respect to the standing of the new chh. and the powers it claimed for its ruling elders. A minority of the council appear to have felt a decided aversion to the assumed power of ruling elders to veto and overrule the co-ordinate authority of the pastor and majority of the church-members. They therefore moved the council to send into the church several written questions, in order to ascertain what powers they invested their ruling elders with. 1. "Whether the act of the Brethren of the Church with the Ruling Elds. be a valid act without the consent of the Pastor?" 2. "Whether the Ruling Elds. and the minor part of the Brethren be capable of Negativing the Pastor and major part of the Chh?" 3. "Whether the vote of the major part of the Chh. with the Pastor be a valid act without the consent of the Ruling Elds.?" The church returned answers which satisfied the majority, and also Mr. Frost; but the minority of the council declined to go on with the ordination. This minority stood *seven* to *fifteen*, and included Rev. Mr. Baxter, the moderator. The majority then elected Rev. Mr. Messinger moderator, and proceeded with the ordination ceremonies. The minority disclaimed all desire to disfellowship the new church or its chosen pastor, and declared that from sense of duty only they made their protest against the assumptions of ruling eldership. Whether their protest had much influence, or was itself merely a weather-vane indicating the course of the wind, I do not know — probably the latter;

for ruling eldership gradually died out of Congregational churches, and is now barely historical.

At what hours the ordaining council concluded their discussion, their ordination ceremonies, or festive entertainment, is not told in the records. Nor is it told *where* the services were solemnized; but I think we may safely infer that there was considerable delay in the performances, and that they all took place in the commodious mansion of the Joneses, latterly known as the *Old House* in Hopedale. What the record does tell is, that Mr. Frost formally joined the church as a member; that the church made choice of Rev. Mr. Haven to give the charge, and the council of Rev. Mr. Webb to give the right hand of fellowship; and that Rev. Messrs. Messinger, Webb, and Haven "assisted in and carried on the solemnities of the day." The account ends with the following words: "The Rev. Mr. Messinger preached an excellent sermon from 2 Tim. 2: 15: 'Study to show thyself approved unto God,' &c. Rev. Mr. Haven gave the Charge, and the Rev. Mr. Webb the Rt. Hand of Fellowship — all being carried on with great decency and solemnity." Doubtless the most ample and luscious refreshments of those times were furnished for the occasion, and the multitude rejoiced together in the triumphant establishment of the Easterly Precinct and Second Church of Christ in Mendon.

CHAPTER V.

PRECINCT AND CHURCH DOWN TO 1780.

Principal Acts, Actors, and Events of the Precinct. — Many Minor Details necessarily passed over. — Concerning the Settlement, Salary, and Support of Mr. Frost, at first by Rate, and finally by Contribution. — Concerning the Site, Erection, and Slow Completion of the Meeting-House. — Some Curious Particulars. — Concerning the First Burying-Place, our Oldest Graveyard. — The Proceedings. — Names of Precinct Moderators, Clerks, Executive Committee, Treasurers, etc.

Church Affairs. — Brief Narrative of Transactions, Experiences, and Events. — Number of Admissions to Membership, Baptisms of Children, etc. — Its Strict Accordance as to Covenant, Creed, Ordinances, and Discipline, with their Congregational Standards. — Later some Relaxation. — Its Complement of Officers. — Its Sore Troubles for a Few Years with Certain Seceders, or Come-outers. — Its Relations with the Baptists. — How it compromised with Certain Prejudices against using in the Pulpit a Large Bible donated to it. — Its Succession of Ruling Elders and Deacons.

PRINCIPAL ACTS, ACTORS, AND EVENTS OF THE PRECINCT.

HAVING set forth the origin, organization, and establishment of the precinct with its church, as culminating in the settlement of a "learned orthodox Minister," Dec. 21, 1743, I will devote this chapter to a sketch of the principal acts, actors, and events of the precinct and church down to the year 1780, when Milford was incorporated as a town, giving the first section to those of the precinct. It will not be expected that I should be able to cover so much ground, and be very minute. I must pass over in silence the mass of minor details, many of which I should be glad to notice, and confine myself to particulars which seem sufficiently important or interesting to require attention in this volume. Happily the existing precinct and church records are quite full, well preserved, and accessible; so that curious inquirers, who wish to know more than I have space to tell, can easily search it out for themselves.

The chief responsibility of the precinct related to preaching, the meeting-house, and the burying-place. To these there were many incidentals of importance. Occasional specialties, of course, demanded consideration. They had provided for regular ministrations of the gospel, by the settlement of Rev. Mr. Frost. How was he to have a comfortable home, and be supported from year to year? The

original contract between the parties was, that he should have a "settlement" of one hundred pounds payable within two years, and an annual "salary" of forty pounds payable in halves on the first days of May and November; but he was to be paid in the paper currency of those times, which was of rather uncertain value. It is therefore impossible to estimate accurately the real worth of his one hundred pounds settlement, and forty pounds salary. The Province of Massachusetts had put in circulation, previous to 1740, not less than three considerable emissions of bills of credit. The first was called "old tenor," the second "middle tenor," and the third "new tenor." Their gradual depreciation was great, and caused much distress among the people; but Mr. Frost took his chance with his flock. How was the money pledged for his support to be raised? There was a "Ministry Fund" in Mendon, arising from glebe-lands originally set apart for that purpose. The easterly precinct was allowed a portion of the annual income of that fund. Their dividend of this "Ministry Money," some six to seven pounds a year, was regularly turned in to eke out Rev. Mr. Frost's salary. All the rest of their revenue, for many years, had to be raised by direct taxation, i.e., "by rate," as the phrase then was. Voluntary contribution commenced in 1776, amid the agitations, troubles, and necessities of the American Revolution. Whether Mr. Frost got his one hundred pounds settlement money within the two years, as by contract promised, is doubtful; but probably interest was paid him on all arrearages till he obtained his full dues. This may be inferred from his recorded receipt, dated March 1, 1752, which is thus expressed: "Received of the Precinct Treasurer the full of my settlement and salary to this present date." His salary continued at forty pounds till May 16, 1748, when the precinct, pursuant to an Act of Gen. Court for the relief of clergymen suffering from a stinted support and hard times, voted him an extra of thirty-five pounds. In 1750 they raised his regular salary to fifty pounds, "lawful money." In 1752 they added to his fifty pounds their share of the Mendon interest accruing on the "Ministry Money." In 1753 they voted him £53, 6*s.* 8*d.*, and their dividend of said interest. In 1755 they raised him sixty pounds, besides that interest; and after some years they made him up £66, 13*s.* 4*d.* This was the height of his support down to 1776. Then, Sept. 16, the record says the vote was "called, whether it be the minds of the precinct to support Rev. Mr. Frost by free contribution the present year, for every one that sees cause thus to contribute to carry such contribution to the Rev. Mr. Frost, and for him to keep the account, and make return to the precinct at the

expiration of the year; which vote proved to be in the affirmative." The same method continued till the precinct was merged in the newly incorporated town, 1780. How well it worked, how much the pastor received, or in what articles of value the contributions consisted, is not told. Probably, in those stirring and trying times, his annual income was rather scanty; but, having arrived at the period when the town superseded the precinct, we will pause and take up the proceedings of the latter in respect to their

MEETING-HOUSE.

At the time of Mr. Frost's ordination, as stated in the preceding chapter, the meeting-house was but a decently covered frame. Its outside carpentry and glazing had been finished in the plain substantial style of those times; but the interior had as yet only a temporary flooring and seating. All the inside work remained to be done; nor had the edifice been underpinned, excepting at the supporting points, nor touched by the painter's brush. I will sketch its subsequent history down to the incorporation of the precinct into a town, — commencing where I left off in the last chapter.

In the warrant of the Executive Committee for a precinct-meeting on the 30th May, 1744, among other articles to be acted on, there was one "To see whether the Precinct will choose a Committee to provide, and go on and finish the Precinct Meeting House to the turning of the key." Nothing having been done, the same was repeated in the next warrant, which was for a meeting Sept. 17, 1744. Then "Voted that the Committee already chosen on the affair of the Meeting House proceed to lay the floor." Jan. 22, 1744–45, "Voted to allow and reserve five feet in width round on the inside of this Precinct's Meeting House for pews, except convenient room for the pulpit and stairs and doors. Voted to leave three feet and a half for an alley from the front door to the pulpit." Declining further dependence on the old committee, "Voted that Mr. Jonathan Howard [Hayward], Mr. Joshua Green and Mr. John Chapin be a Committee to proceed in the affair of the Meeting House, so far as to build a pulpit, and Deacons' seat, and the body seats; [also] to build the stairs and lay the gallery floor." March 5 next following, "Voted to raise £80, old tenor, towards finishing the Meeting House." Aug. 30, 1745, "Voted that Ichabod Robinson should be added to the Committee that was chosen to finish the Precinct's Meeting House." "Voted to build one pew for the Minister's family, . . . where the Rev. Mr. Frost shall choose to have it. Voted to give the Elders and Deacons [space] on the floor to build one pew on the contrary

side of the pulpit from Mr. Frost's pew. Voted to sell the floor or pew room in this Meeting House; viz., all that has not been already disposed of by gift. Voted that Thomas Tenney, Jona. Howard, Dea. Daniel Corbett, Lieut. Wm. Sheffield and Daniel Sumner should act in behalf of the Precinct in that affair. Voted that the remains of the finishing of the Meeting House and the underpinning be left to the Precinct Committee, chosen for the finishing of the Meeting House." It will be readily seen that mainly floor-room was sold or given for pews, and that the pews were to be built by individual owners for themselves. This was the general, if not universal, custom of those times.

"March 31, '46; Voted to go on and finish the Meeting House, so far as the pew-money shall accommodate in that affair. Voted to raise £100, old tenor, to finish said Meeting House. Voted to ceil the walls, or inside, of this Meeting House with boards so high from the lower floor as to extend to the bottom, or lower part, of the windows. Voted to ceil with boards four feet high round in the galleries, from the hinder part of the gallery floors, and from the stairs so high as is ceiled in the gallery. Voted to lath and plaster the walls in this Meeting House, all that has not been already. Voted to ceil with boards, and also to lath and plaster overhead all under the beams, and likewise to lay a floor over all the joists that are in the beams. Voted to build the breast-work round the galleries, and make the seats in the galleries, and cap all the windows, and whatsoever is necessary to finish the inside of the Meeting House, except building the pews." "Voted that the Committee already chosen . . . should go on and finish their Meeting House. Voted that the pews on each side of the pulpit should extend so far forward as the Deacons' seat." So many votes at one meeting seem to have *meant business*, yet no great haste was made. "Jan. 12, '46–7; Voted to sell the pews in the galleries;" which was left to the finishing committee. At the adjourned meeting, Jan. 26, this vote was reconsidered, and the gallery-pews ordered to continue in possession of the precinct. March 3 ensuing, "Voted to sell the pews in the galleries, provided they be sold to the satisfaction of the Precinct. Voted that Capt. Nathan Tyler, Ebenezer Boynton and Dea. Nathaniel Nelson should be a Committee to sell said pews, and to bring the money . . . into the Precinct Treasury. Voted to raise £50, old tenor, towards finishing the Meeting House." Aug. 26, 1747, "Voted to Jonathan Howard 8*s*., old tenor, for recording a Deed of the land on which the Meeting House now stands." This vote may receive explanation farther along. Nov. 16 following: "Voted to choose Capt. Nathan Tyler,

Lieut. Wm. Sheffield, Dea. Daniel Corbett, Mr. Thos. Tenney and Mr. Eben^{r}. Boynton to seat the Meeting House." On the 30th of the same month, "Voted to exchange land with Mr. Ichabod Robinson; . . . and that the Bounds of the land that the Meeting House stands on begin at the corner of Mr. Ichabod Robinson's fence, on the north side of said Meeting House, then running with a direct line to the southernmost corner, or end of Mr. Robinson's wall, on the north side of his barn. Capt. Nathan Tyler, Lieut. Wm. Sheffield, Mr. Jona. Howard, Mr. Thos. Tenney and Dea. Nathl. Nelson, were chosen a Committee to [give] an acquittance to Mr. Thos. Wiswall, and take a Deed of Mr. Ichabod Robinson of the land on which the Easterly Precinct's Meeting House stands." From all this it would appear that the precinct first had land deeded to them from Thomas Wiswall, which was afterwards exchanged under an arrangement made with Mr. Robinson. The first Deed must therefore be the one which Jonathan Howard, *alias* Hayward, received eight shillings for getting recorded. The following is a verbatim copy of Robinson's deed, so far as concerns its description of the premises, as attested by the Register of Worcester Deeds: —

"A certain tract or piece of land *scit*uate and lying and being in Mendon Easterly Precinct where the Meeting House for the public worship of God now stands, *buted* & bounded as followeth: Beginning at a heap of stones at the road that leads from Ichabod Robinson's to Sher*bourn*, being the Southeasterly corner; then bounded Northerly upon the road that leads from Sherbourn road to Ebenezer Boynton — *nineteen rod* and three quarters of a rod to a heap of stones, being the Northeasterly corner; then bounded Westerly upon Ichabod Robinson lands eight rod and a half to a heap of stones, being two rod & four feet from the Southwesterly corner of the meeting house where it now stands; then bounded Southwesterly upon Ichabod Robinson land fourteen *rod* to a heap of stones by the said road that leads to Sherbourn; being the Southwesterly corner; then bounded upon Sherbourn road six *rod* & *an* half to the first mentioned bounds, & said *peace* of land being six *rod* and — half wide where the meeting house now stands and it being fourteen rod from s^{d} meeting house to the road that leads to Sherbourn. The whole of s^{d} *peace* of land, containing half an acre & twenty four *rod* be it more or less."

Worcester Ss. The above is a true copy of the description in the record of a warranty deed from Ichabod Robinson to the inhabitants of the Easterly Precinct in Mendon, dated by acknowledgment Dec. 17, 1748, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, Book 27, p. 507.

Attest: Harvey B. Wilder, *Reg^{r}*.

Probably the specified boundaries of these premises were sufficiently intelligible to all parties concerned in 1748; but the subsequent altera-

tions of the designated roads have rendered them somewhat obscure to inquirers of the present generation. It would be interesting to know exactly where Sherborn road originally lay in relation to the parish common, and where the road lay that led out of Sherborn road to Ebenezer Boynton's. But these questions need not be discussed here. It suffices to know that the easterly precinct obtained, after some delay, a satisfactory title to their meeting-house site and common.

At a precinct-meeting, Aug. 26, 1748, "Voted to repair the Meeting House glass. Voted to color the Meeting House doors, window frames, weather boards, corner boards, eve troughs and the two bottom boards." At a meeting on the 16th December, the same year, held by adjournment from the 12th, it seems to be implied that the meeting-house was at last nearly or quite finished; that the committee had been reckoned with; and that the precinct felt too poor to allow them any thing for their official services. For it was tried, "whether the Precinct would allow the Meeting House Committee any thing for their trouble serving on that affair; which vote passed in the negative." Then it was tried, "whether the Precinct would allow Samuel Howard [any thing] for collecting the £200 rate; and said vote passed in the negative." So those official servants had to content themselves with their laurels of honor alone.

Nothing more important than slight repairs and alterations took place in the meeting-house for the next twenty years. The only one of the alterations worth mentioning is a mere curiosity; as such I will notice it. March 9, 1758, "Voted to give Mr. Jesse Sumner and Mr. Nathaniel Cheney, provided that they take in three partners, liberty to build a pew over the men's stairs, provided that they build so high as in no wise to hurt the passing up and down said stairs." It is probable that said pew was built, though nothing more is said about it. I have tried in vain to get any trace of that Mr. Jesse Sumner's genealogy. The pew must have been rather unique in some respects. The precinct had, of course, to bear all the incidental expenses, as well as more solid cost of their meeting-house, from getting its site *stated* down to the merest repair. They annually chose a person to open, shut, sweep, and take care of it, a sort of sexton, who was regularly voted a moderate compensation.

Thus matters went on till 1769, when it began to be felt by some in the precinct that their meeting-house needed important repairs, additions, or renewal. So, under the warrant for a meeting, Sept. 11, of that year, the question of repairing came up. It was negatived, but not allowed to sleep. The next warrant contained an arti-

cle "To see whether the Precinct will do any thing as to repairing said Precinct's Meeting-House, or make any addition to said House." March 6, 1770, negatived squarely. The next warrant suggested "repairing or new building." Again negatived. The same fate followed renewed propositions in January, 1771. In March next following there was a struggle to get an addition voted. It prevailed for a moment, but was recalled. The friends of improvement and their opponents repeatedly contested the question in its various forms, sometimes quite sharply, till at length it was submerged in the great common struggle to get the precinct set off from Mendon, and incorporated as a town. So the old meeting-house experienced no material change till after 1780. We will now turn back and see what the precinct did concerning a

BURYING-PLACE.

The following abstract of proceedings will indicate the course of events. Precinct-meeting, March 3, 1746–47: "Voted that Dea. Nathaniel Jones [apply] to Mr. Amos Binney, and get security of half an acre of land for a Burying Place, where several of this Precinct have already buried their dead." This implies a previous negotiation or understanding between the parties, in pursuance of which several burials had taken place on the premises. Whether Amos Binney was a resident in the precinct, is doubtful; but, if so, it would seem that about this time he removed to Hull, where he formerly belonged. It seems also, from subsequent transactions, that he and Thomas Bailey were joint owners of the land whereof the said half-acre was a part. Bailey, too, a native of Hull, returned to that place. Aug. 26, 1748, "Capt. Nathan Tyler, Dea. Daniel Corbett, Mr. Habijah French, Mr. Daniel Sumner, and Mr. Jona. Bond were chosen a Committee to purchase a Burying-Place." But meanwhile Mendon proprietors donated ten acres of their common land to the easterly precinct for a burying-place. (See proprietor's small record-book, p. 24, date Jan. 30, 1748.) March 1, 1748–49, the precinct voted to sell said ten acres to John Chapin for ten pounds, old tenor, and devote the money to the purchase of a burying-place. This sale was made, and the Mendon proprietors, May 27, 1749, "Laid out for John Chapin twelve acres of land, viz., — ten acres of land that was granted by the proprietors of Mendon to the Easterly precinct in said Mendon for a burying place, and two acres of his own, 11th Division: laid together east from Jona. Whitney's house," etc., near Holliston line. (See small book above referred to, p. 30.) Sept. 11, 1749, the precinct "Voted to buy a piece of land of Mr. Isaac Parkhurst,

near the Easterly-Precinct Meeting-House. Mr. Ichabod Robinson, Samuel Wheelock, Jona. Whitney, John Chapin and James Sumner were chosen a Committee to act in that affair." The most diligent search has failed to find any further record or reference to this committee's negotiation with Isaac Parkhurst. For some unaccountable reason the matter fell through, so far as Parkhurst was concerned. Nor can any deed or title to the burying-place be found on record, securing the same to the precinct, except the following: Under date of Oct. 1, 1747, "Thomas Bailey, Cordwainer, and Amos Binney, Mariner, both of Hull in the County of Suffolk," executed a power of attorney giving Rev. Amariah Frost of Mendon authority "to sell, alien, convey and confirm unto any body that will buy, a certain piece of land lying and being in the Township of Mendon, containing near a hundred acres, more or less." (See Registry of Deeds, Worcester, book 23, p. 489.) In virtue of this power of attorney, Rev. Mr. Frost sold the said land to Ephraim Twitchell, jun., and conveyed the same to him by a deed dated Aug. 2, 1748, recorded in the Registry of Deeds, Worcester, book 26, page 476. This tract of land constituted all, or certainly a large part, of the Twitchell farm, heretofore familiarly known among us as thus designated. It included the whole of our oldest burying-place or cemetery, the one under notice. But the deed from Frost to Twitchell made the following reservation: "*Excepting out of said lands three-quarters of an acre for a Burying-place as shall be agreed upon most comodious therefor upon Nath*^{el} *Morse line.*" It is presumed that the precinct authorities agreed with Twitchell on the situation and boundaries of this burial-ground reservation; but no record of it has been found, nor any further title save undisturbed possession. The case is rather singular and curious. Aug. 27, 1753, "Voted to buy a funeral cloth," and that Mr. Ichabod Robinson purchase it. Nothing is said about a bier or a hearse, though probably they had at least some sort of bier. But the "funeral cloth" was then and long afterwards deemed fashionably important. It was a large black spread of woollen cloth, often bordered and tasselled, and called the pall. At funerals, and especially the more public ones, it was spread over the coffin, and added much to the solemnity as well as dignity of the occasion. At this same meeting it was moved to fence the burying-place, but not carried. The same decision was repeated Nov. 8, 1756. But Aug. 29, 1757, the movers had better success. "Voted to fence the Burying Place with stone wall four feet and a half high, by the 15th of November next. Voted that Josiah Chapin, Dea. John Chapin and Samuel Torrey should be a Committee to take care that the abovesaid work

be done, &c. Voted that there should be one pair of Bars at the east end of said Burying-Place." This first and only cemetery of the precinct never received very extraordinary attention in the way of ornamentation or even necessary care. Such was not then the fashion. Tolerable fencing was deemed sufficient, with perhaps occasional endeavors to keep down the brush. This last was aimed at in the following vote, Aug. 28, 1759: "Voted to let Eleazer Wight have the use of the Burying Place the remainder of this year; provided he clears up the under brush well and burns it, &c." It was afterwards offered for rent, but seldom sought for as desirable. So it received few flattering attentions, and in 1780 passed under the superintendence of the town.

In the outset of this chapter I alluded to other specialties of precinct responsibility. The most important of these related to a series of measures for bringing about the incorporation of the precinct as a town. I will therefore defer them to another chapter, particularly devoted to the induction and inauguration of our town. It may seem to some minds that I have bestowed undue attention on the history of the precinct, inasmuch as I cannot reasonably give half the amount to younger religious societies. It should, however, be considered that the precinct originally comprehended nearly the whole of our present territory; that it was long an influential body politic, including nearly all the ancestral population within our limits; and that it was, in fact, incipiently the town of Milford. In this view, the story of its efforts, experiences, and progress deservedly commands more detailed elaboration than any of our comparatively recent religious societies. But these shall not be slighted. The ancient Congregational church, so closely identified with the precinct, requires a few pages of condensed narration, in order to round out this chapter. Before I add these I judge it interesting to give a catalogue of the principal precinct officers from 1741 to 1780, that the present and coming generations may know who were its successive principal actors.

MODERATORS.

Jona. Hayward, Jr., *alias* Jona. Howard, at 8 meetings; Nathl. Nelson, at 16; Wm. Sheffield, at 10; Nathan Tyler, at 7; Josiah Adams, at 3; Daniel Corbett, at 11; Samuel Scammell, at 5; Ebenezer Boynton, at 1; Daniel Sumner, at 1: John Chapin, at 5; Jona. Whitney, at 1; Ichabod Robinson, at 1; Saml. Wheelock, at 3; Jasper Daniell, at 2; Saml. Hayward, *alias* Howard, at 2; Wm. Jennison, at 12; Ichabod Thayer, at 1; Saml. Torrey, at 2; Josiah Chapin, at 1; Gideon Albee, at 2; John Ellis, at 1; Saml. Warren

at 4; Gershom Nelson at 2; Joseph Gibbs, at 1; Josiah Wheelock, at 1; Jona. Jones, at 2; Amariah Frost, Jr., at 1. This covers the period from 1741 to 1780.

CLERKS.

William Cheney, Jr., to 1747; Samuel L. Scammell, 1748, and his son Samuel L. from 1761 to 1769; James Sumner from 1748 to 1759; then William Jennison for two years to 1761; then Caleb Cheney from 1769 to 1780.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Down to 1750 the following names appear: Daniel Lovett, Nathan Tyler, Nathl. Nelson, Jona. Hayward, Jr., John Jones, Jr., Thos. Wiswall, John Rockwood, Jona. Whitney, Thos. Tenney, Daniel Corbett, John Chapin, Daniel Sumner, Ichabod Robinson, Joseph Sumner, Thos. White, Jona. Bond, Habijah French, Samuel Howard, *alias* Hayward, Saml. Wheelock, Wm. Cheney, Jr., Ichabod Thayer, Obadiah Wheelock, Jonas Parkhurst, Jasper Daniell, Joseph Jones, and Jacob Thayer. From 1750 to 1760, besides some of the foregoing, we find the following: Thos. Bond, Jr., Daniel Wedge, Thos. Beard, Abraham Jones, James Sumner, Nehemiah Nelson, Josiah Chapin, Benj. Howard, Jr., Thos. Chapin, Nathaniel Rawson, Isaac Tenney, Gideon Albee, Ebenr. Wheelock, Ezra Thompson, Josiah Wheelock, David Howard, Wm. Legg, Samuel Warren, Seth Thayer, Jno. Chapin, Jr., Reuben Rockwood, Ephraim Twitchell, Isaac Parkhurst, Jno. Hill, Isaac Kent, Eli Partridge. Between 1760 and 1770 the following new names are recorded: David Penniman, Daniel Hayward, Josiah Nelson, David Cutler, James Hayward, Saml. Torrey, Azariah Newton, Eleazer Wight, Stephen Thompson, Jno. Howard, Moses Chapin, Ebenr. Sumner, Caleb Cheney, Saml. Thayer, Joseph Penniman, Saml. Scammell, Benj. Vickery, Jno. Sprague, Gershom Legg, James Albee, Obadiah Wood, Joseph Jones, Jr., Seth Nelson, Jona. Jones, Elihu Warfield, Wm. Jennison, Josiah Kilburn, Jno. Ellis, Jesse Penniman, Benj. Beal, Ebenr. Read. From 1770 to 1780 we find the following new names: Elias Whitney, Warfield Hayward, Saml. Chapin, Stephen Albee, Abraham Jones, Jr., Joseph Gibbs, Ichabod Newton, Moses Gage, Jr., Jno. Jones, Nathl. Parkhurst, James Battle, Oliver Daniell, Michael Madden, Mordecai Day, Saml. French, Ephraim Chapin, Jesse Hayward, Adams Chapin, Jno. Robinson, Elijah Thayer, Ebenr. Parkhurst, Aaron Merrifield, David Hill, Ephraim Parkhurst, Ichabod Thayer, Jr., Jonas Parkhurst, Jr., Amariah Frost, Jr.

I omit specification of assessors, collectors, etc., as unnecessary.

Many of the forenamed served in these offices with others not mentioned. Two or three of the persons named resided in what was called "the standing part of Mendon,"—Nathan Tyler, Josiah Adams, etc. Those gentlemen with their families and estates did not continue their connection with the easterly precinct more than eight or ten years, being released on their own request to re-connect themselves with the old parish. It seems proper to add a list of the

TREASURERS.

These were the following named: Jona. Hayward, Jr., to 1744; Nathaniel Nelson from 1744 to 1753; Ichabod Robinson from 1753 to 1756; Daniel Sumner from 1756 to 1760; Nathl. Nelson again from 1760 to 1772; then Wm. Jennison down to 1775; next Jonas Parkhurst for the year 1776; and finally Jona. Jones onward to 1780.

CHURCH AFFAIRS.

The remainder of this chapter must be given to a brief narrative of transactions, experiences, and events pertaining to the church. This was the religious heart of the precinct. It was entitled "the Second Church of Christ in Mendon." We brought down its history to the close of Rev. Mr. Frost's ordination services. It then had, including the pastor, twenty-seven male members. Down to 1780 the whole number of male and female admissions was two hundred and forty-eight. A considerable portion of these came in by letters of dismission and commendation from other churches, and not a few from the mother church in Mendon; but the larger portion were the home-products of Mr. Frost's ministry. What the diminutions were, from death, dismission to other churches, etc., during this period, I cannot accurately state; but they were probably small. The whole number of baptisms under its auspices, for the nearly thirty-nine years of this period, if I have not miscounted, was seven hundred and fourteen, of which all but about twenty were infants and comparatively young persons sponsorially covenanted for. The covenant, confession of faith, ordinances, and discipline of the church were in close accordance with the old Cambridge Platform, and what were then considered the highest standards of Congregational order in New England. They were stringent observers of the sabbath, of the Lord's Supper once in two months, of special seasons for fasting and prayer, and of infant baptism within their membership. Their records of admonition, suspension, and excommunication, show that they held a stiff rein for the suppression of intemperance, unchastity, profanity, evil speaking, and all the vices to which the carnal mind is prone,

even in professedly regenerate people; nor were they disposed to license insubordination and self-willed independence against the authority of their church. Its rules, regulations, and requirements must be respected. To enforce these they sometimes found a difficult task. I have heretofore stated that their first two ruling elders were elected and solemnly ordained previously to the ordination of Rev. Mr. Frost. Those were the venerable John Jones of the Dale, and Josiah Adams, whose residence was in "the standing part of the Town," where George W. Crombe lately dwelt, or near there. Both these had been made ruling elders some years before in the mother-church. Their first chosen deacon, Nathaniel Nelson, had also held that office in the ancient Mendon church; but for their second deacon they elected a younger and fresher man, viz., Abraham Jones, a son of Elder John. These officers were also formally ordained, but not till they had been proved according to apostolic injunction; for in those days no laxity of church order must be winked at, as is shown by the following entry: "Feb. 24, 1748: Then, the Church being present, and after a serious examination of our elected Deacons into their Doctrinal and Experimental knowledge of the Christian Religion, and into their qualifications requisite for their sustaining the office of a Deacon, and being found blameless; after the delivery of a sermon from 1 Tim. 3: 10, 'Let these also be first proved, then let them use the office of a Deacon — being found blameless;' — the Church renewed their election and invitation of Nathaniel Nelson and Abraham Jones to the office of Deaconship in this 2 Chh. of Xt. in Mendon, and an agreeable answer being returned by them, manifesting their renewed acceptance of the call and invitation to the office of a Deacon in serving Tables; then proceeded and ordained them respectively to the office of a Deacon, by giving them a Charge suitable to the occasion, together with the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery." We can but admire the nicety, precision, and formality of this whole proceeding, though perhaps not the rhetoric in which it stands recorded. This last, I suppose, was Mr. Frost's, as he was made the standing scribe of the church, and appears to have officiated in that capacity throughout his long pastorate. It is remarkable, however, that this punctilious formality in respect to the ordination of ruling elders and deacons was never repeated. Unless it has escaped my eye in examining the church records, such was the fact. It was proposed, and probably *intended*, in several instances, but postponed from time to time for various reasons, till finally omitted altogether; and at length the election of ruling elders was silently relinquished. The deaconship was perpetuated; but the

ceremony of ordination in Congregational churches seems to have got reduced to great simplicity.

Having thus seen how completely the Second Church in Mendon was organized, officered, and started on its career, the story of that career down to 1780 next interests us. It had its trials, perplexities, and adversities, as do even the best of human communities and individuals. One of the most notable of these was a sort of secession, or come-outer insurrection, of certain dissatisfied members. This disturbance commenced as early as 1748, and lasted some ten years. The origin of the agitation is wrapped in obscurity. It may have been one of the stray outgrowths of the great revivals under Rev. George Whitefield, and other preachers who caught his inspirations. These had awakened a wide-spread religious interest, and excited a great deal of thinking as well as zeal in susceptible minds, both clerical and lay. Many of the laity became dissatisfied with the old customary style of preaching and church routine. It seemed to them too cold and lifeless. Meantime, the Baptists were breaking ground here and there, and assailing what they deemed the errors of the "Standing Order." Unlearned ministers, lay preachers, and self-authorized exhorters had begun to hold religious meetings wherever they could find an opening, without permission or countenance from the settled Congregational pastors and church dignitaries. Herein was mischief and vexation to the old ecclesiastical rulers. A touch of this contagion disturbed "the 2d Church of Christ in Mendon." Meetings of a secessive character were held in the easterly precinct, chiefly in the North Purchase and contiguous neighborhoods, for several years, which greatly annoyed Mr. Frost and his conservative brethren. For a while the movement seemed to threaten serious consequences; but the pastor and his coadjutors carried themselves with so much moderation, firmness, and prudence, that they finally triumphed. The leading spirit and troubler of Israel was one Samuel Hovey. I had to take considerable pains to learn definitely who he was, and for a long time failed. Whether he was the "William Hovey" named in the Incorporating Act of the Precinct, or some family relative, or a stranger of the same surname, I got no information. My only starting clew was one solitary sentence in the church records, viz., "Voted to send a letter to our seceding brethren and to those that should attempt to set up one Hovey, a lay Teacher, over them, on May the 31, 1749, containing objections against their proceeding in that affair." At length, in searching our Worcester Registry of Deeds, I found certain conveyances of land in the No. Purchase to and from Samuel Hovey. He had a small homestead in the Corbett

neighborhood, at the time of the secession difficulties, which he sold to Robert Corbett in 1769, having then removed to Newtown, N.H. This could have been no other than the "one Hovey" of the ch. records. He seems to have been a man of considerable influence.

Among the members of the church who came under discipline for their secessionism were the following named: Samuel Warren, Daniel Corbett, Jr., Eunice Lathome, Mercy Thompson, Azariah Newton and wife, Jona. Hayward and wife, Benj. Hayward, Jr., Nathl. Jones, Jr., Barnabas Rawson, David Cutler, Isaac Tenney, Mary Rawson, James Sumner, Lydia Whitney, Rachel Jones, etc. These persons were summoned to give their reasons for what was styled their "*withdraw*," "*separation*," "*absconding or absenting from our Communion*," and the like. They were visited by special committees, written to, remonstrated with, and admonished "with all long suffering and doctrine," but not harshly treated. Most of them were at length won back into the fold. Some of them, however, were blunt and stubborn come-outers until mollified. This will appear by the following extracts from the church records: —

"JAN. 24th, 1748-9. Met according to adjournment, and heard the Reasons of Samuel Warren, Daniel Corbett, Jr. and Eunice Lathome for their withdraw from us. Which are as follows, viz. —

1. Because we do not find that food for our souls by the word that was preached here which we have found in the word of God and elsewhere.

2. Reason is That we think that the doctrines which Christ taught when on earth are not taught here; we mean that the truth is held in unrighteousness, by not being delivered out of love and good will for these two years past; and because some of the truths of God's word are denied; viz. 1. You deny the knowledge of the brethren any further than by their lives and conversation, contrary to John 15: 2. 2, Because you preach works and press it harder than you do faith, according to our conception; that is, you direct sinners to seek the Lord before faith.

3. Reason of our Withdraw is, because we don't look upon this Church to be a visible chh. of Xt. — we mean, to be built up according to his Word and Spirit, as in 1 Cor. 12: 12, 13, 14; Matt. 16: 14-19 vs.; 1 John 1: 2, &c.

4. Reason; We think that the Religion of Jesus Christ is not maintained and upheld in its purity here; we mean that that Religion can't be the Religion of Jesus Christ that binds men's estates and Consciences to maintain it; and that is your case with relation to the salary — depending more upon the Civil Law to support it than the power of God; obliging every one to pay a certain proportion with them for the support of the Ministry, and binding our consciences to attend in your way of worship.

5. Reason is; that the Lord hath made us see that this Church is Babylon and a synagogue of Satan; we mean that ye hold faith in certain doctrines, such as an uncertainty about the Estates of the Converted, and

denying a possibility by a particular faith to be certain that any Elect vessel as to the particular person who shall be bro't home to Christ.

6. Lastly; because the Lord hath made us to see that this Church are thieves and robbers, because they come not in by the door; we mean, by Christ, by love to God and one towards another, and according to the Scriptures; we mean by faith."

Several other more or less similar statements of reasons were at different times sent in by the seceders. I need copy no more of them. Doubtless they seemed clear, profound, and conclusive to their subscribers: but they were all voted unsatisfactory by the church, and treated accordingly; and I must say, for myself, that I cannot extract much edification from them. I give the foregoing sample as a curiosity. As to the Baptists, especially in Bellingham, they occasioned Mr. Frost and his people some embarrassment. They were not only unwelcome intruders on the Congregational domain as competitors, but offensive as deniers that sprinkling was Christian baptism, however solemnly administered. They drew away several proselytes, first and last, which is never pleasant to the losing party. Still there were some kindly feelings on both sides; but the difficulty lay in being friendly without breach of ecclesiastical consistency. In 1750 the Baptist Church in Bellingham elected Rev. Elnathan Wight as their pastor. He was not only an intelligent and exemplary Christian man, but remarkably liberal for his times, and disposed to be on terms of free communion with the established churches. So, probably by his advice, a letter missive was sent to Mr. Frost and his church to assist in the ordination of Mr. Wight. It was a puzzler to the invitees. Some were for accepting, and all desired to be courteous; but there were points of order, usage, and consistency which could not be got over. Finally the ruling elders settled the proposition in the negative. Thirty-two years later we find the following ingenious evasion in a dismissory commendation of a sister who wished to transfer her relationship to the Baptist church in Bellingham: —

"To be sent to the Baptist Church in Bellingham, under the Pastoral care of Rev. Mr. Alden; viz. Whereas our sister Jemima, wife of Jona. Thompson of Bellingham, hath manifested a desire that her Relation with us might orderly be transferred from us to you: This may signify that on Aug. 5, 1759, she publicly owned her Baptismal covenant, and joined in full communion with us in all the special ordinances of the Gospel — and (as far as our knowledge is) has conducted agreeable to her profession: and accordingly we dismiss and recommend her to your Communion and fellowship, as a person Baptized and in good standing in the visible Church of Christ in this place: and if you receive her as such, she is hereby dismissed; otherwise, she is not.

AMARIAH FROST, *Pastor.*"

The wit of this lies in the obvious fact that the Baptists must acknowledge a merely *sprinkled* person as truly baptized, and thus belie their own solemn convictions to the contrary: otherwise Mrs. Thompson was *not* dismissed to them at all; but the Congregationalists were not to be swerved from their integrity and consistency, whatever action the Baptists might take.

ANOTHER PERPLEXITY RELIEVED.

In the year 1767, Dr. William Jennison, an influential member of the church, with the best of intentions, presented a large Bible for the pulpit, from which the pastor might read and expound at his discretion; but such were the lingering prejudices in some minds against the old Church-of-England usages, that a serious commotion arose among the people against the use of that Bible in their pulpit. How the matter was compromised will appear from the following documents: —

"MEMORANDUM. — In Aug. 26, 1767, the Church received the donation of a large Bible, given to them and the Congregation, to be read and expounded publicly, by and at the discretion of the Pastor: and voted the thanks of the Chh. be given to Dr. William Jennison, the donor, by Messrs. Dea. French and Albee; but after the use of said Bible some time, there arose some dispute among some members of our Society, as tho' it was too much of a conformity to the Practice of the Chh. of England — and for peace sake (rather than break the peace of the Society) it was omitted for the present; viz. the reading of said Bible in public. Whereupon the Dr., May 13, 1776, sent us this message; viz., —

"'These may Certify all persons whom it may concern, that, whereas some of the Chh. and Congregation were uneasy at having the Bible read publicly which the subscriber gave to the Chh. and Congregation in the 2d Precinct in Mendon, of which the Rev. Mr. Frost is Pastor, to be used in public, by reason of which uneasiness the said Pastor has desisted from reading and expounding the same; Therefore the donor doth, by these Presents, give unto the said Mr. Frost and his heirs the use and improvement of said Bible until the said Chh. and Congregation incline to use it according to the design of the donor, and on the terms on which said Chh. accepted the donation: and whenever, i. e. the Church, do incline to have it used publicly, the said Chh. and Congn. are to be the sole proprietors of said Bible.'"

The foregoing was formally assented to and sanctioned by Mr. Frost and the church; and thus the agitated waters were soothed into quietude.

Just after the town was incorporated, at a public church fast held May 25, 1780, the original covenant was read and renewed, and a

vote passed, that what had been called the Second Church of Christ in Mendon should thenceforth be "called the Church of Christ in Milford." Down to that date the elders and deacons of the church had been elected and served as follows: —

Elder John Jones, elected April 15, 1741; served till superannuated, and died March 28, 1753. Elder Josiah Adams, elected April 15, 1741; served till his death in March, 1749. Elder Nathaniel Nelson, elected Sept. 7, 1749; and served till his death in 1783. Elder Daniel Corbett, in place of Elder John Jones superannuated, elected Sept. 7, 1749; and served till prob. his death, 1753. Elder Abraham Jones, son of Elder John, elected Nov. 29, 1753; and served till death, Feb. 25, 1792.

Dea. Nathaniel Nelson, elected April 15, 1741; and served till his promotion to eldership, Sept. 7, 1749. Dea. Abraham Jones, elected Nov. 14, 1743; and served till his promotion to eldership, Nov. 29, 1753. Dea. John Chapin, elected Nov. 9, 1749; and served till excused on account of age and infirmities, 1763. Dea. Habijah French, elected Nov. 9, 1749; and served till superannuation, in 1774. Dea. Gideon Albee, elected Aug. 11, 1763; and served till excused on account of age and infirmities, 1785. Dea. John Chapin, son of the former Dea. John, elected Dec. 1, 1774; and served till promoted to eldership, 1785.

Here this chapter must terminate. The specialties of precinct action in relation to incorporation as a town, will properly appear in the next chapter. The subsequent history of the Congregational parish and church will have its orderly place, along with that of the more recent religious societies, in an appropriate chapter of this volume.

CHAPTER VI.

INDUCTION, INCORPORATION, AND ORGANIZATION OF MILFORD.

Inception and Consummation of the Town's Incorporation. — How the Old Ambition for a Separate Town never died out, but slept and awoke at Intervals, till it gained its Object. — The Repeated Struggles from 1753 down to 1779, as shown by the Records. — The Contending Parties come to an Amicable Agreement May 3, 1779; which is given in Full. — Ratified May 19, ensuing — The Act of Incorporation dated April 11, 1780. — The Town legally organized May 1, 1780. — First Officers elected.

General Status of Affairs and Responsibilities assumed. — The Population at the Time of Incorporation. — Probable Number of Families, Legal Voters, Dwellings, Public Buildings. — Means of Subsistence, and Employments of the Inhabitants. — Small Mechanical Industries, and no Manufactures now so termed. — Settlements made with Mother Mendon. — Relations to Other Towns, the Commonwealth, and Nation. — Shay's Rebellion. — Religious Matters, Meeting-House, etc. — Pauperphobia, Financial Difficulties, etc. — Minor Items down to the Year 1800.

INCEPTION AND CONSUMMATION OF THE TOWN'S INCORPORATION.

The ambition and design to have a town separate from mother Mendon was never abandoned by the leading citizens east of Neck Hill. But they contented themselves with their precinct immunities for about twelve years. Then the smothered flame was rekindled. Certain individuals brought the matter before the town, and we have the following record: "Mendon, May 14, 1753: being a Town Meeting held by adjournment from March 4, 1753; at said Meeting it was proposed to the Town, whether they would set off the East Precinct to be a distinct Town, and passed in the Negative." This put a quietus on the project for over twelve years more. Then the embers were opened again, and fresh fuel supplied. "Mendon, Dec. 24, 1766; being a public Town Meeting. Then it was put to Vote To see if the Town would vote off the Easterly Precinct, according to the bounds thereof, to be a separate Town by themselves, and there was but one hand held up. Then it was put to Vote To see if the Town would set off the Easterly Precinct, according to the bounds thereof, agreeable to the Petition of the Inhabitants, into a separate District by themselves; and the vote passed in the Negative by ten votes [majority]." The struggle now was for a district corporation, — a something less than a town. But this was strenuously resisted.

An appeal was next made to the Legislature by petition to incorporate the precinct as a district. This movement was vigorously seconded by the precinct as such. "February 16, 1767. At a meeting of the Easterly Precinct in Mendon legally assembled, Left. Josiah Chapin was chosen moderator to regulate said meeting. Then chose Eld. Nathaniel Nelson, Thomas Wiswall [and] James Sumner a Committee to head and support a Petition of the Inhabitants of said Precinct, already carried in and had a hearing at the Great and General Court, in order to be a separate District from the Town of Mendon, agreeable to the boundaries of said Precinct. Then Voted to give the said Committee the following Instructions; viz., that they use their best endeavor, that the prayer of said petitioners be granted before the time commences for the annual meeting in March next; and, as the Meeting House in said Precinct is built to accommodate the Inhabitants of said Precinct, agreeable to the boundaries of said Precinct, that said Committee would not, by any agreement, consent to any other than the former boundaries of said Precinct, — excepting Nathan Tyler, Esq., Adjt. John Tyler and their land lying on the west side of the Eight-Rod Road so called." Mendon firmly remonstrated. At their town-meeting held on the very same day, Feb. 16, 1767, they "unanimously Voted to send reasons unto the Great and General Court, to show cause why the prayer of the petition of the Inhabitants of the Easterly Precinct should not be granted. Then Voted to choose six men for a Committee to draw up the Town's reasons; . . . viz., Messrs. Edmund Morse, Edward Rawson, John French, Joseph Benson, George Aldrich, William Sheffield, and Peter Penniman. Then the Town by a Vote chose Edward Rawson, Samuel Green, and William Sheffield for a Committee, or Agents, . . . to carry in the Town's reasons unto the Gt. and Gen. Ct., and make answer to a petition of a number of the Inhabitants of the Easterly Precinct, etc." The Legislature deferred the matter. But the Precinct petitioned the same year again, asking to be set off as a town or district, "together with their proportionable part of the *Ministry* land and money, School money, armory and ammunition." Again Mendon repulsed them, on this wise: "Sept. 27, 1767; being a public Town Meeting, in pursuance of the following article in the Warrant: To see if the Town will, by their Vote, set off the Easterly Precinct in said Town into a separate Township or District, with their equal part of the Town's stores, agreeable to the request of a number of the Inhabitants of said Precinct. It was put to vote, . . . and it passed in the Negative. Then the Vote was scrupled, and the Moderator ordered the House to be divided, and there were 57 in the Affirmative and 64

in the Negative." So by a majority of seven the movement was defeated. The combatants now returned to their tents, and the agitation slumbered for another twelve years; during which period the grander agitation of colonial separation from Great Britain absorbed all lesser concerns. It is likely, too, that the profound excitements and onward march of events developed by the Revolutionary struggle ripened public sentiment in all parts of Mendon for a municipal change. Be this as it might, the project of transforming the easterly precinct into a town was revived in 1779, amid the thunders of the war, and this time with success.

It seems that a respectful request was laid before the Town in season for deliberate consideration at the regular March meeting of 1779, and was responded to by the majority favorably. The record stands thus: "Mendon, March 1st, 1779. At the Anniversary Town Meeting for the choice of Town officers and the transaction of other Town business, in pursuance of the following article; viz., To see if the Town will grant the Request of the Inhabitants of the Easterly Precinct in said Town who have petitioned, the Town would consent that said Precinct, with all its Inhabitants and all the lands contained in the same, may be set off as a separate Town. At said Meeting it was put to Vote to see &c. The Vote was tried by dividing the House; 67 were in the Affirmative, and 60 in the Negative." Another majority of seven, but the other way. Thus the Town, weary of such persistent importunity, at length yielded its consent. The chief obstacle having been overcome, the Precinct had only to follow out and complete its triumph. April 26 ensuing, "Voted to choose a Committee to draw a Petition to send to the Gen. Court, in order that the said Second Precinct be set off as a Town." "Chose Capt. Gershom Nelson, Jonathan Jones [and] Ichabod Thayer, Jr. for said Committee." "Voted that the above said Committee should carry said Petition to the Gen. Court." Meantime an overture was made by the citizens of the other two precincts for a conference of committees to agree on the terms of separation, so that no misunderstanding might mar the operation in process. The easterly precinct cordially responded, and at a regular meeting "chose Jonathan Jones, Seth Nelson, [and] Ichabod Thayer, Jr., a Committee to consult with the First and Third Precincts' Committee in said Town, to see how and in what manner the Second Precinct . . . shall be set off as a separate Town." This conference resulted in the following

AGREEMENT, MAY 3, 1779.

"Article 1st. That the Meadow, or land usually flowed by the Mill Pond, formerly occupied by Lieut. William Sheffield, on the North side of

the Country Road, belonging to said Town, shall still remain and continue the property of said Town of Mendon, although said Second Precinct should become a separate Town; and in case said Town of Mendon should have occasion to Eject Jeremiah Kelley, the present occupier of said Pond, or any other person or persons, who may hereafter occupy said lands, from the possession of said Premises, or they shall not keep a good Grist-Mill in repair at or near the Premises, agreeable to the original agreement between said Town and Matthias Puffer, and David How, — then the said Second Precinct, although they should become a separate Town, shall have the three eighth parts of what said Town of Mendon shall recover, they the said Second Precinct paying the three eighth parts of the cost and charge that may arise in recovering the same.

Article 2d. Agreed, that the said Second Precinct draw their equal proportion of the School Money, according to the Valuation of the said Town: also, one third part of the Ministry money belonging to the said Town: also, their equal proportion of the said Town's stock of Arms and Ammunition.

3d. Agreed, that the said Second Precinct take their equal proportion of the Poor maintained by the Town, according to the Tax said Precinct pays: and also, if, after said Precinct is set off as a separate Town, there shall be any Poor sent to this Town from proper authority to be maintained by this Town, and it shall appear that the persons so brought were the usual or original Inhabitants of the said Second Precinct, then the said Second Precinct shall receive and maintain them as their Poor.

4thly. That the said Second Precinct pay their equal proportion of all the charges that have [arisen] or shall arise within the Town of Mendon prior to their being incorporated as a separate Town, of whatever name or nature.

5thly. That if there appears to be a surplusage of money, over and above paying all the Town's debts and charges, when they the said Second Precinct shall become a separate Town, then the said Second Precinct to draw their equal proportion, according to their Valuation."

Covenanted by John Tyler, Peter Penniman, and Aaron Everett, in behalf of the first and third precincts, and by Jonathan Jones, Seth Nelson, and Ichabod Thayer, jun., in behalf of the second precinct. Sanctioned by vote of Mendon without dissent, May 19, 1779. Nothing now hindered, and early the next year followed the

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

State of Massachusetts Bay.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY.

An Act for Incorporating the Easterly Precinct in the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester into a Separate Town by the Name of Milford.

Whereas it appears that the Inhabitants of the Easterly Precinct in the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester labour under many Difficultie

in their present Situation, for Remedying of which they Earnestly request they may be Incorporated into a Separate Town.

Be it therefore Enacted by the Council, and House of Representatives in General Court Assembled and by the Authority of the same that the Easterly part of the Town of Mendon, in the County of Worcester bounded as follows, Vizt.: beginning at a heap of Stones on Bellingham Line, on the North of the Country Road, then running West, and bounded South on said Road until it comes to a Road called the eight rod Road, now reduced to a four rod Road, then North, and bounded westerly on said Road, as it is now Stated by the Town of Mendon, until it comes to Upton Line, thence on Upton Line to Hopkinton Line, thence on Hopkinton Line to Holliston Line, thence on Holliston Line to Bellingham Line, thence on Bellingham Line, to the Bounds first mentioned — Be and hereby is Incorporated into a Town by the Name of Milford, and that the Inhabitants thereof be and they are hereby Invested with all the Powers Privileges & Immunities which the Inhabitants of the Towns in this State, do or may by Law enjoy. [For alterations of boundary lines see further along.]

And Provided Nevertheless, and be it further Enacted that the Inhabitants of the said Town of Milford shall be held to take and maintain their Proportionable part of the Poor of said Town of Mendon that are now maintained as such, or that shall be hereafter Returned from any other Town as belonging to said Mendon before the said Town of Milford was Incorporated.

And Be it further Enacted that the Inhabitants of said Town of Milford shall be held to pay their Proportionable part of all Town County and State Taxes that are already raised, or granted, to be assessed on the Inhabitants of said Town of Mendon or that shall be granted to be assessed on said Town of Mendon during the present Sitting of the Great and General Court, and be held to repair & Build one half of the Bridges and mend and repair one half the Roads on which they are bounded lying in the Town of Mendon forever.

And Be it further Enacted that all the Proprietors belonging to the Propriety of the Town of Mendon, that shall be Incorporated into the Town of Milford shall hold all their Common Rights in the Common and Undivided Lands in the Propriety of the former Township of said Mendon as though they had not been set off into a Separate Town — And their Proportionable part of the Ministry and School Money belonging to said Town of Mendon that have accrued to them by the Sale of the School and Ministry Land.

And Be it further Enacted That Joseph Dorr Esq^{r}: be and he is hereby directed and empowered to issue his Warrant directed to some Principal Inhabitant of said Town of Milford requiring him to warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Milford qualified by Law to Vote in Town Affairs to Assemble and meet at some Suitable time and Place, in said Town to choose all such Officers as Towns by Law are Required and impowered to choose in the month of March Annually, and to Transact all other matters & Business necessary to be done in said Town.

In the House of Representatives April 11, 1780. — This Bill having been read three several times, pass'd to be enacted.

John Hancock, *Speaker.*

In Council April 11, 1780. — This Bill having had two several readings — passed to be enacted.

John Avery, *D. Sec'yr.*

We consent to the enacting of this Bill.

Jere. Powell.	B. White.
Artemas Ward.	T. Danielson.
Walter Spooner.	H. Gardner.
S. Adams.	Tim. Edwards.
T. Cushing.	Saml. Niles.
Jabez Fisher.	A. Fuller.
Moses Gill.	Jn°. Pitts.

Noah Goodman.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Secretary's Department, Boston, July 17, 1876.

A true copy: Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

Henry B. Peirce, *Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

ALTERATIONS OF BOUNDARY LINES.

Perhaps this is the proper place for stating what alterations have been made in our boundary lines since the town was incorporated. The terms in which its boundaries are described in the foregoing Act, though general, were well understood by the municipal parties concerned. Yet occasions arose for more specific demarcations here and there, and ultimately for somewhat important alterations. The laws required frequent perambulations of lines by the selectmen of adjoining towns, and renewal of bounds, or at least renewed acknowledgment of permanent monuments. Our records contain many specifications of such perambulations. In some instances, where the case seemed to require it, exact courses and distances are given, as traced by competent surveyors; but, in the majority of instances, the lines and monuments are described in general terms. I shall not go into mensural niceties in any case further than seems to me necessary to make alterations well understood.

The first instance in which a boundary line was thought to require re-adjustment occurred between Milford and Mendon. That section of the line from Upton that crossed North Hill, so called, was quite obscure and questionable. Therefore the two towns chose committees to examine and settle the matter. Their report was as follows: —

"Mendon, Nov. ye 29th, 1794. Then we the subscribers, Committee of Mendon & Milford, Met & settled the line between the Town of Mendon & Milford (over the North hill, so called); beginning at a heap of stones,

being the southeast corner of Paul Nelson's land; thence North 37 rds. East, 40 Rods to a Walnut Tree with a heap of stones round it; thence South, 26¼ Ds. East, 196 Rods to a White Oak Tree, being the Northeast Corner of Seth Davenport's land, on the south side of the Road leading from the widow Tyler's to Milford. Philip Ammidon, Seth Chapin, Luke Aldrich, Committee of Mendon. Ephm. Chapin, Ichabod Thayer, Jr., Committee of Milford." March 3, 1795, Milford "Voted to accept of the line as settled between Mendon & Milford, as agreed by the Committee for that purpose." *Town Records*, vol. i., pp. 175, 173.

About the same time, when all the towns in the Commonwealth were required to make plans of their areas returnable to the State archives, the measuring committees of Milford and Upton found it very desirable to straighten a part of their line by exchanging small parcels of land. They did so, reported their agreement to their respective towns, and got the same sanctioned by vote. Milford sanctioned it at the very same meeting above specified in relation to the Mendon line. "Voted to accept of the Exchange of land between Upton & Milford, Agreeable as it stands Recorded in the 6th article in the Preceding warrant." That article reads thus: "To see if the Town will accept of the Exchange of land with the Town of Upton to straighten the line between the Town of Upton & Milford, as the Committee of Upton & Milford, that was chosen to Measure each Town, have agreed; which is as follows (viz.): beginning at a great Rock in the south end of upper North Meadow, on the west side of the River; thence, Running South 56½ ds. West, 215 Rods, to a heap of stones in Wm. Alexander's Pasture; thence, running South 8 ds. west, 202 Rods to a heap of stones at the end of John Merrifield's wall, on the west side of the Road leading from Lt. Paul Nelson's to the widow Tyler's." *Town Records*, vol. i., pp. 173, 171.

In the year 1829, by Act of Gen. Court, the boundary line between Holliston and Medway was so changed that the latter became one of our immediate neighbors on the east. But this did not affect our original boundary in that quarter, Medway merely taking the place of Holliston on a part of the old line.

In 1835, March 27, an Act of Gen. Court made a somewhat important alteration of our boundaries on Hopkinton and Holliston, by which we gained some territory and several families. Fruitless attempts had been made for several years to straighten the Hopkinton line, and to accommodate the families of Wild-Cat neighborhood, so called, with better school advantages; those families dwelling inconveniently in the isolated corners of the three towns. The Act of

Gen. Court was designed to obviate these difficulties. It determined as follows: "That the dividing lines between the towns of Milford, Holliston and Hopkinton shall be altered, and shall hereafter be established as follows, to wit: beginning at a heap of stones on the line between the towns of Milford and Hopkinton, at the road near the dwelling house of Samuel McFarland; thence easterly about one and three fourth miles to a stone monument by the side of Deer Brook, so called; thence north, sixty and a half degrees east, twenty five rods on the line between Hopkinton and Holliston; thence due south until it comes to the line between Holliston and Milford; and that part of said Milford, which lies north of the first mentioned line, shall hereafter belong to Hopkinton, in the county of Middlesex; and that part of Hopkinton, which lies south of said first mentioned line, shall hereafter belong to Milford, in the county of Worcester; and that part of said Holliston, which lies west of the last mentioned line, shall hereafter belong to said Milford."

The last alteration was made by Act of Gen. Court, Apl. 1, 1859. It was entitled "An Act to alter the Boundary Line between the Towns of Holliston and Milford." It enacted thus: "The dividing line between the towns of Milford and Holliston shall be altered, and shall hereafter be established as follows, to wit: beginning at a point on the lines between the towns of Holliston and Hopkinton, sixty four rods easterly from the northwest corner of Holliston, and running southerly until it comes to a point on the line between the towns of Holliston and Milford, 132 rods and 15 links easterly from the southwest corner bound of Holliston; and that part of Holliston, which lies west of the above described line, shall hereafter be annexed to and belong to the town of Milford."

ORGANIZATION.

Pursuant to his nomination in the foregoing Act, Joseph Dorr, Esq., of Mendon, issued his warrant under date of April 25, 1780, for Milford's first town-meeting. It was to be held at the meeting-house on the first day of May: "I. To choose a Moderator: II. To choose Town officers according to Law." The warrant was directed to, and served by, Jona. Jones; being duly posted at the meeting-house. This first town-meeting and its proceedings are set forth in the following record: —

"MILFORD, May 1, 1780. The above said Town met, being legally assembled. Voted and chose Joseph Dorr, Esq., Moderator; Caleb Cheney, Clerk; Lieut. Jesse Whitney, Caleb Cheney, Warfield Hayward, Ebenr. Read [and] Stephen Albee, Selectmen; Lieut. Jesse Whitney, Caleb Cheney,

Warfield Hayward, Ebenr. Read [and] Stephen Albee, Committee of Correspondence; Caleb Cheney, Treasurer; Ens^{n} Adams Chapin, Capt. Ichabod Thayer, Jr. [and] Moses Chapin, Assessors; Lieut. Joseph Cody [and] Obadiah Wood, Constables; Jona. Jones [and] Lieut. Josiah Chapin, Surveyors of highways for the 1st District; Levi Thayer [and] Saml. Davis, for the 2d District; Boyce Kimball, for the 3d District; Dr. Elias Parkman, for the 4th District; Capt. Gershom Nelson [and] Capt. Saml. Warren, Tything-men; Capt. Ichabod Thayer, Jr , Oliver Daniell [and] Joseph Jones, Jr., Fence Viewers; Capt. Gershom Nelson, Sealer of Lumber; Jesse Hayward, Sealer of Leather; Amos Shepherdson, Nathl. Saunders, Caleb Boynton, Jr., [and] Ephraim Hayward, Hog-reeves; [and] Dea. Abijah French, Deer-reeve."

Thus our town was organized with all the requisite legal formalities, and auspiciously started on its municipal career. Its citizens and officers were mostly of the third and fourth generations from the first settlers, concerning whom I have treated in the earlier chapters.

GENERAL STATUS OF AFFAIRS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ASSUMED.

At its incorporation our young town had a population of about seven hundred and sixty souls, perhaps a hundred and fifty families, and about a hundred and fifty-two legal voters. They possibly had a few more than a hundred and twenty dwelling-houses, such as they were, widely scattered, and situated on some fifty old-fashioned, crooked, and ill-graded roads or town-ways of various designation. At that time, the main thoroughfare between Mendon and Holliston, known as "the Sherborn road," always our most populous highway, had only about twenty residences. No public schoolhouse had then been erected within our limits. The only public edifice in town was the precinct meeting-house, forty feet by thirty-five, sadly needing repairs. The inhabitants generally subsisted on the hard-earned products of the soil. There were a few mechanical craftsmen, such as blacksmiths, carpenters, tanners, shoemakers, tailors, clothiers, etc., — paid oftener in farmer's produce than money. As to manufacturers, now so called, there were none. What the total of ratable property was, I have found no certain means of estimating; but it must have been comparatively small. At the same time, the country was but just past the midnight of the Revolutionary war, straitened in all its resources, and sweating at every pore an effusion of blood. So Milford was born into the municipal family in perilous times, and amid many seemingly unpropitious circumstances. Nevertheless her people were ambitious, brave, and hopeful. They confidently expected a better future, and assumed their new responsibilities with fearless resolution. Among these responsibilities I will indicate a few of the principal: —

An honorable settlement with the mother town, according to previous agreement and the Act of Incorporation. Certain funds, debts, and credits must be equitably divided; the belongings and maintenance of the poor must be justly arranged and provided for; frontier roads must be properly ascertained, and repaired in due proportions; and numerous minor adjustments made. All these matters were amicably settled with reasonable promptitude. The two towns chose committees of conference, who very satisfactorily accomplished their work, and reported to their constituents under date of March 26, 1781. The following-named citizens acted on these committees: For Mendon, John Tyler, John Albee, and Peter Penniman; for Milford, Samuel Warren, Jona. Jones, Ichabod Thayer, jun., and Samuel Jones. Without copying their report, it may suffice to say that it shows their settlement to have been eminently fair and conclusive. It appears to have commanded universal approval; but, in the nature of things, it was impossible to foreclose all incidental questions liable to arise. Accordingly we find subsequent minor settlements successively recorded. One of these related to certain debts, dues, and securities, which had to be divisionally accommodated. This was effected by a joint committee, to mutual satisfaction, Dec. 19, 1781. Another of a similar nature took place in like manner, Feb. 22, 1782. Still another followed, concerning certain poor families and persons sent back from other towns for maintenance, a part of whom were natives of our territory. This occurred Jan. 18, 1785.

With the neighboring towns generally young Milford was on terms of amity and good-fellowship, excepting certain lawsuits about paupers. The most important of these was with Stow, which will be noticed in another place. In respect to the great distresses of that period, arising from the depreciation of paper-money, high taxes, and the almost utter impossibility of meeting financial exigencies, our people sympathized warmly with the suffering citizens of Worcester Co., and the Commonwealth at large. They were represented in several conventions held on that subject in Worcester and other places; but when the more violent resorted to arms in the deplorable Shay's Rebellion of 1786, they remained loyal, and joined in suppressing the malecontents; yet they were averse to vindictive measures against the subdued. This will appear to their credit from the following record under date of Jan. 29, 1787: —

"Voted to send a Petition to the General Court; viz. To the Honorable the Senate and the Honorable the House of Representatives in Gen. Court assembled now sitting at Boston; most humbly and respectfully sheweth; That your Petitioners, being deeply impressed with a sense of Loyalty,

Peace and good Order, and being desirous to prevent a further effusion of human blood, humbly pray, notwithstanding we utterly abhor and detest every measure subversive of Order and Good Government, that a Proclamation may be immediately issued that all those who have heretofore arisen to oppose the sitting of the Courts of Justice in several Counties of this Commonwealth, and all those who are now under arms in opposition to the Authority of the same, on condition they shall disperse and return to their several homes and behave themselves peaceably in future, may not be molested in their Persons or Property in consequence of what they have heretofore done: and your Petitioners in Duty bound will ever pray."

In relation to the Commonwealth and Nation, Milford illustrated a uniform allegiance, fidelity, and obedience to the laws. It must not be forgotten that it became a town amid the struggles of the Revolutionary war. Its citizens had evinced a lively and patriotic interest, in common with those of the parent-town, in all that concerned the induction and prosecution of that great contest for American independence. Now they assumed separate municipal responsibilities for its prosecution just before the dawn of success. Their quota of soldiers and warlike supplies was assigned to them. They must contribute men, food, and clothing, as called for, in their due proportion. On this point I refer the reader to the account of "town action" in Chap. VII., where will be found a condensed statement of the various votes passed by the Town, relating to soldiers and warlike supplies furnished in response to governmental requisitions during the latter years of the war. That series of votes will suffice to show the patriotism, zeal, and fidelity which the Town constantly exhibited during the Revolutionary war and subsequent military vicissitudes. Meantime its selectmen were made *ex-officio* a Committee of Correspondence, train-bands were patronized, and stores of ammunition liberally provided. In civil affairs there was an equally devoted interest. It was a time of organic reconstruction in the Commonwealth and Nation. The State Constitution, with its noble Bill of Rights, was adopted in 1780, and all the towns were called upon to consider the public good. New machinery was put in motion, and the municipalities of the State must be governed accordingly. Soon after this came the new Federal Constitution, to be considered in the several State Conventions. Being adopted, its new organism was to be operated. In all these grave concerns Milford honorably bore its part, unless it were dishonorable, in common with a considerable minority of the Republic, to vote against adopting the new Constitution. On this question their action was as follows: Dec. 17, 1787, "Voted and chose Mr. David Stearns a Delegate to sit in Convention

at the State House in Boston on the second Wednesday of January next. Voted and chose Daniel Wedge, James Sumner, Lt. Ephraim Chapin, Lt. Saml. Jones, Timothy Jones, Luke Kelley and Oliver Daniell a Committee to converse with and Instruct the above named Delegate. Voted to adjourn to Landlord Robinson's at six O'clock this day, to hear the report of said Committee; which report was to reject the Constitution; And when laid before the Town, said Town rejected it." But when adopted against their vote, they appear to have submitted in good faith to the will of the majority, and to have proved themselves always loyal citizens. During their first twenty years of town immunities they were represented in Gen. Ct. eleven times. In 1784 and '85 by Capt. Ichabod Thayer; in '87, '88, and '89 by Mr. David Stearns; in '91, '92, '94, '96, '98, and '99 by Samuel Jones, Esq.

In relation to religious matters, the Town succeeded to all the responsibilities of the old Precinct, i.e., in respect to the meeting-house, the ministry, and kindred concerns. There had been a long and fruitless struggle in the Precinct to get the meeting-house enlarged, or replaced by a new one. The Town inherited this struggle, and for several years nothing more was achieved than indispensable repairs, slight internal alterations, and some painting. Meantime, considerable changes of religious opinion were taking place among the people. Baptists, Methodists, Universalists, and free-thinkers were multiplying. Unity of denominational predilections was more and more broken up; and it became quite impossible for the Town, as *such*, to levy rates for the support of public worship, either in respect to meeting-house or preaching. None would pay on compulsion. Voluntary subscription, contribution, or donation must be mainly depended on. Yet, as the time had not arrived for a complete dissolution of Church and State, the Town must still exercise parish functions. The awkwardness of this may be seen by contemplating the following extracts: Warrant of Dec. 4, 1788, "To see if the Town will exempt any person or persons from being rated to the Congregational Society . . . that will legally certify . . . that they are of a different Denomination." Voted in the affirmative on the 18th of the same month. This only showed the direction of the wind. Quite a considerable number had before exempted themselves by such certificates, and here was a sort of invitation for many more to avail themselves of the same legal advantage. Jan. 24, 1791, "Voted to let the people of the Denomination called Universalers have liberty to meet in the Town's Meeting House on week days, when it is not otherwise wanted." May 6, 1795, "Voted to have former Certifi-

cates exempt persons from a Ministerial tax who have not changed their Persuasion." Such grew to be the state of public sentiment.

As to the meeting-house, its story may be told in a few words, by giving a summary abstract of the records. Aug. 12, 1782: a vote to repair, and committee chosen. Jan., 1783: fruitless attempt to induce the pew-owners to co-operate equitably in repairing. Unimportant action the next March about making more room for pews. Further action of the same sort the ensuing November. April, 1784, the committee on repairs ordered to be settled with; something had been done, but how much does not appear. At length, in Jan., 1791, a petition came before the Town from Oliver Daniell and several other responsible individuals, for permission to enlarge the house by cutting it in two and inserting fourteen feet, with the privilege of remunerating themselves by sale of the new pew-room thereby to be created. Granted, on condition of their giving a satisfactory bond for the proper execution of their undertaking. A little afterwards they were granted the further privilege of adding a porch, rebuilding the gallery stairs therein, and selling the pew-room thereby gained. Some painting was ordered to be done at the town's expense, and the improvements were completed. The whole was accepted, and the bond of the undertakers given up Oct. 22, 1792. This was a few months after Rev. Mr. Frost had gone to his rest. Thus the town had now a tolerably decent meeting-house for those times, fifty-four feet long by thirty-five in width, with a porch on its southern front perhaps fourteen by eight feet. This porch had three doors and two gallery staircases. The old east and west doors into the body of the house, heavily capped, still remained, and the pulpit stood on the northerly side. Dea. Peter Rockwood and other venerable survivors were my informants. They also remembered, and further said, that the new house, when erected, covered the spot where the old one stood, and, being larger, more ground. When the new house was enlarged and renovated, a few years ago, it was removed westwardly its whole length. So we must imagine the ancient sanctuary as standing lengthwise just eastwardly of the present one. At that time, what is now Congress St. did not cross the Common, or "Parade Ground" southwardly, but on the northerly side of the meeting-house turned short eastwardly into Main St. in front of the present Mansion House. And that part of the Common now fenced in exhibited an unpleasant-looking hollow, holding in winter and wet seasons a little pond three or four feet deep at some points.

As to the support of public worship, it had to be done mainly by subscription, contribution, or donation. Few would submit to com-

pulsory taxation. It was a vexed question for years, and all the more vexed because exempt citizens could vote on every question of the kind. Once a motion was put and carried, to tax all who presumed to vote on parish questions; but this only aggravated the sore. The trouble arose from the town feeling obliged to play two dissonant parts, — civil and religious. There was some income from the old "Ministry money;" but this had been shifted about from one set of borrowers to another, till, after growing beautifully less, it was invested in "Consolidated State Securities" of uncertain value. What finally became of this fund, remains to be ascertained. Rev. Mr. Frost received his dues in one way or another, too often tardily, down to his decease, March 14, 1792. His funeral expenses and the cost of his gravestones were honorably paid by the town. The pulpit was thenceforth supplied, through the action of town committees, until the settlement of his successor, Rev. David Long, early in the year 1801. During this long pastoral vacancy, there seems to have been a general indisposition, outside of the church, to be satisfied with candidates. Besides several who were merely heard a few sabbaths each, the church chose three in succession for settlement. These, for one reason or another, were either rejected by the town, or declined to accept on the terms offered. Rev. James Tufts was rejected by non-concurrence with the church, May 27, 1793. Next, Rev. John Fisk was concurrently elected, July 3, 1795; but such unsatisfactory conditions were imposed that he declined. Rev. Leonard Worcester was elected by the church in 1799, but forthwith rejected by the town. About forty different preachers filled up the pastoral vacancy between Mr. Frost and Mr. Long.

In the matter of church music, I do not find much action of either the church, precinct, or town, previous to 1800. The church, Dec. 2, 1748, made "choice of Dea. Daniel Corbett, sen., to be an assistant in reading the Psalm, and with him John Chapin. Likewise made choice and voted that Habijah French and Joseph Marshall should be assistants in Tuning the Psalm." Probably the old custom of lining and tuning the psalm or hymn continued for many years. Oct. 22, 1792, the Town "voted and gave leave for the Singers to build two or three Pews in the front Galleries in the Town's Meeting House, to be for the use of the present Singers, who now perform that part of Divine Worship, and their successors as Singers only." May 16, 1793, "Voted to have the Singers fetch a Bass Viol into the Meeting House on Sundays, and some person to play on the same in time of Singing." Whether there was any opposition to the introduction of this instrument (then violently resisted in some of the churches), does not appear. Nothing

was paid for sacred music in those days, at least in our general region of country; and volunteers for that service seem to have been thankful for the privilege, and especially so for a very little patronage.

In relation to pauperism, judging from the records, our townspeople had a great dread of it. Probably they felt poor in taxable resources, and wished in all practicable ways to prevent or lighten burdens of that nature. There were then stringent laws for determining inhabitancy and the liabilities of towns to maintain their own poor. Among these laws was one authorizing towns to prevent new-comers from gaining legal inhabitancy therein. This might be done by warning them out, or requiring bonds of somebody that they should not become a town charge. All new-comers, not allowed to gain an inhabitancy, could be thrown back for maintenance on the municipality where they belonged. Our early townsmen appear to have been much more anxious to avoid paupers than to increase population. I suspect most communities had more burdens of this sort then, in proportion to population and wealth, than we have now, at least in New England. Anyhow, the measures taken to prevent such burdens indicate an inveterate pauperphobia, as witness the following votes: May 18, 1780, "Voted to warn all persons out of the Town of Milford that have moved in since it was a Town, or that shall move into said Town hereafter." Jan. 24, 1791, "Voted to warn out of Town all persons who have come to reside in said Town since the 10th of April, 1767." This was making a pretty clean sweep of good, bad, and indifferent. Indeed, the numerous recorded warnings show that there was no respect of persons, for many new-comers who became first-quality citizens got warned out. Happily for the prosperity of the town, this warning-out soon became a mere bugbear formality, and nobody was deterred from moving in and staying through dread of its disgrace. Of course in some cases it saved the town from becoming chargeable.

The method of maintaining the town's poor during this period was such as then generally prevailed in New England. Those who could not be helped through the year in their own humble homes or in the families of near relatives, by small stipends, were let out by public vendue to bidders who would keep them cheapest, — some to fare well and others ill, according to the character of their keepers. Once or twice the town hired a house for a year at a time, appointed an overseer, and provided work for the inmates. But the selectmen found this unprofitable, and otherwise more or less impracticable. Various projects were started to obviate difficulties, — such as for the town to unite with the neighboring towns in establishing a work-

house, or, alone, to purchase a *poor-farm*, or to build an asylum; but none of these amounted to much at that period. (See this subject resumed and fully treated in Chapter X., "*Maintenance of the Town's Poor.*")

Respecting roads, education, cemeteries, etc, I will not now recount responsibilities assumed, intending to treat of these and various other subjects under appropriate heads in the subsequent chapters. In drawing the present one to a close, I will briefly notice the financial troubles which our early townsmen had to endure. They had to struggle, like their fellow-citizens throughout the nation, with most trying difficulties in monetary affairs. The currency of the times was mostly paper, till after the adoption of the Federal Constitution, 1787. Between 1775 and 1780 Massachusetts had emitted treasury-notes and bills of credit to the amount of £1,600,000, and the Continental Congress $400.000,000, old tenor. The quota of this Continental money received by Massachusetts was $59,800,000. All this to carry on the Revolutionary war. A comparatively small amount of hard money, nearly all silver, was either in circulation, or hoarded up by careful individuals. The depreciation of paper money was frightful to contemplate. In 1781 Continental bills of the old tenor passed five hundred dollars for one dollar of hard money. The old Massachusetts Bank of 1784 put some tolerably good money in circulation in redeemable bills, which served well as far as it went. The United States began to coin gold, silver, and copper money. Our State did the same for a short time, till prevented by the new Federal Constitution. Then decimal money took the place of pounds, shillings, and pence. In 1794 Massachusetts liquidated its scrip of all kinds, paying a moderate percentage of its nominal value; but many holders waited for better terms, and lost all. Milford, however, was wiser, having, May 19, 1788, "Voted to sell the whole of the State Securities now in the Town, and for the Selectmen . . . to dispose of the same at the best lay they can." Perhaps I ought to add here that the equivalent of the American, or certainly the Massachusetts pound, in dollars, was commonly reckoned to be three and one-third, so that every £100 would be $333\frac{1}{3}$. From the foregoing, respecting the currency of the times, the depreciation of paper money, etc., the reader will readily interpret the votes of the Town to raise money for whatever purpose; and, if some of the sums seem enormously extravagant, their small actual value accounts for it. Thus we find that on Sept. 4, 1780, one thousand pounds were raised "for Schooling Children;" but in 1782 only twenty pounds in silver. Probably the current value of the latter was equal, at least, to the former. So

in 1780, "Voted to raise £1,000 to defray Town charges." Then, again the same year, in July, "Voted to raise £6,080," for the same purpose; and in September of the same year, for the same purpose, "Voted to raise £70,000." At this last I looked at first with amazement; but lo, in 1781 the votes were first one hundred pounds, and at another meeting two hundred pounds, *silver*. And so the sums went on year after year variously to 1799, when the amount voted was eighty pounds.

[If in subsequent chapters, chiefly devoted to some of the foregoing topics, I repeat minor portions of what is contained in the foregoing, I shall hope to be excused on account of the difficulties involved in assorting, classifying, and arranging the details with exact propriety.]

CHAPTER VII.

ANNALS OF WARLIKE AND MILITARY SERVICE.

Previous to and during the Revolutionary War. — Martial Patriotism always Predominant here. — Down to the French and Indian War of 1756-63. — Reference to the Old Muster-Rolls. — Down through the Revolutionary War. — Men and Officers. — Events and Incidents. — Town Action. — Gen. Alex. Scammell.

From the Revolution to the Secession Rebellion. — Disbandment of the Army. — Militia Organization in Town, and Expenses. — Occasions of Alarm. — Shay's and Whiskey Insurrections, threatened War with France, etc. — Artillery Company organized in 1803. — Its Brilliant Career, March to Boston in 1814, at Call of General Order. — Names of Officers and Men. — Compensation, etc. — Organization of the "Lafayette Guards" in 1826. — Disbandment of both these Companies between 1843 and 1846. — Milford Captains and Higher Officers. — Changes in Militia Laws. — Enrolments. — Organization of "Company A" in 1853. — Its Career and Captains.

During and since the Secession Rebellion. — Gen. Schouler's Summary of Milford's Action, Contributions, and Sacrifices in Behalf of the National Cause. — Extracts from Headley on Gen. A. B Underwood's Heroism and Sufferings in the War. — Concerning Milford's Officers in the same, and Losses of Soldiers. — Grand Army Post, etc. — More Recent Military Companies organized, etc.

PREVIOUS TO AND DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

The inhabitants of Milford, before and since its incorporation as a town, have always been eminently patriotic and martial. They have had no treason or cowardice on their soil, and only a few non-resistants from Christian principle. The military spirit has always been conspicuous. The various records demonstrate this. How largely the easterly precinct of Mendon was represented by soldiers in the French and Indian war of 1744–48, I have not deemed it necessary to make research. It is probable that it then furnished soldiers; but, if so, I have not sufficiently informed myself to give any definite statement. There were, however, in those times plenty of men with military titles, acquired either in actual war or in home-military organizations. A train-band flourished in this precinct at an early period, and, I presume, continued to do so down to the great French war of 1755–56 to 1763, which was rendered memorable by the conquest of Canada. In that war all the precincts of Mendon were drawn heavily upon for soldiers. Here I am better informed, having been kindly privileged by Dr. John G. Metcalf to extract from

his manuscript "Annals of Mendon," such facts as seemed pertinent to this volume. The Dr. has rendered those Annals replete with very interesting details, drawn with great pains from various authentic records in the State and Town archives. I have appropriated only such of them as I deemed indispensable to our history. He copied from the muster-rolls in the State archives, vol. 95, p. 203, the names of Mendon soldiers in the company of Capt. Nathaniel Thwing, who served in the expedition to Crown Point in 1755. They were as follows: —

Nathan Tyler, Jr., 1st lieut., Joseph Clark, sergt. (d. in service), Peter Aldrich (do. do. do.), Eliphalet Wood, corp., William Hutchens (do.), John Watkins, drummer (servant to Jos. Johnson), Joseph Aaron (servant to David Daniels), William Barron (d. in service), Benj. Blake (servant to Daniel Taft, Jr.), Thos. Bryan, Joseph Clark, Jr., Daniel Davidson, Asa Daniels, John Holden, Stephen Johnson, Neal McNeal, John Passmore, William Rawson, John Spawford, John Vickery (d. in service), Aaron White (do.). Of these, I suppose Capt. Nathaniel Thwing, Eliphalet Wood, Daniel Davidson, John Passmore, and John Vickery must have belonged to our precinct, though I am not certain of them all. Possibly others in the list belonged here. In another company, commanded by Capt. John Jones, then of Bellingham, eldest son of our Eld. John, there were seventeen Mendon soldiers. Among these I recognize, as of this precinct, John Thwing, drummer, Joseph Cody, Josiah Tenney, Asahel Thayer, John Marsh, John Hill, John Gage, etc. In the muster-roll of Capt. Phinehas Lovett I find the names of Gershom Nelson, Gershom Chapin, John Perry, Moses Gage, Daniel Wedge, Benjamin Atwood, William Legg, Peter Brown, etc. These served in 1757. In later rosters occur those of Benj. Hayward, Dependence Hayward, Moses Tenney, Ebenezer Cheney, sergt., Caleb Cheney, Sr., Isaiah Corbett, Ichabod Marshall, Ichabod Robinson, Moses Ramsdell, Nathaniel Corbett, etc. The Dr's. "Annals" give names, dates, payments for service, and other particulars, with much exactness; also references to all his authorities. All, or nearly all, these were of our precinct. Some rolls seem to have been lost, not being found in the State archives. How many other fighting-men from this vicinity served in that seven-years' war, whose record has perished, is matter for uncertain conjecture. The names cited above show how largely the easterly precinct assisted, as well as Mendon throughout, in annexing the French Provinces of Canada, etc., to the British Empire.

When we reach the great agitation which culminated in the Ameri-

can War of Independence, we find Mendon and its three precincts in the front rank of the conflict. Its municipal population, led by the talented Joseph Dorr, Esq., kindled the beacon-fires of liberty; re-echoed the protests against British usurpation; held public meetings in behalf of endangered rights; organized a committee of "Correspondence, Inspection, and Safety;" and equipped no less than four companies of minute-men, two of which were mainly in our precinct. When the battle of Lexington occurred, April 19, 1775, and the consequent general alarm pealed through the land, these four companies immediately hurried to the field. One or both the Mill-River cos. actually marched in hot haste for the theatre of war on the very day of the battle, or certainly the next morning. One of these cos., numbered as "the *Second Company* of Mendon," consisted of the following-named officers and men: —

Dr. William Jennison, *Capt.*
Caleb Cheney, *Lieut.*
—— Jones, *Sergt.*
Josiah Brown, *Corpl.*
Samuel Bowditch.
Joseph Gibbs.
John Hayward.
Jesse Hayward.
Jona. Hayward.
Jacob Hayward.
Joshua Hayward.
Warfield Hayward.
Joseph Jones, jun.
John Jones.
Abraham Jones, jun.
Eli Partridge.
Seth Thayer.
Josiah Wheelock.
William Ward.
Daniel White.
Benj. Vickery.
Samuel Cobb, *Lieut.*
Adams Chapin, *Sergt.*
William Jennison, jun., *Sergt.*
John Gibbs, *Sergt.*
Sheffield Partridge, *Corpl.*
Asa Albee, *Corpl.*
William Lesure, *Corpl.*
Samuel French, *Drummer.*
David French, *Fifer.*
Edmund Bowker.
Samuel Davis.
Ebenr Davis.
Aaron Davis.
William Cheney.
Benj. Norcross.
Henry Nelson.
Amos Shepherdson.
Abraham Stearns.
Eli Whitney, jun.
Saml. Warren.

The other Mill-River co., numbered "the *Fourth Company* of Mendon," consisted of the following-named officers and men: —

Gershom Nelson, *Capt.*
Jesse Whitney, *Lieut.*
Josiah Nelson, *Lieut.*
Moses Chapin, *Sergt.*
Simeon Wiswall, *Sergt.*
Joseph Cody, *Sergt.*
Nathl Parkhurst, *Sergt.*
Ephraim Parkhurst, *Corpl.*
Levi Thayer, *Corpl.*
Daniel Legg, *Corpl.*

Ichabod Nelson, *Corpl.*
Gershom Legg.
Robert Corbett.
Ebenr. Read.
Jonas Parkhurst.
Elisha White.
John Robinson.
Aaron Merrifield.
Stephen Chapin.
Daniel Wedge.
Ichabod Corbett.
Daniel Hayward.
James Albee.
Eph^{m} Chapin.
Enoch Perry.
Darius Sumner.
Levi Hayward.
Nathan Beal.
Gershom Twitchell.
Levi Legg.
Saml. Jones.
Daniel Chapin.
Isaac Littlefield.
Moses Gage.
Isaac Chapin.
David Chapin.
Saml. Thayer.
David Legg, jun.
Alexander Wheelock.
James Sprague.
Jonas Twitchell.
Darius Holbrook.
Silas Brooks.
Josiah Kilburn.

These Mendon cos. joined the thousands of troops that thronged the vicinity of Boston. Of these, a hundred and fifteen enlisted as three-months' men into the regular army. Among the latter a large percentage evidently belonged to our precinct. The following names appear: Sergt. Samuel French, Amos Shepherdson, David French, James Sprague, Benj. Vickery, Asa Albee, Edmund Bowker, Capt. Samuel Cobb, Cor. Peter Corbett, Wm. Cheney, William Legg, Wm. Lesure, Jonas Twitchell, Saml. Thayer, Joel Thayer, Lt. Joseph Cody, Sergt. Adams Chapin, Isaac Chapin, Josiah Chapin, Jno. Dewing, Wm. Brown, Aaron Davis, Saml. Davis, Robt. Mingo (a negro man), Henry Nelson, Daniel Norcross, Benj. Norcross, Sheffield Partridge, Joseph Passmore, Aquilla Ramsdell, Daniel White, Jona. Whitney, Elias Whitney, Capt. Saml. Warren, etc. Some of these names may not be found in the roll of minute-men, and I may have claimed one or two belonging to the other precincts. I think, however, I have left out several that ought to be included, through uncertainty as to their proper locality. Whether any of these three-months' men of 1775 took part in the battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, I do not learn from the accounts. But that they were enrolled in the army in and around Cambridge, under Gen. Washington, there is no doubt.

Dr. Metcalf's annals are full, explicit, and interesting, all the way down from the opening of the Revolution to its close. In what concerns our history, we find on the Mendon records ample evidence that the people of our precinct shared most honorably with their fellow-townsmen at large in every patriotic and self-sacrificing measure

adopted in behalf of the common cause. They contributed liberally for the relief of their distressed fellow-citizens in Boston while held in durance by the British troops, and those of Charlestown when laid in ashes at the battle of Bunker Hill. There was a continual succession of calls for soldiers in the army and for supplies of every description towards its maintenance. Men, money, arms, ammunition, and all sorts of levies, drained the town's resources. Meantime, the County and State governments had to be thoroughly reconstructed. The National Declaration of Independence had to be decided on, and the United States Constitution under the Confederation adopted. In every stage of these proceedings the citizens of this precinct took an active and responsible part. Their leading men were prominent on all the committees that managed warlike matters, and were members of the congresses and conventions of the Commonwealth which so frequently sat in those trying times. They paid their taxes, and furnished their soldiers in full proportion to recruit the Continental armies. In descending to the corporate acts of Milford as a town, it remains for me merely to give the names of our precinct soldiers, so far as I can distinguish them, between 1776 and 1780. Of some there seems to be no record other than references in town votes. The muster-rolls of 1776 especially, are missing, and others. "The following are the names of Mendon men who enlisted for 3 years. 2d Co. (Mill River), 19."

Joseph Passmore, Joel Thayer, Phineas Tanner, John Brown, Wm. Lesure, Stephen Lesure, James Battles, Henry Nelson, Isaac Chapin, Jona. Whitney, Josiah Chapin, John Hayward, Amariah Albee, Boyce Kimball, Eben^{r} Thompson, Oliver Chapin, Simeon Smith, Silas Brown, David Cutler. Oliver Chapin is noticed as one of Gen. Washington's Life-Guards, and Simeon Smith as in the corps of artillery under Lieut. Thomas Bailey. All these are put down under date of 1777. There were others, of various dates and periods of service, not easily distinguishable from their Mendon comrades. Among the nine-months' men for the Rhode Island service in 1778, I find John Brown, Joseph Chapin (d. in service), Isaac Chapin, David Cutler, John Howard (d. in service), Boyce Kimball, Wm. Lesure, and others whose locality seems probable, but not certain. Some few enlisted for the war, some for three years, some for nine months, etc. The following were nine-months' men of 1778, from the easterly precinct, who are supposed to have gone into the Northern Army; viz., Calvin Smith, Darius Holbrook, Caleb Holbrook, Jona. Kimball, Wm. Cutting, Artemas Cheney, and John Dewing. The following-named enlisted during the war: Silas Brown, Aaron Davis, Paul Davis,

Benjamin Hayward, Henry Nelson, Joseph Passmore, Saul Ramsdell, Joel Thayer, Samuel Thayer, and Jona. Whitney (killed). Of two or three others I have doubts just where they belonged. Amariah Albee is set down as a three-years' man who d. in service. Oliver Chapin is ranked among the dragoons, and Amariah Vose as an artilleryman. Our Jona. Hayward was in the R. I. service during part of 1878. Among the nine-months' men for R. I. service from our precinct in 1779, I find the names of Darius Holbrook, Jona. Kimball, Wm. Cutting, Artemas Cheney, Jno. Dewing, Asa Albee, Caleb Holbrook, Moses Ramsdell, Samuel Thayer, and Moses Parkhurst. This brings me down to the separation of Milford from Mendon. If I have made omissions and mistakes, I hope to be excused in consideration of the difficulties incident to the case. Upon the incorporation of Milford, the two towns, pursuant to previous agreement, made equitable division of their arms, ammunition, and complicated military responsibilities then existing. As to what followed to the end of the war, I shall content myself with reciting simply the principal votes of our town relating to martial matters, condensing and epitomizing so far as allowable.

TOWN ACTION.

1780, MAY 18. Voted a committee of five to hire soldiers.

JUNE 26. Voted that the town assume payment of all fines imposed on its officers for delinquencies in filling the draft.

SEPT. 11. Voted to give each soldier that marched to R.I., upon the late alarm, twelve days, a thousand dollars: these must have been dollars in depreciated currency. There was, however, a qualifying proviso, that the soldiers give the selectmen "an order to draw the whole of their wages, allowance, and travelling fees that the Gen. Court might award them."

OCT. 2. Voted that the selectmen pay out of the town's money "for the clothing called for by the State, if it cannot be got from the State before the creditors want their money."

OCT. 16. "Voted that Capt. Saml. Warren, Jno. Robinson and Obadiah Wood be a Committee to procure the beef called for by the State, and deliver it to Jacob Davis, Esq., agent for that purpose in Charlton."

OCT. 16. "Voted that Eben^{r} Holbrook, Capt. Gershom Nelson and Capt. Ichabod Thayer be a Committee, in conjunction with the Selectmen, to procure the articles for the soldiers that the Selectmen have given security for."

OCT. 16. Saml. Jones made a committee-man, in conjunction with

Mendon com., to get a settlement with Dr. Wm. Jennison for borrowed powder.

Nov. 28. Capt. Saml. Warren added to the last named com., for settlement of all accts. with Dr. J., and "to pursue in law, if occasion require." It does not appear what Dr. Jennison's delinquency was, further than that he owed for borrowed powder. The Dr. at this date had removed from Milford to Douglas.

Nov. 28. "Voted that Lt. Jesse Whitney, Capt. Saml. Warren, Lt. Seth Nelson, Lt. Saml. Jones and Capt. Ichabod Thayer be a Com. to settle with John Battle for his team going to the late alarm, which was to R. Island."

Dec. 25. Voted that Capt. Saml. Warren, Eben^{r} Holbrook, and Lt. Joseph Cody be a com. to procure beef, or money in lieu of beef, at the town's cost, agreeable to a resolve of Gen. Ct., passed Dec. 4, 1780.

Dec. 25. Voted to raise $15,000 to procure beef.

Voted that the same Com. that was chosen the 18th of last May to hire soldiers, should hire the soldiers requested at this time by the State, and have allowance for their trouble.

1781, Jan. 8. Voted to raise 1,000 hard or silver dollars for the purpose of hiring ten soldiers for 3 years, or during the war.

The said 1,000 silver dollars to be hired, if otherwise unobtainable.

Mar. 26. Mendon delivered to Milford its proportion of arms and ammunition, as previously agreed. (Items not found on record.)

April 2. Voted that Capt. Gershom Nelson, Capt. Saml. Warren, and Elijah Thayer be a com. to settle with the soldiers that lately marched to R.I.

May 14. Voted that Dea. Gideon Albee, Josiah Wheelock, Lt. Seth Thayer, Obadiah Wood, and Lt. Joseph Gibbs be a com. to hire soldiers the ensuing year.

Aug. 20. Voted to risk, as a Town, the fine for the 2 Continental men said Town is delinquent in raising.

Dec. 5. Voted that Seth Nelson and Daniel Wedge, Constables, be the men to hire the remaining part of the Continental men. Voted £160 to hire said men.

1782, March 5. Voted to allow Joseph Cody for collecting and driving beef to Charlton, $8.

March 18. Voted to raise £150 forthwith for the purpose of hiring 4 Continental soldiers for 3 yrs., and that no town order "should answer this Rate."

April 15. Voted to indemnify the assessors of the town from any fine relative to orders from Gen. Ct. passed Mar. 8, 1782, for the

purpose of raising 4 Continental soldiers for 3 yrs., or during the war. The war had dragged on so tediously and exhaustively, that it had become extremely difficult to raise recruits for the army. Fortunately it was now drawing to a close.

May 29. Voted that Lt. Seth Nelson, Elijah Thayer and Moses Gage be a com. to hire soldiers, and that said com. have reasonable pay for service out of town.

Dec. 9. Relative to an art. in the warrant, "To see if the Town will relieve Godfrey Hyers, Israel Brown, Jr. and Caleb Albee from the Continental army, by sending men to take their places, or pay the sum engaged them after they have served one year, — Voted and chose Capt. Saml. Warren to go to Camp and do his best endeavor to hire 3 Continental soldiers to release 3 others at Camp, and make report to the Town."

1783, March 4. Voted to allow Capt. Saml. Warren £9, 6*s.* for his service to camp hiring soldiers.

From these chronicles it appears that our citizens were patriotic and faithful unto the end of the Revolution, as they had been at the beginning and through every stage of it; but their most memorable offering on the altar of national independence was the life of their distinguished and beloved fellow-citizen, Gen. Alexander Scammell.

He was a son of Dr. Samuel Leslie and Mrs. Jane Scammell, born in our then easterly precinct in 1744; graduated at Harvard University in 1769; studied law with Gen. John Sullivan; became col. of the First N. Hampshire Regt., chosen Light Infantry; fought and was wounded at the battle of Saratoga in 1777; attained the rank of adj.-gen. 1780, was numbered among the most confidential friends of Gen. Washington: was field-officer on Sept. 30, 1781, at the siege of Yorktown, when he was surprised by a party of the enemy's cavalry while reconnoitring, and, after capture, inhumanly wounded. Being conveyed prisoner to Williamsburg, Va., he there died of his wounds, Oct. 6, 1781. (See Part II., Genealogical Regr., family-name Scammell.) . . .

[1] It may be interesting to mention, in this connection, that in 1840 there survived, as Revolutionary pensioners in this town, the following-named soldiers and widows of soldiers: —

	AGE.		AGE.
Darius Sumner	84.	Ezekiel Jones	82.
Abigail Morse	87.	Anna Lawrence	80.
Hachaliah Whitney	78.	Samuel Warfield	84.
Caleb Albee	75.	Edmund Bowker	83.
Nathan Wood	80.		

FROM THE REVOLUTION TO THE SECESSION REBELLION.

The Revolution was consummated by the treaty of peace between Great Britain and the United States, whereby our national independence was conclusively acknowledged. This treaty was virtually made Nov. 30, 1782, but not considered complete till another had been agreed on, Jan. 18, 1783, which included France and Spain, allies of the United States, in the general settlement. Peace was formally proclaimed in the American army by Gen. Washington on the 19th of April, 1783, just eight years to a day from the opening of the bloody conflict at the battle of Lexington. The Revolutionary army was soon after disbanded, and its surviving heroes permitted to return to their homes. A war-worn and exhausted people gladly welcomed their hard-earned repose; but as our civilization stands on the ancient war reliant basis, it must, of course, be governed by the maxim, "In time of peace prepare for war." Hence Massachusetts, like the other States, presently provided for a well-organized militia. In the re-organization which followed, Milford was included in the 2d Regt., 1st brigade, 7th division. It is believed to have had but one full company of ordinary infantry enrolled, until after the year 1800. The laws of that period required that towns should keep decently stocked depositories of powder and other necessary ammunition. Whether Milford, like the older towns, had an isolated *powder-house*, I have never been told; but the records show that powder, and sometimes in the form of cartridges, was amply provided for the soldiers. Year after year we find it voted to allow each soldier in the training-band a certain quantity of powder for the regimental review, or general muster day. Thus 1790, Oct. 4, "Voted to give each soldier in the Training band one half a pound of powder out of the Town stock, to furnish him with cartridges for the Regimental Review." 1794, Aug. 20, "Voted to allow each non-commissioned officer and soldier in Capt. Saml. Nelson's Company one pound of powder for a Muster day."

OCCASIONS OF ALARM.

There were several of these between the two wars with England, when requisitions were made by government for military forces to be in readiness for marching orders. The first was occasioned by the Shay's Insurrection, whose core was the county of Worcester, 1786–7. In the warrant for a town-meeting to be held Jan. 19, 1787, was the following article: "To see what said Town will do respecting the men's marching to Worcester by order of Government, according to the Draft made by Capt. Ichabod Thayer the 17th day of Jan. inst., or take any other method to procure said quota of men." But

just about that time the insurrection burst and vanished away, so nothing more was required of military force. The second alarm was occasioned by the Whiskey Insurrection of 1794 in Western Pennsylvania. That mustered over six thousand insurgents, and was deemed so formidable that President Washington ordered the whole militia of the nation to hold itself in readiness to furnish any levy he might feel obliged to call for. This explains the following: 1794, Aug. 20, "Voted to make up (including his wages) to each non-commissioned officer and soldier of said Town, who shall voluntarily enlist or be drafted to go into Public Service agreeably to the late Requisition, Ten Dollars per month, if they are called into Service, and to pay each man Four Dollars advance pay, and also Two Dollars to each man for the trouble of Mustering." The whiskey malecontents, however, were soon suppressed, and our Milford men had merely the trouble of mustering. Exactly how many there were of them, is left in some uncertainty; but I learn from the Selectmen's Order Book of that period that the following named persons received each his two dollars, i.e., his town-order for that sum: John Walker, Rufus Wing, Seth Thayer, jun., Caleb Albee, Obadiah Wheelock, Abijah Bruce, Asa Pratt, Ezekiel Jones, Gardner White, Luther Chapin, Nathl. Ingraham, Cephas Hayward, Ebenezer Sumner, jun., John Corbett, Artemas Thayer, Zuriel Hayward, Samuel Hayward, Seth Allen, jun., Solomon Jones. If there were others they were not recorded, or possibly I have overlooked their names. In 1797 another alarm was occasioned by serious apprehensions of a war with France; hence, probably, the following vote: 1797, Oct. 2, "Voted to give each soldier Nine Shillings who shall enlist or be detached, according to a late Requisition of Congress, to hold himself in readiness to march into Public Service at a minute's warning; and also to give each soldier Ten Dollars who shall actually march into Service." Amicable negotiations insured peace, and no service was required of our soldiers. In 1807 there began to be fears of a war with England, and some preparations were made for national defence. Hence the Town, on Sept. 7 of that year, "Voted to allow the soldiers that have enlisted, to enable them to equip themselves and stand ready to march at a minute's warning in defence of their country's right (viz., those that belong to the town of Milford) Three Dollars each." Accordingly the following named persons received three dollars each in selectmen's orders: Ezra Nelson, Jesse Disper, Lemuel Parkhurst, Henry Nelson, Ebenr. Hunt, Lovell Clark, David Littlefield, Luther Claflin, Amasa Fairbanks, Eli Chapin, Jason Disper, Asa Cheney, Elijah Farrington, John Tourtellott, Amariah Hayward. Possibly there were others unrecorded or

overlooked. Feverish apprehensions of coming war frequently recurred till it actually came in 1812. Here is another vote: 1809, April 3, "Voted to give the soldiers that turned out or were drafted in Dec. 1808 Two Dollars each, for their holding themselves in readiness to march at a minute's warning." Of these we find the following named on record: Caleb Cheney, Rufus Thayer, Ira Cleveland, Ezra Nelson, Ellis Sumner, Jared Rawson, Sullivan Sumner, John Parkhurst, Alexander Scammell, Joseph Wiswall, Levi Twitchell, Otis Albee, William Pool, Abner Pond, Ichabod Thayer, jun., Lot Wiswall, Arial Bragg, Joel Stanford, David Littlefield, Amos Howard. During these years, 1809, '10, '11, etc., we find various orders given out in payment for ammunition and incidental miltary services.

Early in the year 1803 the long-famous artillery company was organized under Pearley Hunt, Capt. John Claflin, jun., 1st Lieut., and Levi Chapin, 2d Lieut. The *élite* of the town eagerly enrolled themselves in its ranks. It was furnished with two handsome brass field-pieces and the necessary accompaniments, and was attached to a distinct battalion, commanded by a major and staff. It attracted to its banner the ambitious chivalry of the town, with generally a sprinkling of kindred materials from the adjacent towns. It was the pride of the vicinage, and was seldom outrivalled in the brigade by any independent company. It waxed and waned through various seasons, more or less prosperous, till its disbandment in 1846. When the last war with England was culminating in 1814, this company was called into service, nominally for three months, in connection with the State troops deemed necessary for the defence of Boston. What was then called the Federal party had political control of the State, and Caleb Strong was Governor. That party had been violently opposed to the war, and to President Madison's administration of the Gen. Govt. The Federalists of N. England seemed to have hoped, for a time, that the British forces might be restrained by policy from invading those States of the Union which had protested against the declaration of war by the Republican party under Madison. But they found no favors shown on that ground by the common enemy. The whole sea-coast of the country was threatened by British fleets, and at several points destructively assailed. Boston and its vicinity was considered in danger; and Gov. Strong, under date of Sept. 6, 1814, called out several thousands of the State militia. Our Artillery Co. was included in the call, and marched promptly in obedience to the following orders: —

"Massachusetts Militia, 7th Division, Head Quarters Milbury, Sept. 8th, 1814, 12 O'clock at night. Pursuant to General Orders, a copy whereof is

hereunto subjoined, the Majr. General orders that forthwith you muster the Company of Artillery under your command, and immediately march to Boston, having your Guns and Tumbril and all the Equipments required by law for actual service, knapsacks, blankets and three days' provision for your men. Your Company will be in uniform. Your Company will be alert and on your march by the sabbath morning at 8 O'clock, and as much earlier as possible. Evince your patriotism and gallantry. The Capital of the State is invaded; your territory is threatned; your Country demands your services. The Majr. Gen. relies that by your promptitude the honor of his command shall be maintained.

By Caleb Burbank.

To Capt. Rufus Thayer *Commanding the Artillery Company in the 2d Regt., 1st Brigade, 7th Division."* [Copied from the Company's preserved records.]

A ROLL OF CAPT. RUFUS THAYER'S ARTILLERY CO., CAMP SOUTH BOSTON, SEPT. 12, 1814.

Rufus Thayer, *Capt.*
Ezra Nelson, *Lieut.*
Henry Nelson, *Lieut.*
Levi Rockwood, *Sergt.*
Clark Ellis, *Sergt.*
Samuel Nelson, jun., *Sergt.*
Leonard Chapin, *Sergt.*
Isaac Davenport, *Corpl.*
Lewis Hayward, *Corpl.*
Calvin Johnson, *Corpl.*
Clark Sumner, *Corpl.*
Levi Saunders, *Musician.*
Moses Littlefield, *Musician.*
Ethan Weston, *Musician.*
James Bowker, *Musician.*

PRIVATES.

William Andrews.
Silas Baker.
James Barber.
Jonathan Bathrick.
Hartwell Bills.
Stacy Bosworth.
Eli Chapin.
Lovell Clark.
Ira Cleveland.
Elijah Farrington.
Isaac Kebbe.
Jones Pond.
Preston Pond.
Josiah Perry.
Peter Rockwood.
Alexander Parkhurst.
Emory Sumner.
Leonard Taft.
Ellis Taft.
Amasa Taft.
Benjamin Woodward.

DRIVERS.

Lebbeus Daniels.
Silas Gould.
John Corbett.
Amos Madden.
Samuel Crooks.
John Stearns.
Chester Clark.
Daniel Thurber.

This co. of forty-four men reported themselves in Boston without delay, in prime order, and were presently encamped at So. Boston, ready for actual service. But the enemy gave them no opportunity to show their heroism on any field of battle. Peace was at hand, and within two months they were honorably discharged. Milford was

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largely Republican in those times, and stanchly devoted to President Madison's administration. A large majority of its citizens went in for prosecuting the war with England vigorously, and abhorred the anti-war Federalists. They repeatedly voted encouragement to volunteers and soldiers, holding themselves in readiness to go into actual service at call. Thus we find the following recorded entries: 1812, May 4, "Voted to give the soldiers Five Dollars each that shall volunteer their services or be detached agreeably to Orders." 1812, Nov. 2, "Voted to give those soldiers that are detached and are liable to be called for Seven Dollars a month over and above their Continental pay, or the pay they shall receive from Govt. when they are called into actual service." 1814, Aug. 15, "Voted to make up the soldiers that belong to the Town of Milford, that now are or shall be hereafter called into actual service under the present Requisition of Govt., equal to Seventeen Dollars per month, including Govt. pay, to be paid at the close of their actual service." These pledges appear to have been faithfully fulfilled. Divers other war expenses were undertaken, and duly paid. I find the names of eleven men who claimed and recd. the five-dollar bounty; and probably there were several others who got either the five dollars or the seven dollars. The artillerymen that marched to Boston had their seventeen dollars per month promptly made up to them, according to promise. On their return from camp at So. Boston, in Oct. 1814, they were received by their townsmen with enthusiastic demonstrations; and on the 30th of that month they attended public worship in a body, when they were honored with a congratulatory sermon from Rev. David Long. That sermon was requested for publication, and is one of the few from Mr. Long's pen that survive him in print.

Perhaps I ought, in justice to the lady friends of this company, to mention a high testimonial of respect and admiration tendered them on the 4th of July, 1827. That day was celebrated with unusual demonstrations of manifold patriotic display; and I had the honor to be the orator of the occasion. The ladies, with unstinted liberality of subscription, had procured a new and elegant standard for formal presentation to the company, and matured all their arrangements accordingly. The presentation was an important beginning of the day's proceedings. A vast assemblage of citizens from this and the neighboring towns, of both sexes and all ages, including several handsomely equipped independent military companies, thronged the town Common. Capt. Clark Sumner commanded the Artillery Co., which was out in full numbers and bright uniform. Lieut. Isaac Davenport was the second officer, and John Corbett, jun., the third, or

standard-bearer. A suitable platform had been erected on the westerly side of the Common, commodious enough to seat the Committee of Arrangements, Rev. clergy, etc. After prayer by one of the clergy present, I forget whom, Miss Lucy Hunt, eldest daughter of Pearley Hunt, Esq., then in her seventeenth year, with Miss Laura Ann Adams on her right hand and Miss Harriet Hunt on her left, all in their maiden bloom, and tastefully attired, partially unfurled the banner, gracefully delivered an appropriate address, and presented it to 2d Lieut. Corbett. He received it with an appreciative response, when the band struck up one of their liveliest airs, and the ladies were gallantly escorted back to Col. Sumner's hotel, whence they had come, amid the delighted manifestations of the multitude.

In the spring of 1826, a sprightly company of light infantry was organized in town, called "the Lafayette Guards." Its first officers were Lewis Johnson, Capt.; Samuel B. Pemiman, 1st Lieut.; Albert Newhall, 2d Lieut. This company emulated the artillery, and shared its honors in a greater or less degree down to 1846, or thereabouts, when it was disbanded for some reason by Gen. Order. The following statement will exhibit the succession of Milford captains in the three several companies, and their promotion to higher grades, when that occurred, from 1786 down to 1846. I may have overlooked one or two in my examination of the Adjutant-General's rosters: —

CAPTAINS OF THE ORDINARY INFANTRY.

Ichabod Thayer, Capt., 1786; Majr., 1788; Lieut.-Col. Commandant, 1790.
Samuel Jones, Capt., 1788; Majr., 1790; Lieut.-Col. Commandant, 1792.
Nathaniel Parkhurst, Capt., 1791.
Samuel Nelson, Capt., 1793; rose to be Majr. and Col. before 1800.
Benjamin Godfrey, Capt., 1699; Majr., 1802; Lieut.-Col. Comdt., 1805.
Ezekiel Jones, Capt., 1802.
Hachaliah Whitney, Capt., 1805; Majr., 1809.
Henry E. Wheelock, Capt., 1809.
Arial Bragg, Capt., 1812; Majr., 1815; Lieut.-Col., 1817; Col., 1819.
Sullivan Sumner, Capt., 1815; Majr., 1817; Col., 1820.
Silas Parkhurst, Capt., 1817.
Robert Corbett, Capt., 1821.
Sylvester Dean, Capt., 1823.
Rufus Chapin, Capt., 1825.
Eleazer Parkhurst, Capt., 1828.
Fowler Bragg, Capt., 1831.
Leonard Hunt, Capt., 1834; Majr., —— Lieut.-Col., 1837.
Samuel Oliver, Capt., 1839, etc.

The old militia organization abolished, 1840.

CAPTAINS OF THE ARTILLERY CO.

Pearley Hunt, Capt., 1803; Majr. of Battalion, 1806.
John Claflin, jun., Capt., 1806; Majr. of Battalion, 1808.
Levi Chapin, Capt., 1808; Majr. of Battalion, 1810.
Samuel Penniman, Capt., 1810; Majr. of Battalion, 1812.
Amasa Parkhurst, Capt., 1812.
Zuriel Hayward, Capt., 1814; Majr. of Battalion, 1814.
Rufus Thayer, Capt., 1814.
Ezra Nelson, Capt., 1816.
Henry Nelson, Capt., 1819.
Clark Ellis, Capt., 1821.
Clark Sumner, Capt., 1823; Majr. of Battalion, 1827.
John Corbett, jun., Capt., 1827; Majr. of Battalion, 1829.
Peter Corbett, Capt., 1829; Lieut.-Col., Infantry, 1832; Col., 1833.
Hiram Hunt, Capt., 1832.
Cooledge Perry, Capt., 1834; soon after rose to be Majr.
Horatio N. Smith, Capt., 1835.
Orison Underwood, Capt., 1837; Majr., 1837; Col., Infantry, 1839; Brig. Gen., 1841.
Ira Cheney, Capt., 1837.
Ziba Thayer, Capt., 1838.
Adam Hunt, Capt., 1839; rose to be Col., Infantry Regt., 1841.
Sterling Parkhurst, Capt., 1839.
Artemas B. Vant, Capt., 1840.
William Cook, Capt., 1841, etc.
William P. Miller, Capt., 1844, etc.
Alonzo Thompson, Capt., 1845.
Disbanded Dec. 12, 1846.

CAPTAINS OF THE LAFAYETTE GUARDS.

Lewis Johnson, Capt., 1826; Lieut.-Col., 1830 to 1832.
Albert Newhall, Capt., 1829.
Charles T. Eames, Capt., 1832.
Aaron Claflin, Capt., 1833.
Samuel Daniels, Capt., 1835.
Morton Newhall, Capt., 1836.
William R. Bliss, Capt., 1838; Lieut.-Col., 1843.
Washington Ellis, Capt., 1842.
Augustus Thayer, Capt., 1843.
Timothy Ide, jun., Capt., 1845, etc.
Disbanded April 6, 1846.

So many changes have been made in the militia-laws since 1840, that it is difficult for any one but an expert to treat of them accurately. About that time, the old-fashioned infantry organizations were abolished, and train-bands of that class have become obsolete. What are

called volunteer companies were constituted our "active militia." But the statutes required an annual enrolment to be made of citizens held liable to do military service in certain emergencies. It was made the duty of the assessors to make up such enrolments, and, if I mistake not, the town-clerk's duty to send a copy of them to the Adjt.-Gen's. office in Boston. The number enrolled in Milford may be inferred from the following specifications made for every fifth year since the requirement commenced: For 1840, 145; for 1845, 464; for 1850, 819; for 1855, 1,072; for 1860, 970 for 1865, not found; for 1871, 1,395; for 1875, 1,386.

In 1853, a volunteer co. of infantry, designated as "Co. A," was organized in town. This co. continued in greater or less vigor till the war of the Rebellion broke out, soon after which, a portion of it became incorporated with a N. Y. regt., called "the Mozart," and went into the Federal service. Its succession of captains was nearly as follows: —

Nathan W. Heath, 1853.
James H. Barker, 1855; Lieut.-Col. 10th Regt., 1856.
Elbridge Mann, 1857.
James M. Mason, 1859.
P. Allen Lindsey, 1861. Capt. Lindsey went to the war with a portion of his co., and perhaps other enlisted men.

There was a military company of Irish-Americans, some little time preceding the war, called "the Davis Guards," commanded by Capt. Robert Peard. But, if I have been correctly informed, that co. organized themselves, and operated outside of the regular State militia, on their own responsibility. When, however, the war broke out, and volunteers were called for, Capt. Peard went into the conflict, became Lieut.-Col. of the Ninth Regt., contracted a fatal disease by his exposure, and ultimately died in consequence. Probably more or less of "the Davis Guards" enlisted in the national service.

DURING AND SINCE THE SECESSION REBELLION.

Perhaps I cannot do better than to embody in this section a copy of Adjutant-Gen. William Schouler's summary of Milford's patriotic sacrifices in behalf of the American Union during the great civil war. Gen. Schouler published an elaborate History of Massachusetts in that war. The summary referred to is given in the second volume of the work. Our excellent town-clerk, at that historian's request, furnished him, in ample detail, all the requisite data; and he arranged and condensed them according to his own judgment. I copy from him as follows: —

Milford. — Incorporated April 11, 1780. Population in 1860, 9,132; in 1865, 9,102. Valuation in 1860, $3,155,601; in 1865, $3,275,232.

The selectmen, in 1861, were James H. Barker, Obed Daniels, George B. Pierce; in 1862, Obed Daniels, Leonard Hunt, George Jones; in 1863, Obed Daniels, Leonard Hunt, Andrew J. Sumner; in 1864, Henry O. Lothrop, Zibeon C. Field, John S. Mead, William S. Wilkinson, Elbridge G. Cook; in 1865, Zibeon C. Field, John S. Mead, James R. Davis.

The town-clerk, during all these years, was Lewis Fales. The town-treasurer, during the years 1861, 1862, and 1863, was Sylvester Dean; in 1864 and 1865, Ethan C. Claflin.

1861. — The first meeting to consider matters in relation to the war was held on the 13th of May, at which A. C. Mayhew, Obed Daniels, Winslow Battles, J. C. Scammell, A. C. Withington, F. A. Johnson, and A. W. Walcott, were appointed to consider and report "a plan of procedure in relation to the course the Town should adopt in respect to the war." This committee reported that the Town appropriate three thousand dollars to equip the soldiers of Milford who have enlisted, and for incidental expenses; two thousand dollars for a contingent war-fund; and ten thousand dollars to pay State aid to soldiers' families, and for other purposes. One dollar a day was allowed to each person "belonging to Company A," while engaged in drilling. The report was accepted; and James R. Claflin, Elias Whitney, John Morris, Edwin Battles, and Freeman Walcott were chosen "to carry out the recommendations contained in the report." June 11 provision was made for the payment of State aid to the families of soldiers, and to parents, brothers, and sisters dependent upon them; the whole, for both, not to exceed twenty dollars a month to each family and dependents of a soldier. Dec. 9 six thousand dollars were appropriated for State aid to soldiers' families.

1862. March 31. — Twenty thousand dollars were appropriated for aid, during the year, to the families and dependents of volunteers belonging to Milford. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: —

Resolved, By the inhabitants of the town of Milford, in legal town-meeting assembled, that we have heard with pride of the heroic conduct of the officers and soldiers of Company B, Twenty-fifth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, and our other fellow-citizens of Milford engaged in the battles of Roanoke and Newbern.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to an overruling Providence, and our congratulations to our fellow-citizens in the fields aforesaid; that amid perils by sea, in the camp, and in the shock of battle, so few have paid for their patriotism with their lives; that the patient endurance of these our fellow-citizens, their unflinching courage, and their glorious victories, will live forever in the history of the town of Milford.

Resolved, That we tender them our congratulations, that, as members of the Twenty-fifth Regiment, and bearers of the flag, they were the first to raise the flag of our old Commonwealth over the batteries of the enemy at Newbern.

Resolved, That we tender to the friends of those who have fallen in the service our heartfelt sympathies, with the assurance that the names of the fallen will ever be held in honored memory.

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded in the town-records, and a copy of the same be sent to Capt. Willard Clark, commanding said company.

The treasurer was authorized to borrow twenty thousand dollars, if it be necessary, to pay aid to the families of volunteers. The town-clerk, James H. Barker, and John Reed, were appointed to prepare a full list of the persons belonging to the town who have enlisted, or who shall enlist, in the United States service, "and also to keep a record of any action the Town may take in the suppressing of the present Rebellion." July 21 the selectmen were authorized to pay a bounty of one hundred and twenty-five dollars for each volunteer who shall enlist for three years, and be credited to the quota of the town. The selectmen were authorized to open a recruiting-office in the town. Aug. 18 Peter O'Callaghan, George Draper, T. G. Kent, John Reade, and Elbridge Mann — a committee appointed at a previous meeting — made a report in regard to making provision for the support of persons wounded in the military service, and the families of persons killed. The recommendations were just and liberal, and the Town took favorable action upon the same. A bounty of one hundred and twenty-five dollars was directed to be paid to volunteers for nine months' service. Nov. 4 fourteen thousand dollars were appropriated for State aid to soldiers' families.

1863. April 6. — State aid was directed to be paid to soldiers' families during the year, as provided by law; and the treasurer was authorized to borrow money for that purpose.

1864. March 7. — Forty thousand dollars were appropriated for the payment of State aid. June 9 the bounty to persons enlisting for three years was fixed at one hundred and twenty-five dollars, and twelve thousand dollars were appropriated to pay the same. Provision was also made to give the returning soldiers belonging to the town a public reception by the citizens. Several other meetings were held during the year to encourage recruiting, and to pay bounties.

1865. March 6. — The selectmen were directed to continue recruiting, to pay bounties, and to furnish State aid to the families of volunteers. Money was appropriated for these purposes.

Milford furnished 1,142 men for the war, which was a surplus of 132 over and above all demands. [Mr. Schouler adds, in a note, "Milford claims to have furnished 1,205 men for the war, all of whom were inhabitants of the town. This would make the surplus 195 "] Thirty-five were commissioned officers. The whole amount of money appropriated and expended by the Town on account of the war, exclusive of State aid, was sixty-two thousand six hundred dollars ($62,600). $14,832 were contributed by private subscription. Total amount, $77,432.

The amount of money paid by the Town during the war for State aid to soldiers' families, and repaid by the Commonwealth, was as follows: In 1861, $6,419.86; in 1862, $20,500; in 1863, $22,715 76; in 1864, $28,000; in 1865, $18,500. Total amount, $96,135 62.

[Meanwhile] the ladies of Milford devoted much time and labor to provide comfortable underclothing and sanitary stores for the soldiers all through the war, among which were 98 hospital-gowns, 257 pillow-cases, 240 sheets, 77 pairs slippers, 222 pairs drawers, 885 rolls bandages, 448 shirts, 227 pairs woollen hose, 595 towels, 189 woollen undershirts, 447 handkerchiefs, 24

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"boxes of delicacies," 225 napkins, 65 pillows for wounded limbs, etc. (Vol. ii., pp. 648-651.)

It ought to be added here that a brilliant juvenile company was organized in the autumn of 1861. It numbered from sixty to seventy-five patriotic lads, between the ages of fifteen and eighteen years. It was fully officered, handsomely uniformed, thoroughly armed with light guns, and well drilled. Its first and principal captain was W. J. Mann, a son of our well-known Capt. Elbridge Mann. This company exhibited an interesting outgrowth of the war, and performed escort duty on various occasions, in and out of town, during the absence of their seniors in active service.

Gen. Adin B. Underwood's services, sufferings, and reputation, as a hero, in this terrible war, are justly claimed, at least in a secondary sense, as an important item to the credit of this his native town, although he entered the army from Newton, as a captain in the Second Massachusetts Regiment, under Col. Gordon. I will here present brief extracts from Headley's "Massachusetts in the Rebellion," reserving a more comprehensive notice for the biographical sketch to be given in Part II. of this work, the Genealogical Register of our families.

"The day after Fort Sumter was fired upon, he turned the key in his office-door, and never entered it again for a client." "Capt. Underwood raised a company in Boston, which with three other companies . . . was mustered into service, May 18, 1861, for three years, . . . from which service Capt. Underwood was not discharged until as brevet major-general, Sept. 1, 1865, to accept a position in the civil service of the government, . . . as surveyor of customs at the port of Boston." Referring to the memorable exploit at Lookout Mountain, near Chattanooga, Tenn., Headley's Record says, "This re-enforcement from the East found the army about Chattanooga starving. The rebels held Lookout Mountain, and its approaches on the south side of the Tennessee River, including the railroad. The line of communication on the north side of the river was circuitous, the roads in a terrible state from mud and other causes, and the army was on one-quarter rations. The mules and horses were dying from starvation, and a retreat would have left behind the artillery; for there were no horses to draw it away. One of the first orders of Gen. Grant, on being assigned to the command, was to Gen. Hooker to carry the enemy's position on the south side of the river, and open the railroad and lines of communication there.

"On the morning of the 27th October, 1863, the Eleventh Corps, and Gerry's division of the Twelfth, started on the enterprise, and, the first day, marched unmolested through the valley of the Raccoon Range; the second day approaching Lookout, from whose bald, overhanging summit the rebels could watch and count even the line of Yankees, threading their way along

the defiles." "At midnight the camps were aroused by the long roll; and, before an hour was over, the slumbering army at Chattanooga heard such a rattling of musketry as those hills had never echoed before. The enemy, under cover of the night, had advanced upon a little chain of hills at the foot of the mountain, and intrenched themselves. It was necessary instantly to dislodge them, or the movement had failed. While Gen. Gerry was fighting at his end of the line, two small regiments were directed to storm the rebel position on the left, and did one of the most gallant things of the war."

"Col. Underwood started up the hill with but seven companies; three having been sent on a secret expedition the evening before. The hill was very steep, covered with woods and underbrush, and almost inaccessible. The night was dark; but this little band of Massachusetts men, almost alone, carried the rebel intrenchments, after two assaults with fixed bayonets, fighting some of the time hand-to-hand, and, before the supports were called into the fight, drove a brigade of Longstreet's men, their old foes in the East, from the hill. It met a fearful loss. Wrote the correspondent of 'The Cincinnati Times:' 'The brave Col. Underwood, of the Thirty-third Massachusetts Regiment, was also wounded. This officer passed through some of the hardest fights on the Potomac, to meet this hard fate on the banks of the Tennessee in a midnight fight.' Gen. Hooker in his official report said, 'Col. Underwood, of the Thirty-third Massachusetts Volunteers, was also desperately wounded; and for his recovery I am deeply concerned. If only for his meritorious services on this field, his many martial virtues, and great personal worth, it would be a great satisfaction to me to have this officer advanced to the grade of brigadier-general.'

"In accordance with this recommendation, he was soon made a brigadier-general. But his career in the field was ended. He was carried to Nashville, and afterwards home, where he underwent a long and tedious illness of a year and a half, six months of it continuously in bed, before he recovered sufficiently from the effects of the terrible wound to go upon court-martial duty at Washington in the summer of 1865, though then with impaired constitution, and permanently disabled. He was made president of a court-martial, and was at length assigned to the trial of Wirtz, but, before the trial began, was appointed surveyor of customs at Boston." — HEADLEY (chap. xviii., between pp. 357 and 363).

Doubtless, if I could command particulars of performance and experience in the cases of all our soldiers during their several campaigns, I could present on these pages many thrilling sketches of personal gallantry, achievement, and suffering, alike creditable to the individuals and the town; but I must, at least, mention the names of officers, ranking from 2d lieutenant and upward, the estimated number that lost their lives for their country, and a few kindred facts.

OFFICERS.

Ahern, John, Reg. 28, Co. K, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Barker, James H., Reg. 36, Major.
Britton, Isaac, Reg. 28, Capt.
Buffington, Charles E., Reg. 25, Co. B, Sergt., 2d Lieut.
Burke, Timothy, Reg. 9, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Burke, William R., Reg. 9, Co. H, Sergt., Sergt.-Major, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Carter, John G. Mc., Reg. 25, Co. B, 1st Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Chamberlain, George N., Reg. 40, N.Y., Corpl., Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Chipman, James L., Reg. 39, Assist. Surgeon.
Clair, James P. (or Clere), Reg. 19, Drum Major, 2d Lieut.
Clark, Willard, Reg. 25, Capt.
Clark, Dixwell, H., Co. 19, unattached, 100 ds., 2d Lieut.
Clark, Elisha P., Reg. 31, Assist. Surgeon.
Cook, Albert W., Reg. 57, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt., etc.
Cooley, John J., Reg. 28, Co. K, 1st Lieut., Capt.
Draper, William F., Regts. 25 and 36, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt., Major, Lieut -Col., Brev. Brig.-Gen.
Emery, William, Reg. 25, Co. B, 1st Lieut., Capt.
Finnerty, Michael A., Reg. 9, Co. H, Sergt., Sergt.-Major, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Fletcher, Emmons F., Reg. 40, N.Y., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt., Major.
Gifford, Thomas J., Co. 19, unattached, 1 y., 1st Lieut.
Hancock, Joseph, Reg. 36, Co. F, 1st Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Hayward, Henry J., Co. 19 unattached, 2d Lieut.
Holland, William, Reg. 28, Co. K, Sergt., Sergt.-Major, 2d Lieut.
Holmes, Otis W., Regts. 25 and 36, Sergt., 1st Sergt., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Hoyt, Dixi, Reg. 2, Heavy Artillery, Assist. Surgeon (d. Nov. 1, 1864).
Hoyt, Alpheus E., Reg. 25, Assist. Surgeon, prom. Surgeon Oct. 21, 1864.
Johnson, Francis, Co. 19, unattached, 1 y., Capt.
Johnson, William H. H., Reg. 40, N.Y., Corpl., Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Keene, Augustus W., Reg. 40, N.Y., Corpl., Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt., Major.
Legg, Edwin, Reg. 2, H. Artillery, 2d Lieut., Co. E.
Leland, Francis, Reg. 2, Infty., Surgeon.
Lindsey, P. Allen, Reg. 40, N.Y., Capt., Major, Lieut.-Col.
Marshall, Edward M., Reg. 40, N.Y., Corpl., Qr.-Mr. Sergt., 1st Lieut., Qr.-Mr.
Mason, James M., Reg. 16, Infty., Capt., Co. B; also Capt., Co. 19, unattached.
Matthews, Albert E., Batt. 1, Frontier Cavalry, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Murphy, Patrick E., Reg. 9, Qr.-Mr., Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Nolan, Patrick, Reg. 28, Co. K, wagoner, 1st Lieut., Capt.
O'Neil, Jeremiah, Reg. 9, Co. K, Capt.
Peard, Robert, Reg. 9, Major, Lieut.-Col.

Perkins, Stephen G., Reg. 2, Infty., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Pond, Bernard H., Reg. 40, N.Y., Qr.-Mr. Sergt., 1st R., Qr.-Mr.
Reade, John, Reg. 48, 9 mo., 1st Lieut.; also Reg. 57, Co. A, 1st Lieut.
Roche, Thomas K., Reg. 9, 1st Lieut., Capt.
Scammell, William H., Reg. 40, N.Y., Qr.-Mr. Sergt., Qr.-Mr., 1st Lieut.
Shea, Dennis, Reg. 20, Co. F, 1st Sergt., 1st Lieut., Capt.
Spencer, Daniel E., Reg. 2, H. Artillery, 1st Sergt., 2d Lieut.
Sullivan, John, Reg. 28, Co. K, Sergt., 2d Lieut.
Sweet, Edwin J., Reg. 40, N.Y., Co. G, Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Tuttle, Augustus S., Reg. 36, Co. F, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., etc.
Walcott, Alfred W., Reg. 40, N.Y., Co. G, 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut.
Walcott, Harrison T., Reg. 40, N.Y., Co. G, Sergt., 2d Lieut., 1st Lieut., Capt.

Here are fifty-one officers all claimed to the credit of our town. though circumstances threw a part into the 40th Reg. of N.Y.

The number of our soldiers and officers killed during the war was .	50.
The number discharged on account of disability	180.
Died of wounds and disease	76.
A total loss of	306.

Grand Army of the Republic, Majr. E. F. Fletcher Post 22, was organized in October, 1867, to commemorate the military achievements and services of our soldiers in the war that preserved the National Union, to foster the spirit of martial patriotism, and to promote social sympathy among the survivors of that tremendous conflict. Its officers, elected annually in January, are a commander, senior vice-commander, junior vice-commander, adjutant, quartermaster, surgeon, and chaplain. It holds weekly meetings; takes charge of demonstrations on Decoration Day; looks after the welfare of poor comrades, their widows and orphans; and does itself honor in the laudable discharge of numerous duties appropriate to its own peculiar sphere. The Town has generally, if not uniformly, made an annual appropriation of not less than a hundred dollars towards the expenses on Decoration Day, which takes place about the end of May.

Since the termination of the great civil war, Milford has had two regular volunteer companies. The first of these was organized Sept. 2, 1866, and known as "The Mayhew Guards." It was designated as "Company F," and belonged to the "10th Regt. Mass. Volunteer Militia." It continued in existence ten or eleven years. It had a succession of five captains: viz., Willard Clark, who rose to be Lieut.-Col.; John G. McCarter; Charles E. Belcher; Henry J. Bailey; and Henry E. Fales. The second co., and most recent, was organ-

ized Jan. 3, 1879. It is designated as "Company M, 6th Regt., Mass. Vol. Militia." Officers elect, Capt. Henry J. Bailey; 1st Lieut., Geo. P. Cooke; 2d Lieut., Jesse A. Taft. I will draw to a close by adding that our town has always yielded a respectable supply of martial music, having from early times raised its full share of geniuses in this line, and a goodly succession of excellent bands.

After this chapter had been quite completed, I consulted several citizens on the propriety of inserting some memorial of the common soldiers who served the town during the great conflict in behalf of the Union. It seemed to be the unanimous opinion that I should give general satisfaction by presenting at least a catalogue of their names. But when I came to examine our town-clerk's War Record, containing many particulars and memoranda of interest to numerous parties concerned, I did not see how I could meet public expectation without copying the substance of the entire volume. This must needs occupy more space than I wished, but, with allowable abridgment and abbreviation, not more than might be deemed excusable. The result is a very long additional chapter on "The Annals of Warlike and Military Service." This has cost me some wearing labor, but will, I trust, bring me more approval than censure. I have entitled this additional chapter, "*War Record of the Rebellion.*"

CHAPTER VIII.

WAR RECORD OF THE REBELLION.

Memoranda of Soldiers and Officers furnished by Milford to the Union Armies for suppressing the Great Secession Rebellion; abridged from the Town-Clerk's originally compiled Record.

ABBREVIATIONS: *b.* for born; *s.* for son; *en.* for enlist, enlisted, and enlistment; *m.* for mustered; *y.* for year and years; *mo.* for months; *ds.* for days; *R.* for Regiment; *Batt.* for Battalion and Battery; *Co.* for Company; *ft.* for fought; *wd.* for wounded, wound, etc.; *k.* for killed; *d.* for died; *dis.* for discharged; *ser.* for served, service, etc.; *exp.* for expiration; *pri.* for private; *prom.* for promoted; and numerous others in common use, or easily apprehended. It will be understood that every man enlisted or drafted either belonged to Milford or was claimed to its credit, unless the contrary is specified.

ADAMS, CHARLES O.: b. Vassalboro', Me., Jan. 2, 1835; s. Otis C. and Eleanor; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F., wagoner; ft. at Fredericksburg, Va., '62, and at Jackson, Miss., '63; dis. Oct. 21, '63, at Boston, on surgn's cert. of disability.

ADAMS, ORRICK H.: b. —— Me., May 25, 1837; s. Otis and Eleanor; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; dis. June 8, '65, at exp. ser.

ADAMS, GEORGE S.: b. June 16, 1833, Newport, N.H.; s. Jeremiah and Lucy; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. in battle at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsborough, Old Town, Drury's Bluff, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, etc.; never wd.; m. out Oct. 20, '64, in Worcester, at exp. ser.

ADAMS, ASA F.: b. Readfield, Me., Mar. 21, 1816; s. Eli and Roxa; expressman; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, Co. G, New York, pri.; dis. for disability by order Gen. Stoneman at Falmouth, Va., Jan. 31, '63; d. '68.

ADAMS, WILLIAM P.: b. Medway, Mass., 1828; s. of ——; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, Co. G, N. Y., pri.; d. July 18, '62, of congestive chills, at Harrison's Landing.

ADAMS, ASA ROSCOE: b. Bradford, Me., Sept. 7, 1843; s. Asa F. and Jane E.; printer; en. June 14, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 5, Co. D, Excelsior Brigade, N. Y., pri.; taken prisoner Williamsburg, May, 5, '62; paroled, and dis. by War Department May 23, '62, being a paroled prisoner. Entered naval ser. Oct., '62, as landsman on board steamship "Huron," and continued in that ser. till '66.

ADAMS, JOHN Q.: b. Newport, N.H., 1836; s. Josiah and Lucy; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; d. of diphtheria at Alexandria, Va., Nov. 22, '61; interred Vernon Grove Cem., Milford, Mass.

ADAMS, HORACE: b. Medway, Mass. Dec. 12, 1845; s. John, jun., and Eliza; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. Nov. 25; 1 y. R. ——, Co. 19, pri.; dis. June 22, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

ADAMS, GEORGE W.: b. 1835; no parentage given, nor occupation; en. and m. July 14, '64; 100 ds. R. 42, Co. C, pri.; dis. Nov. 11, '64, at exp. of ser.

ADAMS, HIRAM R.: b. 1845; parentage, etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 31, '64; cavalry, 3 y. R. 3, Co. L, pri.; dis. Sept. 28, '65, close of war.

AHERN, JOHN: b. Ireland, 1833; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 8, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, 2d lieut.; prom. to be 1st lieut. Dec. 3, '61; dis. Sept. 23, '62.

ALBEE, ALBERT: b. Milford, Mass., Jan. 27, 1843; s. Clark and Vianna; farmer; en. and m. Sept. 13, '62; 9 mo. R. 42, Co. B, pri.; dis. Aug. 20, '63.

ALBEE, SETH: b. Mil., Mass., Apl. 10, 1839; s. Clark and Vianna; occupation not given; en. and m. July 22, '64; 100 ds. R. 42, Co. E, pri.; dis. exp. ser. Nov. 11, '64.

ALDEN, GEORGE N.: b. 1845; place, etc., not given, nor parentage, nor occupation; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. R. 19, unattached Co., pri.; date of dis. not given.

ALDRICH, HENRY K.: b. Cumberland, R.I., Feb. 12, 1837; s. Dutee T. and Lucinda; carpenter; en. Aug. 5, '62, m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Fredericksburg, Va., Jackson, Miss., siege Petersburg, Va., and at Poplar Grove Church, where wd. in right ankle; dis. July 10, '65, Dale Gen. Hospital, Worcester, Mass.

ALDRICH, AARON: b. Smithfield, R.I., Oct. 23, 1827; s. Alvah and Keziah; bootmaker; en. Oct. 2, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, and Goldsboro', N.C.; dis. Jan. 19, '64, at Newport News, Va.; re-en. next day in same R. and Co.; dis. exp. ser. July 13, '65.

ALDRICH, WILLIAM H.: b. Leicester, Mass., Sept. 26, 1844; s. Dutee and Lucinda; student; en. and m. Oct. 8, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. I, pri.; ft. at Newbern, N.C., Petersburg, Va., May, '64, and at Drury's Bluff, 16th same month, where wd. in shoulder; dis. Oct. 20, '64, Worcester.

ALLEN, FRANK E.: b. Augusta, Me., Apl. 20, 1845; s. Ephraim J. and Zepha; bootmaker; en. Aug. 18, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Sept. 21, '63, disability.

ALLEN, MOWRY A.: b. Mil., Mass., Apl. 4, 1846; s. Elijah M. and Mary A.; bootmaker; en. and m. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. R. 19, unattached Co., pri.; date of dis. not given.

ANGELL, CHARLES R.: b. 1841; s. Alfred and Betsey; laborer; en. and m. Jan. 1, '62; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Feb. '62, disability.

ANSON, EZEKIEL W.: b. Uxbridge, Mass., 1836; s. Manning W. and Susan A.; machinist; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Louisville, Ky., Aug. 24, '63, of malarious fever.

ARMSTRONG, WILLIAM H.: b. 1828; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. June 9, '61, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. G, wagoner; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

ARMSTRONG, JAMES A.: b. Roxbury, Mass., Oct. 30, 1846; s. James and Fannie; lastmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; R. not given, unattached Co., pri.; dis. at Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

ARNOLD, CHARLES A.: b. Smithfield, R.I., Apl. 15, 1843; s. Micajah C. and Abigail; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. at Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Seven Days, and siege of Yorktown, Va.; taken prisoner, and confined in Richmond 4 or 5 weeks; m. out July 2, '64, exp. ser.

AYLWOOD, RICHARD: b. in Ireland, 1834; parentage not given; shoemaker;

en. Aug. 4, '62, and m. 5; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, cavalry recruit, corpl.; ft. at Fredericksburg, Va., Brandy Station, Aldie, June 17, '63, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Rapidan, Culpepper, Mine Run, Wilderness in raid to Va., May, '64, Hall's Shop, May 27, St. Mary's Ch., June 24, Malvern Hill, Weldon Railroad, etc.; dis. at Boston, Nov. 7, '64, exp. ser.

BAEL, LAWRENCE: b. 1835; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 7, '61; 3 y. R. 19, no co. named; recruit; nothing further given.

BAGLEY, ANDREW: b. Brookfield, Vt.; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. 2d time Dec. 1, '63; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. in Va. at Port Walthal, Arrowfield Ch., Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor; dis. July 20, 1865, Worcester, Mass.

BAILEY, HENRY J.: b. Aston, Eng., Dec. 26, 1845; s. Geo. W. and Harriet; student; en. 1st time for Cambridge, Sept. 17, '62, and m. Oct. 7; 9 mo. R. 45, Co. I, pri.; ft. at Kinston, Whitehall, and Goldsboro'; m. out at Readville, Mass., July 7, '63. En. and m. for Milford, Dec. 9, '63; 3 y. Batt. 1 Heavy Artillery, Co. A, pri.; stationed in our coast forts during his term of service; and dis. from Fort Warren, Oct. 20, '65, by order of War Department, close of the war.

BAKER, ISAAC D.: b. South Yarmouth, Mass., June 3, 1843; s. Davis and Mary J.; painter; en. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y., unattached Co. 19, pri.; this his 3d enlistment during the war; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

BALCOME, EDWIN: b. Douglas, Mass., Aug. 20, 1826; s. Saml. and Submit; carpenter; en. Sept. 12, 1861; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; detailed to hospital ser. Dec. 25, '61; dis. at Worcester, Feb. 24, '64, to re-enlist; re-en. the next day, and m. in for 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, as hospital steward; dis. July 13, '65, close of war.

BALL, ELI G.: b. Bennington, Vt., 1842; s. ——; machinist; en. first time Sept. 9, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Kinston, Whitehall, Deep Gully, and Green Swamp; dis. Jan. 18, '64, at Newport News, Va.; en. 2d time and m. in same day, same Co. and R., 3 y., pri.; ft. at Arrowfield Ch., Port Walthal, Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor, in which last battle he was wd., missed, never seen more, and undoubtedly killed.

BALLOU, HERBERT: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 28, 1847; s. Cyrus and Laura; straw-worker; en. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached infantry, pri.; stationed at Forts Warren and Winthrop; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

BANKS, ADONIRAM H.: b. 1833; nothing further given; en. and m. Aug. 9,'64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached infty., sergt.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BARBER, JOHN P.: b. Mil., Mass., May 27, 1816; s. James and Nancy; bootmaker; en. Nov. 10, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Plymouth, N.C., made prisoner there, taken to Andersonville 6 mo., thence to Charleston, S.C., a week, and thence to Florence, S.C., where d. Sept., '64, of starvation.

BARBER, JOHN WALDO: b. Franklin, Mass., Nov. 20, 1842; s. John P. and Rhoda P.; bootmaker; en. and m. June 26, '61; 3 y. R. 12, Co. C, 5th sergt.; d. Warrenton, Va., July 17, '62, from an injury recd. when bathing.

BARKER, JAMES H.: b. Westmoreland, N.H.; s. Benjamin and Abigail; boot-manufacturer; en. and m. Sept. 2, '62; 3 y. R. 36, major; ft. at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 11, '62; resigned Jan. 29, '63.

BARNARD, CHARLES F.: b. Berlin, Mass., Oct. 27, 1838; s. Oliver H. and Mary G.; carpenter; en. Oct. 1, '61, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp; was detailed June 26, '63, as carpenter in the Ordnance Dept., and dis. at Beaufort, N.C., Oct. 31, '65, exp. ser.

BARRETT, JOHN: b. in Galway Co., Ireland, June 31, 1827; s. Andrew and Mary; currier; en. and m. March 22, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; nothing further given.

BARRETT, JOHN: b. Roscommon Co., Ireland, 1839; s. Patrick and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. March 31, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; transferred to Veteran Reserve Corps, Sept. 13, '64.

BASSETT, OSCAR H.: b. Greenbush, N.Y., Oct. 9, 1839; s. Nathaniel B. and Caroline; bootmaker; en. and m. May 21, '61; 3 y. R. 29, Co. A, pri.; dis. to re-enlist Jan. 1, '64; re-en. the next day; 3 y. in same Co. and R.; dis. July 29, '65, exp. ser.

BATES, IRA D.: b. Uxbridge, Mass., Dec. 25, 1843; s. Peter and Mary; bootmaker; en. 1st, Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 7, 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, musician; was in all the battles with his R., and dis. at Newport News, Dec. 17, '64, to re-en., which he did in same R. and Co. the next day; was prom. to be drum-major May 1, '64, and was in all the battles with his R.; dis. July 13, '65, at exp. ser.

BATES, HENRY: b. 1838; clerk, no further particulars given; en. July 16, '61; 3 y. R. 13, Co. B, corpl.; dis. Aug. 1, '64, exp. ser.

BATCHELDER, GEORGE W.: b. Quincy, Mass., Sept. 16, 1842; s. James and Harriet; stonecutter; en. Sept. 5, '61, m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; transferred to regular army Mar. 8, '63; went into signal corps in N. Carolina, and made sergt. therein; ft. at Roanoke Island, Whitehall, Kinston, Goldsboro', and Newbern; dis. Sept. 11, '65, Newbern, N.C., close of war.

BATCHELDER, LAWRENCE E.: b. Quincy, Mass., May 29, 1844; s. James and Harriet; stonecutter; en. Sept. 5, '61, m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; dis. Worcester, Mass., Oct. 20, 1864, exp. ser.

BATCHELDER, JACOB LINDSEY: b. Quincy, Mass., Oct. 29, 1845; s. James and Harriet; farmer; en. 1st, Aug. 5, '62, m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, musician; dis. Apl. 3, '63, disability. En. 2d. time Mar. 9, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

BATTLES, FRANK: b. Billerica, Mass., 1847; s. Edwin F. and Josephine; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 d., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BATTLES, EDWIN M.: b. Billerica, Mass., 1845; s. Edwin F. and Josephine; en. Mar. 30, '64, as hospital steward; dis. not given.

BAXTER, BARNEY, *alias* BARNARD: b. Ireland, 1831; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 20, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; wounded Sept. 1, '62; dis. Feb. 27, '63, disability.

BEATTEY (or Berty), RICHARD H. D.: b. 1819, parentage not given; tailor; en. and m. July 26, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. D, pri.; transferred to Vet. Reserve Sept. 26, '63.

BEATTEY, JOHN: b. Ireland, 1820; s. Christopher and Ann; bootmaker; en. Aug. 29, '64, m. 30; R. 2, Heavy Artillery, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Kinston, N.C.; transferred to 17th Infantry, Co. G, Jan. 17, '65, at Plymouth, N.C.: dis. at Greensboro', N.C., June 30, '65, close of war.

BEAUDETTE, DAVID: b. Montreal, Can., 1841; s. Alexander and Maria; bootmaker; en. Dec. 2, '63, m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 26, '65, from Co. H, exp. ser.

BEAUME, ANTHONY: b. 1827; parentage, etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 5, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, Heavy Artillery, pri.; transferred to 17th Infty., Co. D, Jan. 9, '65; dis. June 30, '65, close of war.

BELCHER, PARION C. H.: b. Randolph, Mass., June 18, 1840; s. John and Cordelia; bootmaker; en. 1st time, Sept. 5, '61, m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, sergt.; prom. sergt. Oct. 16, '61, and to be 1st sergt. Jan. 9, '64; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp, not wd.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, at Newport News, Va.; re-en. in same R. and Co., same day, Jan. 18, '64, for 3 y. sergt.; ft. in two battles, — Valley Farm and Arrow Creek Church, at Drury's Bluff and Cold Harbor; taken prisoner to Richmond, June 3, '64, then to Andersonville, Savannah, etc.; paroled Nov. 26, '64; exchanged Mar. 25, '65; and dis. June 9, '65, by an order relating to those who had suffered in rebel prisons.

BELCHER, CHARLES E.: b. Randolph, Mass., June 3, 1843; s. John and Cordelia; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 d. R. 19, unattached Co., corpl.; stationed Fort Warren, Boston; dis. exp. ser.

BELL, FRANK N.: b. Concord, Vt., Jan. 3, 1847; s. Noah S. and Mary H.; farmer; en. Aug. 6, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; prom. corpl. '64: mustered out with R. near Alexandria, Va., June 8, '65, close of war.

BELL, JOHN: b. Ireland, May 12, 1845; s. Joseph and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; k. Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62.

BELL, GEO. EDWARD: b. Concord, Vt., Aug. 3, 1845; s. Noah S. and Mary H.; bootmaker; en. Mar. 14, '64, m. Mar. 24; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; transferred to R. 56, Co. B, June 8, '65, when the 36th was m. out; prom. corpl.; dis. July 12, '65, exp. ser.

BELLOWS, ANDREW J.: b. Blackstone, Mass., Nov. 12, 1843; s. Thayer and Sarah; farmer; en. Nov. 19, '64, m. 25; 1 y., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; he had previously served in R. 15, Co. B, from the town Blackstone; finally dis. in Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

BENNETT, BENJAMIN K.: b. Smithfield, R.I., 1830; s. Benj. and Eliza; bootmaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, no Co. named, pri.; transferred Oct. 26, '64, to R. 32 Infty., Co. M; dis. June 9, '65, close of war.

BENNETT, EUGENE G.: b. Webster, Mass., Mar. 1, 1844; s. Artemas and Mary S.; farmer; en. Dec. 7, '63, m. Dec. 10; 3 y. R. 2, Co. I, pri.; d. in Milford of chronic diarrhœa, Mar. 25, '65.

BENNETT, WILLIAM H.: b. 1843, parentage, etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 17, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, Heavy Artillery, pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

BERGIN, LUKE: b. Ireland, 1818, no parentage given; weaver; en. and m. 1st time, Sept. 25, '62; 9 mo. R. 51, Co. A, pri.; m. out with R. July 27, '63. Re-en. Nov. 19, '63; 3 y. R. 25, Co. G, pri.; d. at Andersonville, Ga., Aug. 28, '64.

BERGIN, STEPHEN: b. Ireland, 1819, parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '61; 3 y. R. 19, a recruit.

BERRY, JOSEPH: b. Montreal, Can., 1842; s. Nelson and Mary; laborer; en. and m. Dec. 15, '63; 3 y. R. 1, Co. B, pri.; dis. Aug. 16, '65, exp. ser.

BILLINGS, WILLIAM F.: b. Blackstone, Mass., Mar. 8, 1848; s. Wm. L. and Eunice E.; teamster; en. Nov. 19, '64, m. 25; 1 y. R. 19, unattached Co., infty., pri.; stationed at Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

BIRCH, WILLIAM: b. England, 1821, parentage not given; tailor; en. and m. first time, Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. R. 19, unattached Co., pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.; re-en. Feb. 12, '65, 1st Batt. H. Artillery, Co. C, pri.; dis. June 24, '65, close of war.

BIRCH, WM. HENRY: b. Mil., Mass., 1847; s. Wm. and Mary Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. 1st, Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser. Re-en. Feb. 12, '65; 3 y. H. Artillery, 1st Batt., Co. C, pri.; dis. June 24, '65, close of war.

BIRMINGHAM, PATRICK: b. Ireland, Co. Galway, Dec. 20, 1836; s. Patrick and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Dec. 30, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, close of war.

BISHOP, HENRY L.: b. 1834, no parentage, etc., given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 days, Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BIXBY, MONTGOMERY: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Oct. 2, 1837; s. Joel and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. July 14, '63, and m. 28; 3 y. H. Artillery, R. 2, Co. A, pri.; ft. at Kinston, N.C.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, at Smithville, N.C., close of war.

BIXBY, MONTCALM: b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1830; s. Joel and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. 1st, Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, exp. ser. Re-en. Feb. 11, '65, Batt. H. Artillery, an unassigned recruit; dis. June 14, '65, close of war.

BIXBY, WARREN: b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1841; s. Joel and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BLAKE, GEORGE H.: b. 1838; place and parentage not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, 64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BLISS, JOHN G.: b. 1837; place and parentage not given; mason; en. Aug. 5, '62; m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F., pri.; d. July 23, '63, at Milldale, Miss.

BLOOD, LUCIUS: b. Weathersfield, Vt., Oct. 14, 1832; s. Shattuck and Fidelia; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61; m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G., 1st corpl.; prom. to sergt. Jan. 5, '62; ft. at Yorktown, Williamsburg (where wd. bullet, left shoulder), Gettysburg, Wapping Heights, Kelley's Ford, Mine Run, Wilderness, Po River, Spottsylvania, Mattipan River, North Anna River, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Weldon R. R.; and m. out at the last-named place, June 27, '64, exp. ser.

BLUNT, PATRICK: b. Ireland, 1836; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt.; ft. at Yorktown, Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, Gaines's Mills, Chickahominy, Glendale, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, Ranneysville, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wapping Heights, Bristow Station, Rappahannock, Mine Run, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Spottsylvania, North Anna, Cold Harbor, etc.; dis. Boston, Mass., June 15, '64, exp. ser.

BODERE, PATRICK: b. 1842; place and parentage not given; farmer; en. July 25, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; nothing more given.

BONIFACE, JEAN: b. 1823; en. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.; nothing else given.

BOYLE, PATRICK: b. Ireland, Co. Galway, Nov., 1845; s. Luke and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Dec. 9, '63; m. Jan. 1, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, pri.; transferred to a new organization at the m. out of Co. B; dis. July 13, '65, from Co. C, R. 25.

BOYLE, BERNARD: b. Ireland, Co. Galway, 1843; s. Luke and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. 11, '64, recruit; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; transferred to a new organization at the m. out of Co. B, Newbern, N.C.; no further traceable.

BRADBURY, WILLIAM H. H.: b. Newburyport, Mass., 1840; s. Ebenezer and Mary; wheelwright; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; sent to Insane Asylum, Washington, D.C.; dis., date not given, disability.

BRADFORD, CHARLES W.: b. 1845; place, etc., not given; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64; exp. ser.

BRADLEY, PATRICK: b. Boston, Mass., 1837; s. Wm. and Mary; bootmaker; en. July 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. Dec. 2, '62; disability. Re-en. Nov. 6, '63, and m. Dec. 9, following; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; ft. Plymouth, N.C. taken prisoner to Andersonville, Ga., to Mellen, Ala., to Savannah, Ga.; exchanged in about 7 mos., and dis. June 26, '65, disability.

BRADLEY, JOHN: b. Ireland, Co. Donegal, Dec. 25, 1823; s. George and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Jan. 4, '64, m. 11; 3 y. R. 57, Co. B, pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna, Cold Harbor, front Petersburg, Va.; wd. Spottsylvania by a rifle-ball in right hip, also in front Petersburg by ball in right side and chest; dis. May 27, '64, Readville, Mass., with R.; but was previously reported unfit for ser.

BRADLEY, PETER: b. Ireland, 1837; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted Feb. 22, '63.

BRANNAN, DELANO W.: b. 1821; nothing given of parentage, etc.; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64, in H. Artillery, 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, pri.; dis. June 17, '65, at Fort Richardson, Va.; exp. ser.

BRAYTON, CHARLES F.: b. 1843; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, sergt.; dis. June 27, '65; exp. ser.; nothing else told.

BRIGGS, CHARLES H. (previously ser. for New Bedford): b. New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 13, 1844; s. Alfred and Elvira; mechanic; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. Nov. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, 1st sergt.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

BRIGDALE, JAMES: b. Ireland, Co. Clare, Dec. 25, 1819; s. John and Judith; bootmaker; en. 1st time Oct. 14, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis., Washington, D.C., Apl. 20, '63, disability; having ft. at Fort Pulaski, James Island, Bull Run, Chantilly, Antietam, and Fredericksburg. En. again Dec. 2, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; but rejected as a recruit June 29, '64.

BRIGDALE, PATRICK: b. Ireland, 1831; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; deserted Jan. 13, '63.

BRIGHAM, ALFRED M.: b. 1829; place and parentage not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 39, Co. I, pri.; nothing further recorded.

BRITTON, ISAAC: b. Littleton; date, parentage, etc., not given; R.R. conductor; en. Oct. 8, '61; R. 28, capt.; resigned Dec. 8, '61.

BROCK, PETER: b. Ireland, Co. Roscommon, 1842; s. Peter and Nabby G.; bootmaker; en. Sept. 26, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 2 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, S.C., 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, So. Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg; wd. last place, ball in left shoulder; and dis. hospital, Boston, Apl. 21, '64, on acct. of wd.

BRODERICK, WILLIAM: b. Ireland, 1843; s. Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

BROGAN, DENNIS: b. 1843; place and parentage not given; bootmaker; en. 1st time, July 25, '61, and m. next day; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day in same R. and Co.; but deserted from Co. C, Apl. 13, '64.

BROOKS, HENRY D.: b. Stow, 1837; s. Luke and Lucy; musician; en. Oct. 2, '61, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 26, band musician; dis. Sept. 15, '62, order War Dept.

BROWN, GEORGE A.: b. Smithfield, R.I., Nov. 27, 1823; s. Henry and Sally; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, sergt.; ft. in every engagement with his R.; never wd. or sick in ser.; prom. to orderly sergt. Sept. 1, '64; and m. out, near Alexandria, Va., June 8, '65, close of war.

BROWN, THOMAS F.: b. Smithfield, R.I., Apl. 13, 1843; s. Otis and Sarah; first ser. in rebel army, from which he seceded; en. and m. in Union ser, Mil., Jan. 29, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B.; nothing further told of him.

BROWN, LEVI: b. 1823; place and parentage not given; carpenter; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, Co. H, pri.; m. out with his R. June 27, '64.

BROWN, GEORGE G. M.: b. Quincy, Mass., Feb. 17, 1826; s. Timothy and Mary; bootmaker; en. 1st time Aug. 19, '62, and m. 23; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; made brigade teamster; dis. Dec. 31, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day in same R., Co. C, pri.; dis. near Alexandria, Va., June 30, '65, close of war; but d. of chronic diarrhœa,, Milford, Oct. 25, '65; disease contracted in ser.

BROWN, DEXTER F.: b. Milford, Mass., Oct. 1, 1828; s. Abel and Polly; bootmaker; en. Aug. 16, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. C, pri.; ft. at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 14, '62; dis. Washington, D.C., Feb. 11, '63, surgeon's cert., disability from chronic diarrhœa.

BRUCE, SANFORD: b. South Royalston, 1839; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. Jan. 1, '64; taken prisoner, battle Fredericksburg, Va.; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser.

BULLARD, EDWARD D.: b. 1844; place, parentage, etc., not given; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

BUFFINGTON, CHARLES E.: b. Pawtucket, R.I., 1840; s. Mary A.; bootmaker: en. 1st time Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, corpl.; prom. sergt. July 1, '63; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, and Goldsboro', N.C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, to re-en. at Newport News, Va.; which he immediately did in same R. and Co.; prom. 2d lieut. May 17, '65; dis. July, 1865, exp. ser.

BUFFINGTON, AMASA F.: b. Attleboro', Mass., May 29, 1845; s. David A. and Elizabeth; teamster; en. Dec. 8, '63, and m. 10; 3 y. Batt. 1, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. Oct. 20, '65, Fort Warren, Mass.

BURKE, SAMUEL H.: b. Grafton, Mass., Feb. 27, 1845; s. Houston and Caroline; bootmaker; en. Dec. 8, and m. 10; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. C, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. on acct. disability, Aug. 14, '64.

BURKE, TIMOTHY: b. Ireland, 1836; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, 2d lieut.; prom. 1st lieut., Jan. 5, '62; prom. capt. Aug. 27, '62; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

BURKE, WILLIAM R.: b. Ireland, 1841; place and parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt; prom. sergt. maj. Sept. 26, '62, to 2d lieut. Jan. 8, '63, to 1st lieut. Aug. 4, '63; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

BURKE, DAVID: b. Ireland, Co. Mayo, Mar. 10, 1828; s. John and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, 61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Yorktown, Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, Gaines's Mill, Chickahominy, Glendale, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, Botelier's Mills, Ranneysville, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wapping Heights, Bristow's Station, Rappahannock, Mine Run, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Spottsylvania, North Anna, and Cold Harbor; wd. left elbow slightly at Malvern Hill; dis. Boston, June 21, '64, exp. ser.

BURKE, WILLIAM: b. Milford, Mass., 1843; s. Caroline; bootmaker; en. 1st time Sept. 14, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. to corpl. Aug. 13, '63; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, Newport News, Va. to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y.; in same R. and Co., corpl.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

BURKE, JOHN: b. Ireland, 1828, parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; deserted, Aug. 17, '62, on the march from Harrison's Landing.

BURKE, MICHAEL D.: b. Ireland, 1838; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. July 23, '62, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

BURKE, MILES: b. Ireland, 1833; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. Mar. 31, '64; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; nothing further told.

BURKE, WILLIAM: b. Ireland, 1840; parentage, etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 12, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. F, pri.; k. Sept. 17, '62, at Antietam, Md.

BURKE, SAMUEL: b. Ireland, Munster, Co. Cork, Dec. 27, 1839; s. Thomas; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. in all the battles with his Co.; taken prisoner at Spottsylvania, May 12, '64; held in Richmond till paroled, Aug. 12, '64; dis. Sept. 12, '64, Boston, exp. ser. Holliston counted this man on its quota; but he lived in Milford when he en., and has lived here since his discharge constantly.

BURNS, JOHN: b. Ireland, Co. Clare, Dec. 25, 1844; s. John and Honora; bootmaker; en. Dec. 4, '63, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, pri.; k. in battle, Plymouth, N.C., by a spent solid shot.

BURNS, JAMES: b. Ireland, Co. Clare, Dec. 14, 1845; s. John and Honora; bootmaker; en. Jan. 1, '64, and m. Jan. 2; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; d. of wounds, June 19, '64, at Washington, D.C.

BURNHAM, JAMES A.: b. Wrentham, Mass., Dec. 15, 1839; s. Thomas and Nancy; farmer; en. 1st time Sept. 17, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. in all the battles with his Co.; dis. Jan. 17, '64, to re-en., which he did next day, in the same R. and Co., for 3 y., and again shared with his Co. in all their ensuing battles; m. out with his R. at close of war.

BURR, LIBERTY W.: b. 1828; place, parentage, etc., not given, except name of mother, Orvilla; bootmaker; en. 1st time Oct. 19, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; dis. Jan. 2, '64, to re-en., which he did next day, in same R. and Co., for 3 y.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

BURR, WILLIAM H.: b. North Wilbraham, Mass., 1835; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; taken prisoner battle Chancellorsville, May 5, '63; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser.

BURRILL, ALFRED A.: b. So. Scituate, Mass., Dec. 27, 1838; s. James and Prudence; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. at Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Days fight, before Richmond, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, Locust Grove, Mine Run, Auburn, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Laurel Hill, Spottsylvania, Pamunkey River, No. Anna River, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and Weldon R. R.; promoted corpl. 27 Nov. '63; dis. June 26, '64, exp. ser.

BUTLER, PATRICK: b. Ireland, 1843; s. James and Mary; laborer; en. 1st time, Oct. 4, '62, and m. 18; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; dis. Sept. 5, '63, exp. ser.; en. 2d time Sept. 1, '64, and m. 6; 1 y. R. 2, Co. A, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. June 22, '65, exp. ser.

BUTLER, EDMUND: b. Ireland, April 11, 1830; s. Edmund and Ellen; bootmaker; en. June 18, '62, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 34, Co. A, pri.; dis. May 10, '65, at Cumberland, Md., by order War Dept.

CAHILL, JAMES: b. Wexford, Ireland, Mar. 1833; s. Nicholas and Joanna; bootmaker; en. Jan. 4, '64, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 25, Co. D, pri.; ft. before Petersburg, at Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor, where wd., June 30, '64, in

left shoulder, also in left leg below knee, by minie-balls, in a charge; dis. May 25, '65, at New York, close of war.

CAHILL, TIMOTHY: b. Ireland, 1843; parentage, etc., not given; trunk-maker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, pri.; ft. in all the battles of his R., and not wd. till k. at Gaines's Mills, June 27, '62.

CAHILL, MAURICE: b. Ireland, Co. Cork, 1839; s. Jeremiah and Mary; bootmaker; en. May 1, '61, and m. June 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; in siege Yorktown, 7 ds. fight; wd. at Gaines's Mills by piece of shell in left hip, June, '62; dis. Oct. 14, '62, on surgn.'s cert. of disability.

CAIN, TIMOTHY: b. Ireland, 1838; parentage not given; tailor; en. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. at James Island, Bull Run, Chantilly, So. Mountain, Antietam; dis. Jan. 14, '63, Lincoln Hospital, Washington, D.C., on acct. of disability caused by a strain.

CAIN, MICHAEL: b. Donegal, Ireland, Aug. 1828; s. Barney and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. July 22, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; was with his Co. during term of ser., and not wd. or sick, till regularly m. out with the R.

CAIN, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ireland, April, 1846; s. Barnard and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Aug. 19, '64; 1 y. R. 2, H. Artillery, pri.; nothing more told.

CALLAGHAN, ROBERT: b. Co. Derry, Ireland, 1841; s. Robt. and Susanna; laborer; en. Dec. 9, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, a recruit for H. Artillery. pri.; d. July 18, '64, in prison, Andersonville.

CALLAGHAN, DANIEL: b. Ireland, 1838; parentage not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; wd. Gaines's Mills, June 27, '62; dis. Oct. 1, '62, disability.

CALLAGHAN, PETER: b. Co. Cork, Ireland, about 1838; s. Michael and Mary; bootmaker: en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artillery, pri.; ft. in 7 battles in N.C.; m. out with R., Fort Fisher, Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

CANNON, JAMES, 1st: b. Leitrim Co., Ireland, 1843; s. Timothy and Margaret; bootmaker; en. and m., 1st time, Dec. 25, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, So. Mountain, Antietam, 1st Fred'sburg, where wd. by a musket-ball through right groin; dis. Nov. 30, '63, disability; en. again in N. Jersey Infty. Vet. Vols. April 8, '65; 1 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. July 12, '65, Greensborough, N.C., close of war.

CANNON, JAMES, 2d: b. Ireland, 1833; no parentage given; shoemaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Mar. 30, '63; Convalescent Camp, Va., on surgn.'s cert., disability.

CAREY, LAWRENCE: b. about 1825, Ireland; s. John and Ann; bootmaker; en. first time, Aug. 24, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; wd. in battle Antietam, left arm; transfd. to 2d Battalion, 10th Corps, at Columbia College, Washington, D.C.; dis. from that position Aug. 25 or 28, '64. En. 2d time, Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. not reported.

CAREY, MICHAEL: b. Co. Galway, Ireland, 1839; s. Martin and Julia; bootmaker; en. Feb. 15, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. F. pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, No. Anna, So. Anna, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, and Hatch's Run; dis. with R., exp. ser.

CARLTON, WILLIAM G.: b. Derby, Vt., Sept. 24, 1829; s. Franklin and Mary; farmer; en. July 21, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., and Jackson, Miss.; transferred to Vet. Reserve Corps, Mar. 25, '64; dis. April 18, '65, Elmira, N.Y., disability.

CARPENTER, HIRAM: b. Killingly, Ct., 1823; s. Oliver and Emma; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; d. Jan. 13, '63, in Milford, chron. diarrhœa.

CARPENTER, WILLARD: b. Killingly, Ct., 1825; s. Oliver and Emma; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Oct. 24, '63, Camp Dennison, O.

CARR, JOHN: Ireland, 1837; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, 64, exp. ser.

CARR, JOHN W.: b. Ireland, 1840; parentage, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

CARR, GEORGE A.: b. Woonsocket, R.I., Oct. 26, 1837; s. Peleg and Harriet; en. 1st time June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, Co. A, corpl.; dis. June 27, '64, Taunton, Mass., exp. ser.; en. 2d time Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; July 7, '65, at Milford, sick.

CARTER, WILLIAM: b. Manchester, Eng., 1819; s. Edward and Mary; machinist; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, May 5, '62, and recd. injuries on acct. of which he was dis. June 6, '62.

CARTER, EDWARD: b. Co. Lancashire, Eng., Nov. 11, 1839; s. William and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. in nearly every engagement with his R.; wd. in left arm, Petersburg, Va.; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser. En. again, Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, exp. ser.

CARVER, DAVID A.: b. Prince Edward Island, 1842; s. Oliver and Sarah; bootmaker; first ser. a term for New Bedford, Mass. For Milford en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

CARY, WILLIAM J.: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, 64, exp. ser.

CASEY, MICHAEL: b. Ird., about 1830; s. Michael and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

CASWELL, EARL F.: b. Leeds, Me.; ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; dis. Apl. 25, '64, at Beverly Ford, Va., by reason of transfer to Navy, where he continued from May 9, '64, till reg. dis., Aug. 22, '65.

CHAMBERLAIN, EUGENE C.: b. Upton or Mil., Mass., 1845; s. Nelson and Salina; bootmaker; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

CHAMBERLAIN, FRANKLIN: b. Malden, Mass., 1822; s. Elbridge G. and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 14, '64, exp. ser.

CHAMBERLAIN, GEORGE N.: b. Upton, Mass., 1843; s. Nelson and Salina; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. Mar. 1, '63, to sergt. Dec. 29, '63, to 2d lieut., to 1st lieut., and finally to capt.; meantime he re-en., '63; wd. at bat. of Spottsylvania, May 12, '64; m. out June 27, '65, close of war.

CHAMBERLAIN, CALVIN W.: b. Upton, Mass., 1838; s. Nelson and Salina; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Feb. 1, '63, on surgeon's cert. disability, at Camp Pitcher, Va.; d. consumption, Apl. 9, '66.

CHAPIN, WILLARD H.: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 25, 1846; s. Joel and Izanna; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 19, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B or C, pri.; ft. Walthal, Drury's Bluff, Petersburg, and at Newbern, N.C.; dis. June 16, '65, at Camp Gen. Hospital, David's Island, N. Y. Harbor, close of war.

CHENEY, ALMON F.: b. Mil., Mass., 1846; s. Chandler and Mary H.; bootmaker; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64.

CHEEVER, NATHANIEL: b. Salem, Mass., July, 1824; s. Nathaniel and Lucy; bootmaker; en. July 22, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, sergt.; d. Dec. 14, '63, in Mil., of chron. diarrhœa.

CHERRY, PETER: b. Ird., 1835; s. Joseph and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. May 28, '62, disability.

CHICKERING, HENRY C.: b. 1847; neither place, ptge., nor occupation given; en. and m. Feb. 14, '65; 1 y. R. 61, Co. I, pri.; dis. July 16, '65, close war.

CHIPMAN, JAMES L.: b. 1831; place and ptge. not given; physician; en. and m. Aug. 25, '62; 3 y. R. 39, assistant surgeon; dis. May 23, '64, disability.

CLAFLIN, DEXTER: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 13, 1834; s. Rufus and Sophia; bootmaker; en. Sept. 25, '61, and m. Oct. 18; 3 y. R. 26; band musician; dis. Sept. 15, '62, order War Dept.

CLAFLIN, HENRY A.: b. 1835; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted July 16, '63, 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; ft. in all the bats. with his Co., till k. in that of Malvern Hill.

CLANCY, JOHN: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., 1838; s. Thomas and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artillery, pri.; somehow he was counted on the Upton quota; m. out with the R. at Boston, close of war.

CLARK, DIXWELL H.: b. Boston, Mass., May 17, 1831; s. Nathaniel and Abigail; painter; en. Apl. 29, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, 2d sergt.; prom. to commissary sergt. July 10, '61; dis. Feb. 4, '62, disability; re-en. Aug. 2, '62, and m. 5; 3 y. R. 38, Co. B, pri.; dis. Dec. 5, '62, disability. Re-en and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, 2d lieut.; stationed at Fort Warren; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.; re-en. and m. Jan. 26, '65; 1 y. R. 25, Co. D, pri.; ft. at Five Forks and Kinston, N.C., Mar. 9 and 12; prom. 2d sergt. Feb. 21, '65; dis. July 13, '65, close of war.

CLARK, WILLARD: b. Mil., Mass., Dec. 5, 1830; s. Chester and Mary; bootmaker; en. Sept. 5, '61; 3 y. R. 25, capt., commissioned Oct. 13, '61; ft. at Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; resigned Apl. 8, '62.

CLARK, ELISHA P.: b. Westerly, R.I., Aug. 17, 1833; s. Robert and Dorcas; physician; en. Feb. 17, '64; 3 y. R. 31, assist. surgn.; date commission Feb. 17, '64; dis. Sept. 9, '65, exp. ser.

CLARKE, JOHN: b. Co. Cavan, Ird., 1840; s. Patrick and Harriet; elsewhere previously a vol.; en. Aug. 17, '64, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 2, Co. K, cavalry pri.; dis. July 20, '65, exp. ser. or close of war.

CLERE, GEORGE: b. Cork, Ird., 1828; s. Maurice and Ann; bootmaker; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp; dis. Nov. 30, '63, at Newport News, Va., to re-en., which he did next day, for 3 y. same R. and Co.; fell overboard from steamer "Winonah" in Hampton Roads, night of Sept. 7, '64, and drowned.

CLERE, JAMES P.: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Mar. 23, 1846; s. David A. and Mary; bootmaker; en. July 27, '61, and m. Aug. 14; 3 y. R. 19, Co. E, drummer; was in bats. Yorktown, Fair Oaks, Seven Pines, 7 ds. retreat, 2d Malvern Hill, Antietam, 2d Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg; prom. drum majr. Nov., '63, and to principal musician Dec. 20, '63; dis. Dec. 21, '63, to re-en., which he did the next day, for 3 y., same R. and Co., drum major; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser., being then 1st sergt.

CLIFFORD, PATRICK: b. no date, ptge., or occupation given; en. 3 y. R. 3, H. Artillery, pri.; and nothing more told.

CLIFFORD, JOHN: b. 1841; no place, ptge., nor occupation given; en. and m. Aug. 23, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

COFFEY, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1838; ptge. not given; hostler; en. Dec. 13, '61, and m. Jan. 3, '62; 3 y. R. 38, Co. K, pri.; deserted Jan. 10, '62.

COFFEY, JOHN: b. Ird., Aug. 15, 1843; s. Thomas and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

COFFIN, WILLIAM H.: b. New Bedford, Mass., May 5, 1830; s. Timothy and Betsey; farmer; first a New-Bedford vol.; en. Mil., Nov. 9, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

COLEMAN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 7, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; no more told.

COLEMAN, WILLIAM A.: b., neither place, date, ptge., nor occupation given; en. and m. Oct. 4, 1864; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. A, cavalry, pri.; dis. from Co. B, June 25, '65, close of war.

COLEMAN, MARK: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; no more told.

COLLICOTT, GEO. W.: b. 1835; neither place, ptge., nor occ. given: en. and m. Nov. 21, '63; 3 y. R. 1, Co. F, cavalry, pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

COLLINS, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; d. Oct. 21, '63, Baltimore, Md.

COLLINS, WM. L.: b., neither date, place, nor occ. given; en. 1862; 3 y. R. 5, Co. B, pri., R. I. Artillery; no more told.

COLLINS, CHARLES: b., no date, place, or occ. given; s. John; en. 1861; 3 y. R. 8, Co. B, pri., Illinois cavalry; re-en. Nov. 1, '63, — a broken account.

COLLINS, WILLIAM T.: b., minus place, date, etc.; s. John; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 3, Co. H, pri. R. I. Artil.; dis., date not given.

CONGDON, ISAAC W.: b. 1828; no place, ptge., nor occ. given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Fort Richardson, Va., June 17, '65, exp. ser.

CONNELL, MAURICE: b. 1846; place, ptge., and occ. not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

CONNIFFE, MICHAEL: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1837; s. John and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. 10; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, recruit for H. Artil., pri.; taken pris. at Plymouth, N.C., carried to Andersonville 6 mo., thence to Charleston, S.C., 2 weeks, thence to Florence a while; there paroled, Dec. 7, '64, and finally dis. Aug. 11, '65, for disability.

CONLEY, EDWARD: b. Co. Monaghan, Ird., Aug. 1, 1823; s. Patrick and Mary; soapmaker; en. Aug. 20, '64, and m. 22; 1 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; trans. to 17th Infty. Jan. 17, '65.

CONNOLLY, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1826; s. Patrick and Sarah; bootmaker; en. Dec. 22, '63, and m. Jan. 5, '64; 3 y. R. 59, Co. B, pri.; deserted before going in ser., yet his wife has since been assisted by Milford.

CONNOLLY, HUGH: b. Ird., 1828; place, ptge., etc., not given; bootmaker; en. June 28, '61, and m. July 12; 3 y. R. 16, Co. F, pri.; dis. Dec. 23, '63, to re-en., which he did same day, for 3 y. R. 11, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 14, '65, exp. ser.

CONNORS, JAMES: b. Ird., 1843; s. John and Mary; bootmaker: en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. Yorktown, Hanover Ct. House, Mechan-

icsville, Gaines's Mills, Freds'burg, Chickahominy, Glendale, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, Botelier's Mill, Ranneysville, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wapping Heights, Bristow's Station, Rappahannock, Mine Run, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Spottsylvania, No. Anna, and Cold Harbor; dis. June 15, '64, Boston, Mass., exp. ser.

CONNORS, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. on acct. of wds. recd. in bat. of Charles City Cross Roads.

CONNORS, PATRICK: b. 1846; place not given; s. Timothy and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Feb. 22, '64; in cavalry R. 2, pri.; nothing more.

CONNORS, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1841; s. Joseph and Sarah; bootmaker; en. Jan. 26, '64; landsman on board the war-vessel "Osceola;" in bat. of Fort Fisher; dis. in 1 y. by exp. ser. He had previously ser. 1 y., from May 4, '61, on board sloop "Vincennes."

CONNORS, JOHN M.: b. 1843, place, ptge., occ., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 29, '64; 3 y. Cavalry R. 2, Co. F, corpl.; dis. July 20, '65, close of war.

CONNOUGHTON, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1836, ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, wagoner; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

COOK, ALBERT W.: b. Shelburne Falls, Mass., Sept. 18, 1843; s. Albert A. and Maria F.; student; en. Sept. 6, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, corpl.; prom. sergt. Apl. 16, '62, 1st sergt. Oct. 9, '62; dis. to accept office of 2d lieut. in Co. B, 57th R., Jan. 7, '64; dis. from R. 57, etc., to re-en. Feb. 1, '64; which he did same day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co. as 2d lieut.; prom. to be 1st lieut. in Co. I, R. 57, Mar. 4, '64; to be capt. Co. I, June 15, '65; detailed to act as provost-marshal, 3d Brig., 1st division, 9th Army Corps., Apl. 3, '65; commanding 57th R. from Mar. 25, '65, to Apl. 3; detailed as assistant adj.-gen. same brigade, May, '65; ft. in course of service under the two enlistments, at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Green Swamp, Wilderness, Spottsylvania Ct. House, Cold Harbor, siege of Petersburg, and Fort Stedman. Dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser., Washington, D.C.

COOK, BRENTON B.: b. Cumberland, R.I., Feb., 1841; s. Barton B. and Lavina H.; traveller; en. July 9, '61, on board "Cumberland" man-of-war, seaman; was on the Cumberland till she was sunk in bat. at Newport News, when he swam ashore; dis. by vote of Congress with the other survivors of that terrible scene; re-en. Sept. 25, '62; 9 mo. R. 51, Co. I, and m. Oct. 14, pri.; m. out with R. July 27, '63, exp. ser.

COOK, EDWIN H.; b. Milford, Mass., June 4, 1843; s. Stephen and Diana H.; butcher; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

COOK, SOLON S.; b. Mil., Mass., July 16, 1840; s. Stephen and Diana H.; butcher; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

COOK, EDWARD E.: b. Mendon, Mass., 1845; s. Ira W. and Elma M.; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

COOK, PHINEAS N.: b. 1845; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds., pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

COOK, THEODORE L.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

COOK, I. W.: b. 1829; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 12, '61; 3 y. R. 15, Co. G, pri.; dis. Aug., 1861.

COOLEY, JOHN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; nothing further recorded.

COOLEY, JOHN J.: b. Co. Galway, Ird., June 23, 1827; s. John and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Aug., 1861; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, 1st lieut.; prom. to be capt. Dec. 3, '61; was in no engagement; dis. Apl. 4, '62; en. again Dec. 1, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, sergt.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania Ct. House, Cold Harbor, Chancellorsville, and k. in battle of Petersburg, Va., June 17, '64.

COONEY, JOHN: b. 1836; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 15, '65; 1 y. R. 61, Co. I, pri.; dis. July 16, '65, close of war.

COPP, DAVID G.; b. 1843; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 31, '63; 3 y. R. 19, Co. B, pri.; dis. June 30, '65, close of war.

CORBETT, AUGUSTUS O.: b. Milford, Mass., Mar. 9, 1837; s. John and Almira; farmer; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; wd. in neck by a musket-ball, battle Fair Oaks, May 31, '62; dis. on acct. of wounds Dec. 9, '62.

COSGROVE, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; no more reported.

COTTRELL, ROBERT W., jun.: b. Boston, Mass., 1846; s. Robt. and Bridget: bootmaker; en. Feb. 3, '64, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 25, Co. C, pri.; wd. bat. Cold Harbor in hip; dis. July 13, '65, close of war.

COTTERELL, ROBERT; b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1819; s. Benjamin; bootmaker; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp; dis. Dec. 18, '63, to re-en., which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; taken prisoner Drury's Bluff, and d. in Andersonville prison, Ga., Aug., 1864.

COUGHLAN, MATTHEW: b. Ird, 1840; s. Valentine and Joanna; stonemason; en. Oct. 20, '62, and m. Nov. 1; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. K, corpl.; m. out with his R. Sept. 3, '63.

COUGHLAN, JAMES: b. Co. Kilkenny, Ird., Sept. 9, 1831; s. Valentine and Joanna; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, pri.; dis. Nov. 7, '64, exp. ser.; en. again Feb. 14, '65; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. A, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. Oct. 7 or 20, '65, exp. ser.

COWELLS, MERRICK: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Oct. 29, '61, disability.

COWEN, ABRAM R.: b. 1826; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

COX, NELSON: b. Turner, Me., Mar. 15, 1834; s. Jacob and Mary; bootmaker; en. July 21, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; ft. in all the actions of his Co., and never wd. or sick in ser.; prom. sergt. Jan. 1, '64; dis. June 8, '65, near Alexandria, Va., close of war.

COY, MICHAEL: b. Boston, Mass., May 1, 1847; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Oct. 13, '62, and m. 18; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; ft. Port Hudson Plains, May 21, '63, and Port Hudson 27; dis. July 25, '63, to re-en.; which he did same day in Gen. Banks's body-guard for 1 y.; m. out with R. Aug. 24, '63.

COY, JAMES; b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted Aug. 14, '62.

COY, OWEN: b. Ird., 1819; s. Alexander and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Sept. 3, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N.C., close of war.

COYLE, THOMAS H.: b. Mechanicsville, N.Y., Aug. 17, 1830; s. Barney and Mary; mechanic; en. June 9, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, '62, Fair Oaks, 2d Bull Run, and Chantilly; wd. at Fair Oaks; dis. Mar. 29, '63, disability.

COYNE, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Dec., 1832; s. Patrick and Sabina; bootmaker; en. Apl. 8, '61, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 1, Co. B, Irish Brigade, N. Y., pri.; transferred to Capt. Hogan's battery (A), 2d N. Y. State Vols.; ft. Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight before Richmond, Va., June, '62, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Freds'burg, and 1st Chancellorsville, where wd. in left foot, taken prisoner, paroled, and sent back; prom. sergt. in '62; dis. Sept. 30, '64, at Point Lookout, Md., exp. ser. En. again Mar. 17, '65; 1 y. R. 4, Co. H, pri.; Hancock Vet. Reserve Corps; prom. corpl. Apl. '65; dis. Mar. 17, '66, Columbus, O., exp. ser.

CRAWFORD, JOHN: b. Derry, Sept. 14, 1814; s. James and Nancy; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, June 11, '62, and there wd. in left leg below knee; dis. Aug. 29, '62, disability. En. again Aug. 28, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N.C., order War Dept.

CRAWFORD, HUGH: b. N. York City, Dec. 29, 1847; s. Henry and Sarah; bootmaker; en. and m. July 29, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; ft. at Wise's Cross Roads, N.C.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N.C., exp. ser.

CRAWFORD, JAMES: b. Ird. about 1840; s. Henry and Mary; bootmaker; en. naval ser. Aug. 27, '61; seaman on board vessels "Mohegan" and "Keystone State;" dis. end 3 y. ser. from "Keystone State," Aug. 26, '64. En. again Nov. 19, '64; 1 y., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

CROCKER, GEORGE: b. Uxbridge, Mass., July 20, 1820; s. Samuel M. and Charlotte; farmer; en. Oct. 16, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. D, and m. Oct. 19, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island Feb. 8, '62, Newbern, Mar. 14 following, Whitehall, Kinston, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp expedition; dis. Dec. 17, '63, disability.

CRONIN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 1, '64, exp. ser.

CRONIN, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Mar., 1834; s. Daniel and Margaret; bootmaker; en. and m. July 5, '62; 3 y. R. 2, Co. I, pri.; ft. Cedar Mountain and Chancellorsville, where wd. in right arm by a minie-ball; dis. Dec. 30, '43, to re-en.; which he did same day in same R. and Co. for 3 y.; wd. in hip by bullet May 15, '64, and d. next morning at Resaca, Ga.

CRONIN, STEPHEN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. D, pri.; dis. Dec. 19, '64, exp. ser.

CUMMINGS, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. at Gaines's Mills, Va., June 27, '62.

CUMMINGS, SUMNER: b. 1823; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

CURLEY, THOMAS: b. Co. Roscommon, Ird., about 1825; s. John and Margaret; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 15, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, Cedar Mountain, So. Mountain, Antietam, Freds'burg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Bristow's Station, and Moulton's Ford; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en., which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Pamunky, Cold Harbor, and siege of Petersburg; dis. Aug. 19, '65, Worcester, Mass., Dale Hospital, disability.

CURLEY, WILLIAM: b. Ird., 1821; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Dec. 13, '64, exp. ser.

CURLEY, MALACHI W.: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt.; prom. color-sergt. Jan. 14, '63; wd. at Gaines's Mills June 27, '62; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

CURRY, WILLIAM: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; blacksmith; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Nov. 30, '63, disability.

CUSHMAN, CHARLES F.: b. Bellingham, Mass., Oct. 3, 1825; s. Sabin and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, band as musician; dis. Aug. 11, '62, at camp near Harrison's Bar, Va., by Gen. Order 151, H. Quarters Army Potomac.

DALEY, JOHN: b. Sturbridge, Mass., May 25, 1828; s. Joseph and Mary; shoemaker; en. and m. Aug. 12, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. So. Mountain, Antietam, and Fredericksburg, where wd. in right thigh; prom. corpl. Nov. '62; dis. hospital, Washington. D.C., Feb. 25, '63, disability from wd.

DALEY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1823; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 27, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri., a recruit for H. Artil.; ft. Plymouth, N.C., Apl. 1864; taken prisoner to Andersonville, Ga., thence to Florence, S.C., in Sept.; paroled Dec. 13, '64; sent to Annapolis, Md., and thence to Dale Hospital, Jan., '65; sick with scurvy and rheumatism; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Boston, order of War Dept.

DALEY, DANIEL: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; shoemaker; en. and m. Dec. 2, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. from Co. H, July 8, '65, disability.

DAVIS, GALON, jun.: b. Reading, Vt., Dec. 9, 1818; s. Galon and Rhoda; carpenter; en. July 21, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Jackson, Miss.; recd. a breach Apl. 9, '63, but remained with the R. till Oct. 22; then to hospital at Camp Dennison, O.; transfd. to Vet. Reserve Corps Mar. 25, '64; dis. Mar. 27, '65, Elmira, N.Y., disability.

DAVOREN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1829; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; prom. sergt. Sept. 17, '62; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, Oct. 5, '63; no more told.

DAWSON, ANTHONY E.: b. 1846; place, ptge. etc., not given; en. and m. July 29, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. C, pri.; k. Locust Grove, Va., Mar. 25, '65.

DAY, USHER: b. Alfred, Me., 1838; s. Robert and Ednor; teamster; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; m. out with R. June 8, '65.

DAY, SAMUEL: b. Ird. 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. Gaines's Mills, Va., in battle, June 27, '62.

DAY, DAVID L.: b. Smithfield, R.I., June 27, 1822; s. ~~Daniel~~ and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Sept. 6, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, corpl.; ft. in all the battles with his Co. except at Cold Harbor, and never wd.; prom. sergt. Oct. 15, '62; m. out Oct. 20, '64.

DAY, MOSES, jun.: b. Newfield, Me. 1832; s. Moses and Fanny; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

DELANEY, Patrick: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1818; s. Richard and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 8, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. A, pri.; a recruit for H. Artil.; ft. Wilderness, and Fort Stedman, where taken prisoner and paroled; dis. July 30, '65, Delaney House, D.C., order War Dept.

DELANEY, RICHARD, b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1836; s. Richard and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 9, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; k. in battle of James Island, June 16, '62.

DELANEY, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1827; s. Richard and Mary; boot-

maker; en. and m. Aug. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; ft. Newport Barracks, and Newbern, N.C.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

DELANEY, MATTHEW: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; laborer; en. and m. Aug. 22, '64; 3 y. R. 13, Co. K, pri.; dis. from Vet. Res. Corps, Nov. 30, '65, Portland, Me., close of war.

DERBY, WALLACE W.: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; deserted Apl. 9, '65.

DESAUTELLE, GEORGE G.: Castleton, Vt., Aug, 5, 1845; s. Jacob and Agnes; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 5, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. not given, pri.; transferred Vet. Res. Corps, Feb. 15, '65; no more recorded.

DEVINE, TIMOTHY: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., Nov. 21, 1824; s. Timothy and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 18, '62; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, Cavalry, corpl.; ft. at Aldie, and taken prisoner, June 17, '63, but escaped; dis. Dec. 27, '63, to re-en. at Warrenton, Va.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., corpl.; dis. June 26, '65, from Co. F, exp. ser.

DEVLIN, HENRY: b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Sept. 30, '62; 9 mo. R. 50, Co. I, pri.; dis. Aug. 24, '63, exp. ser.; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil.; taken prisoner at Plymouth, held in Andersonville about 6 mos., in Charleston, S.C., about 2 weeks, and in Florence till paroled, March or Apl., '65; soon after which, dis. from parole camp.

DILLON, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1818; s. Cornelius and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Dec. 28, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; k. in battle May 12, '64, at Spottsylvania, Va.

DILLON, JERRY: b. Ird., 1839; s. Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

DILLON, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1821; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Feb. 4, 63, disability.

DILLON, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Jan. 26, 1845; s. William and Mary; carpenter; en. and m. Nov. 11, '64; 3 y. R. 1, Co. C, pri.; ft. Hatcher's Run, Mar. 25, '65; at Petersburg wd. in left leg below knee by a minie-ball; dis. June 13, '65, Summit-House Hospital, Philadelphia, Penn., close of war.

DODD, CYRUS J.: b. about 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 3, '64; 3 y. R. 2. Co. C, H, Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

DOHERTY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

DOHERTY, PATRICK: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 26, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. June 1, '65, order War Dept.

DOHERTY, JAMES: b. Ird., 1830; ptge. not given; shoemaker; en. June 17, '62, and m. Aug. 6; 3 y. R. 33, Co. C, pri.; supposed burned to death at Columbia, S.C.

DOHERTY, HUGH: b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H. pri.; drowned Sept. 6, '61, in Potomac River.

DONAHUE, JAMES: b. Co. Latrim, Ird., 1824; s. Hugh and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. Bull Run, James Island, Antietam, Chantilly, South Mountain, and Fredericksburg, where wd. by a ball through right thigh, and in head and shoulder by piece of shell; dis. Mar. 30, '63, at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., disability; re-en. Oct. 20, '63, and m. 24; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; ft. at Newbern, N.C.; dis. with R. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

DONAHUE, BERNARD: b. Ird. about 1842; s. John and Alma; occ. not given; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri. dis. June 27, '65, close war.

DONAHUE, JOHN: b., 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 14, '65; 3 y. Battal. 1, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 24, '65, close of war.

DONEGAN, PATRICK: b., no date, ptge., or occ. given; en. and m. 1862; 3 y. R. 1, Co. A, R. I. Light Artil., pri; no more recorded.

DONNEGAN, *alias* DENNINGHAM, JOHN: b. Ird., 1822; no ptge. or occ. given; en. and m. Jan. 12, '64; 3 y. R. 56, Co. F, pri.; d. June 3, '64, Philadelphia, Pa.

DONNELLY, PHILIP, jun.: b. Ird., Mar. 12, 1831; s. Peter and Mary; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close war.

DONOVAN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1843; s. James and Sarah H ; bootmaker; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

DONOVAN, RICHARD: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1837; s. Michael and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Sept. 9, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. E, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Goldsboro', and Kinston, N.C.; dis. Dec. 16, '63, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; ft. before Petersburg, Va.; wd. in left thigh by a musket-ball; resumed ser. in R., Sept. '64; dis. July 13, '65, at Charlotte, N.C., by order War Dept.

DONOVAN, THOMAS: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1840; s. James and Honora; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 16, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. March 1, '65, disability.

DONOVAN, JEREMIAH: b. Ird., Nov. 18, 1842; s. Michael and Mary; seaman; 1st ser. New Bedford, Mass, and 2d Mil.; en. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

DORMAN, PETER: b. place, date, ptge., occ., not given; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 1, R. I, cavalry, pri.; no more told.

DORR, VAN BUREN: b. Sutton, 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 29, '63, and m. Aug. 4; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Jan. 13, '65, Boston, Mass., surgn's cert., disability.

DOTY, ALTON P.: b. place, date, ptge., not given; bootmaker; 3 y. R. 1, Co. D, R. I, cavalry; re-enlisted; no more recorded.

DOYLE, OWEN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1829; s. John and Fanny; laborer; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri., a recruit; ft. Wilderness, and Spottsylvania; wd. left hand, and lost 1 finger, also the use of his hand; dis. May 13, '65, Chester, Penn., surgn's. cert, disability.

DOYLE, JOHN: b. Ird., 1831; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; transfd. '64 to Vet. Res. Corps; no more told.

DOYLE, ANDREW H.: b. Ird., 1827, ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; transfd. '64 to Vet. Res. Corps; no more told.

DRAKE, WILLIAM B.: b. Nantucket, Mass., June 3, 1839; s. Nathan and Statira; printer; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, corpl.; ft. Williamsburg and Fair Oaks, Va.; transfd. quartermaster's dept., June 10, '62; sent to hospital, Philadelphia, sick, Aug. 10, '62; Jan., '63, sent to Military Headquarters, Philadelphia; detailed, Feb. 11, '63, as clerk of Philbert St. Hospital; dis. May 30, '64, on surgeon's cert. of disability, but continued in ser. till hospital closed, June, '65.

DRAPER, WILLIAM F.; b. Lowell, Mass., Apl. 9, 1842; s. George and Hannah B.; draughtsman; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. to 2d lieut. Oct. 11, '61, to 1st lieut. Apl. 15, '62, to capt. in 36th R. Aug. 12, '62, to major Aug. 17, '63, to lieut. col. May 6, '64, brev. brig. gen. Oct. 12, '64. He ft. at Roanoke Island Feb. 8, and 9, '62, Newbern Mar. 14,

'62, Fort Macon same year, Fredericksburg Dec. 13, '62, Vicksburg July 4, '63, Jacksonville July 11, '63; was in all the battles of 36th R. except when absent on acct. of wds.; was wd. in shoulder at Wilderness; dis. Oct. 12, '64, exp. ser.

DRAPER, DANIEL: b. Weston, Mass., Nov. 20, 1826, s. Rufus F. and Polly; teamster; en. Aug. 22, '61, and m. 24; 3 y. R. 20, Co. G; teamster, and made wagon-master; dis. Aug. 23, '64, before Petersburg, Va., exp. ser.

DRISCOLL, MICHAEL: b. Ird. 1839, ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

DRURY, GEORGE A.: b. 1846, place, ptge. etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 25, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; transferred, Dec. 16, '64, to 17th R. infty., Co. D.; dis. June 30, '65, order War Dept.

DUGAN, DANIEL: b. Cahirciveen, Ird., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Dec. 25, '64, before Petersburg, Va., on surgn's cert. disability.

DUNHAM, NATHANIEL: b. Montpelier, Vt., 1820; s. Nathaniel and Mary; laborer; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

DUNN, WALTER R.: b. Northbridge, Mass., 1840; ptge. not given; farmer; en. and m. Sept. 17, '61, 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. with his Co. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, all in N. C., '62–3; dis. Jan. 18, '64, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.; which he did same day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., pri.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

DUNN, PETER, jun.: b. Co. Tyrone, Ird., 1843; s. Peter and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Dec. 4, '63, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; a recruit for H. Artil.; made prisoner in bat. Plymouth, N. C., and carried to Andersonville, Ga., where he d. from diarrhœa and starvation, July 31, '64.

DUNTON, HENRY C.: b. Upton, Mass.; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 14, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. Oct. 15, '61, but reduced to the ranks Aug. 13, '63; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, and Goldsboro', N. C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, to re-en.; which he did, at Newport News, Va., next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co. He was taken prisoner at Cold Harbor, June 3, '64, and d. Richmond, Va., from wds. recd. in action, July 31, '64.

DUGAN, JAMES: b. Ird., 1833, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 9, '61; 3 mo., 3d battal. rifleman; dis. Aug. 3, '61, exp. ser.

EAMES, GEORGE A.: b. Grafton, Mass., 1834; s. Aaron A. and Hannah W.; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Aug. 16, '63, Louisville, Ky.

EASTMAN, THOMAS C.: b. Dennysville, Me., Jan. 6, 1836; s. Thomas and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Camp Sackett, Va., Dec. 27, '61, severe sickness.

ECHMAN, PETER; b. Ird., 1829, ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted, July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 1, Co. C, provost-guard; no more told.

EDWARDS, GEORGE H.: b. Halifax, N. S., Oct. 20, 1836, s. William and Susan; mechanic; en. and m. July 11, '63; 3 y. R. 3, Co. A, H. Artil., pri.; m. out at Washington, D.C., Sept. 18, '65, close of war.

ELLARD, JOHN: b. Co. Cork, Ird., June 24, 1838; s. William and Honora; occ. not given; en. Dec. 1, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; was in battle of Wilderness, and supposed to have deserted. He had previously enlisted, but where is not known.

ELLIS, ALBERT: b. Mil., Mass., 1829; s. Clark Ellis; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

ELLIS, GEORGE H.: b. Mil., Mass., 1839; s. George W. Ellis; clerk; en. Aug. 4, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 11, '62; k. in bat. Jackson, Miss., July 11, '63.

ELLIS, HENRY C.: b. Mil., Mass., July 7, 1842, s. of George W. and Amanda M., brother of the last preceding; clerk; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. Oct. 15, '61, and to sergt. Oct. 9, '62; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully and Green Swamp, N. C.; detailed by special order q. m's. dept. for service on Galloup's Island, Mass.; m. out Oct. 20, '64, at said Island.

ELLSWORTH, THEODORE L.: b. Mil., Mass., June 11, 1833; s. Nathaniel P. and Caroline; clerk; en. and m. Aug. 27, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; prom. to commissary sergt. Jan. 19, '64; dis. May 29, '65, order War Dept.

EMER, EDWIN H.: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 21, '63; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 16, '65, exp. ser. Had ser. a previous term of enlistment to the credit of Readville, Mass.

EMERY, WILLIAM: b. Lunenburg, Mass., Apl. 21, 1833; s. George and Nancy; carriagemaker; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, 1st lieut., commissioned Oct. 13, '61; prom. capt. Apr. 15, '62; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C., also at Port Walthal, Arrowfield Church, Drury's Bluff, Cold Harbor, and siege of Petersburg, Va.; he was wounded in shoulder by a piece of shell at Cold Harbor, June 5, '64; m. out at Worcester, Mass. Oct. 20, '64.

EVANS, SAML. J.: b. Mil., Mass., Jan. 1, 1829; s. Samuel and Ruth; barber; en. Sept. 25, '61, and m. Oct. 18; 3 y. R. 26, band musician; dis. Sept. 15, '62, order War Dept.; re-en. Oct. 23, '62; 9 mo. R. 47, Co. C. pri.; m. out Sept. 1, '63, exp. ser.

EVERETT, CHARLES H.: b. Medway, Mass., Nov. 18, 1844; s. William; occ. not given; en. Dec. 1, '63, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '64, exp. ser. This was his 2d enlistment; particulars of his 1st not given.

FAHEY, WILLIAM: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1844; s. Patrick and Mary; laborer; en. Oct. 11, '62, and m. Dec. 9; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. K, pri.; m. out Wenham, Mass., Sept. 3, '63, exp. ser., ft. during his enlistment at Donaldsville and Port Hudson; en. and m. again July 28, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. C, pri.; left arm broken Hatcher's Run Mar. 25, '65; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

FAHEY, CORNELIUS: b. Ird., 1840, ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 25, and m. next day; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Dec. 27, '62, disability.

FAIRBANKS, WILLIAM H.: b. Wrentham, Mass., Mar. 23, 1823; s. George and Polly; farmer; en. Sept. 18, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; injured in his back May, 1862; and dis. Oct. 8 ensuing, surgn.'s cert. disability.

FAIRBANKS, NAHUM B.: b. Mil., Mass., 1836, s. Nahum and Louisa; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. June 22, '64, Petersburg, Va., exp. ser.

FAIRBANKS, LEONARD, Jr.: b. Worcester, Mass., Sept. 10, 1829; s. Leonard and Abigail; cabinet-maker; en. Aug. 8, '64, and m. 9; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

FANNING, DAVID: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Feb. 10, 1820; s. David and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Apl. 1, '62; 3 y. R. 1, Co. C, pri.; at Williamsburg recd. strain in his back, while carrying Lieut. Warren on a stretcher; taken to White

House Hospital, thence to Yorktown, and thence to Portsmouth Grove; dis. Dec. 27, '62, disability.

FANNING, JAMES T.: b. Portland, Me., 1840, s. Edward and Anna; bootmaker; en. Apl. 8, '62, and m. 30; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; recruit; ft. Kinston, Whitehall and Goldsboro', N.C.; m. out from hospital, Boston, Oct., '65.

FANNING, EDWARD: b. Portland, Me., 1842; s. Edward and Anna; painter; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. July 24, '63; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. Dec. 17, '63, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.; which he did same day for 3 y. in same R. and Co., corpl.; remained with his Co. till bat. of Cold Harbor; where he was wd. in side and back by a piece of shell, and sent to Hospital; dis. July 29, '65.

FANNING, ALEXANDER: b. Boston, Mass., June 15, 1846; s. David and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

FARRELL, CORNELIUS: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., 1831; s. Michael and Mary; bootmaker; en. Oct. 8, '61, and m. 23d; 3 y. R. 25, Co. E, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, Newport News, Va., to re-en., which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; taken prisoner in May, '64, and d. in prison, Charleston, S.C., Feb. 22, '65.

FARRINGTON, JOHN E.: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 29, '62: 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; k. Gettysburg, Pa., July 3, '63.

FERGUSON, JAMES: b. Ird., 1832; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Mar. 9, '64, to re-en., which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co.; absent wd. since May, '64.

FERGUSON, JOSEPH: b. Co. Lowth, Ird., Aug. 15, 1839; s. James and Mary; bootmaker; en. Aug. 11, '62, and m. 12; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Freds'-burg, Brandy Station, Aldie, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Rapidan, Culpeper, Mine Run, Wilderness, and raid into Virginia; also at Ball's Shop, St. Mary's Ch., and Weldon R. R., without ever being wd.; dis. Boston, Mass., Nov. 7, '64, exp. ser.

FIELD, DANA A.: b. Chesterville, Me.; s. Zibeon and Lydia; painter; en. Sept. 9, 1861, and m. 17; 3 y. R. 1, Co. D, cavalry, pri.; ft. James Island, South Mountain, and Antietam; detailed as wagon-master, June 17, '63; dis. Dec. 31, '63, to re-en., which he did the next day, for 3 y. in the same R. and Co., wagon-master; dis. June 29, '65, being then sergt., exp. ser.

FIELD, THOMAS M.: b. Nantucket, Mass., Nov. 4, 1845; s. Caleb and Elizabeth; last-maker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

FIELDS, CHARLES A.: b. Nantucket, Mass., Feb. 17, 1845; s. Caleb and Elizabeth; photographer; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

FINN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1842; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. July 30, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; m. out with R. June 8, '65.

FINN, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1821; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 1, '61; and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. March 30, '63, at Convalescent Camp, Va., disability; re-en. Sept. 2, '63, and m. Oct. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. at Boston, July 28, '65, close of war.

FINN, THOMAS: b. 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

FINNEGAN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. and occ. not given; en. and m. May 19,'61; 3 m. Batt. 3, riflemen, pri.; dis. Aug. 3, '61, exp. ser.

FINNEGAN, JOHN: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 15, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., pri.; trans. Feb. 9, '65, to R. 17 infty., Co. G; dis. June 24, '65, exp. ser.

FINNERTY, MICHAEL A.: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt.; prom. sergt. major, Oct. 25, '61, to 2d lieut., Nov. 3 following, to 1st lieut., Sept. 26, '62, and to capt., Mar. 30, '63; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

FINNERTY, FRANCIS: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 6, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Dec. 31, '63, to re-en., which he did same day for 3 y., same R., Co. K, pri.; trans. June 10, '64, to 32d infty., Co. G; k. May 5, '65.

FINNERTY, MICHAEL: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Sept. 25, 1834; s. Peter and Winnefred; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 17, '64; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; trans. June 10, '64, to 32d R. infty., Co. G, and finally to the Vet. Res. Corps.

FINTON, THOMAS: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., 1831; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. in all the bats. of his R. except during first campaign in Maryland, where he was on guard at Fortress Monroe; dis. June 31, '64, exp. ser.

FINTON, PATRICK: b. Ird. about 1832; s. John and Mary; laborer; en. July 30, '61, and m. Aug. 23; 3 y. R. 21, Co. B, pri.; d. in Washington, D.C., of wds. recd. in battle, Dec., '62.

FINTON, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 4, '62, and m. 6; 3 y. R. 1, Co. 8, cavalry, pri., recruit; dis. Nov. 8, '64, exp. ser.

FISK, GEORGE H.: b. Mil., Mass., 1840; s. Jonathan and Gracia; barber; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; wd. in battle Williamsburg, Va.; deserted Dec. 12, '62, at Falmouth, Va., when his Co. was going into action.

FISH, CORNELIUS A.: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 1, '64; 2 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 25, '65, exp. ser.

FISHER, AMASA H.: b. Upton, Mass., 1806; s. Daniel and Anna; painter; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, drummer; d. of congestive fever and chills, Newbern, N.C., Aug. 4, '62.

FISHER, CHARLES A.: b. Nantucket, Mass., June 4, 1846; s. Meltiah and Azubah; carpenter; en. and m. Mar. 9, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; d. in Milford, Oct. 8, '64, chronic diarrhœa.

FISHER, ROBERT A.: b. Elmdale, N. Scotia, Feb. 24, 1845; s. David and Elizabeth; boxmaker; en. Dec. 8, '63, and m. 10; 3 y. Battery 1, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. at Boston Harbor, Oct. 20, '65, close of war.

FISHER, HENRY M.; b. Harvard, Mass., Nov. 28, 1835; s. George and Mary H.; clerk; en. and m. Aug. 22, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. at Ft. Richardson, Va., June 17, '65, close of war.

FITZGERALD, JAMES: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., Sept. 20, 1840; s. Edmund and Mary; bootmaker; en. in naval ser. May 24, '61; went first on board the war-vessel "Preble," then, Dec. 9, '63, on board "The Bermuda," and, Feb. 15, '65, on board "The Richmond;" was in the engagement at the head of the Passes in the Mississippi River.

FITZGERALD, MICHAEL, b. Ird., 1826; ptge. not given; tailor; en. July 21, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, 2d Battalion, Co. 89; dis. from the same, Aug. 18, '65, Baltimore, Md., on acct. of wd. recd. in battle of Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 15, '62.

FITZPATRICK, EDWARD: b. New York City, Mar. 4, 1840; s. John and Mary;

bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. in all the battles with his R. and Co., and was wd. in left arm at Gaines's Mills, June 27, '62; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

FITZSIMONS, PATRICK: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., Feb. 28, 1847; s. James and Margaret; en. and m. Dec. 10, '63; 3 y. R. 9, Co. K, pri., a recruit; trans. June 10, '64, to 32d infty.; dis. June 29, '65, exp. ser.

FITZSIMONS, PATRICK: b. Ird., March 17, 1831; s. Thomas and Ann; bootmaker; en. Nov. 21, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; ft. Plymouth, N.C., and taken prisoner; confined successively at Andersonville, Ga., Charleston, S.C., Florence, and Wilmington; escaped from the last-named place, Feb. 22, '65, — the day it was taken; dis. July 8, '65, order War Dept.

FLAHERTY, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, corpl.; deserted Aug. 22, '62.

FLANNEGAN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1838; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 7, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. C, pri.; k. May 5, '64, battle Wilderness, Va.

FLETCHER, GEORGE E.: b. West Brookfield, Oct., 1844; s. John M. and Cordelia; bootmaker; en. Dec. 21, '63, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Port Walthal, Arrowfield Church, Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor; wd. at latter place, June 3, '64, in left arm and left thigh; d. of his wds. at Washington, D.C., June 27, '64.

FLETCHER, JAMES M.: b. Mil., Mass., Jan., 1845; s. James M. and Esther; farmer; en. Dec. 21, '63, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Port Walthal, Arrowfield Church, Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor; wd. at latter place, June 3, '64, by a minie-ball through left arm; dis. Greensboro' Hospital, N.C., July 10, '65, disabled by fever and pneumonia.

FLETCHER, GILES E.: b. Belvidere, Vt., Mar. 5, 1839; s. Giles E. and Mary E.; farmer; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war. He had served out a previous enlistment of 3 y. for Sherborn, Mass., R. 12, Co. E; having ft. at Cedar Mountain, Bull Run, and Antietam.

FLETCHER, EMMONS FRANKLIN: b. Mil., Jan. 30, 1835; s. Martin and Mary B.; managing agent; left New Orleans at opening of the war; en. and m. 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, then encamped Yonkers, pri.; prom. 2d lieut., Nov. 28, '61, 1st lieut. July 8, '62, capt. Aug. 12, '62, majr. July 7, '63; ft. hard battles; wd. Williamsburg, and again Spottsylvania Ct. House; m. out July 18, '64; went to Arkansas to manage a cot. plantation, and d. there 1867.

FLYNN, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Mar., 1842; s. Michael and Joanna; laborer; en. Dec. 4, '63, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; taken prisoner at battle of Plymouth, N.C., and confined at Andersonville, Ga., till he d. of starvation, about Aug., '64.

FLYNN, PATRICK, 1st: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., 1837; s. Patrick and Margaret; farmer; en. Dec. 26, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

FLYNN, PATRICK, 2d: b. Co. Roscommon, Ird., 1833; s. Thomas and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Jan. 15, '64, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 57, Co. D, pri.; ft. in battles of Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and Pegram Farm; wd. Spottsylvania in right foot, and at Pegram Farm by piece of shell in left shoulder; dis. at Harwood Hospital, Washington, D.C., June 11, '65, order War Dept.

FLYNN, DANIEL: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1839; s. John and Johanna; bootmaker; en. Dec. 28, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; k. in battle Petersburg, Va., June 17, '64.

FLYNN, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1834; s. John and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Hanover Ct. House, and Gaines's Mills; wd. right hand and arm, June 27, '62, at Gaines's Mills, by a ball; dis. Sept. 26, '62, at Fort McHenry, Md., disability.

FLYNN, CHARLES: b. Ird., 1836, ptge. not given; shoemaker; en. July 31, '62, and m. Aug. 26; 3 y. R. 36, Co. G, pri.: deserted Sept. 2, '62.

FLYNN, DAVID; b. Co. Cork, Ird., about 1828; s. Daniel and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Sept. 24, '63, and m. Oct. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; m. out, Sept. 3, '65, Boston, Mass., exp. ser.

FLYNN, MILES: b. Ird., 1832; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 26, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; deserted Dec. 4, '61.

FLYNN, JOHN: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1820; s. Patrick and Johanna; bootmaker; en. Aug. 4, '64, and m. 8; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., pri.; dis. at Smithville, N.C., Sept. 3, '65, close of war.

FOLEY, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 1, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. K, pri.; dis. Aug. 1, '64, exp. ser.

FOLEY, WILLIAM: b. Ird., 1825; ptge. not given; carpenter; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; k. Aug. 30, '62, at Bull Run, Va.

FOLEY, PETER: b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; deserted Aug. 22, '62.

FOLEY, FRANCIS: b. 1840; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Jan. 26, '63, disability.

FOLGER, OBED L.: b. Nantucket, Mass., Feb. 8, 1836; s. Roland and Eliza Ann; bootmaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; ft. Mine Run, Rappahannock Station, Rappahannock Creek, and Culpeper; consolidated with R. 32, Co. M, Oct. 26, '64; dis. June 29, '65, near Washington, D. C.

FORD, JOHN J.: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1834; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Jan. 1, '64, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; wd. May 5, '64, in battle of Wilderness, by ball in right side, and shell in left hip; transfd. June 10, '64, to 32d infty., Co. H, then, Aug. 25, to Vet. Res. Corps; retained in ser. till cured of his wds.; dis. Aug. 9, '66.

FORD, WILLIAM: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

FORD, DENNIS: b. Ird., 1828; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 26, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. E, pri.; deserted Aug. 22, '61.

FOSTER, FRANCIS H.; b. So. Boston, Mass., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. at Chancellorsville, and taken prisoner at White House Landing, Va.; dis. June 27, '64, at Petersburg, exp. ser.

FOSTER, WILLIAM B. (or P.); b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 3 y. R. 11, Co. G, pri.; dis. July 14, '65, exp. ser.

FOSTER, NELSON: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 3, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 25, '65, exp. ser.

FRAMPTON, JAMES A.: b. New Bedford, Mass., May 30, 1844; s. Robert L. and Elizabeth; farmer; 1st ser. New Bedford; en. for Mil., Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, exp. ser.

FRAMPTON, ROBERT L., jun.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 18, 1846; s. Robert L. and Elizabeth; farmer; first ser. New Bedford; en. for Mil., Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, musician; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

FRANKLIN, BENJAMIN A.: b. 1840; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

FREEMAN, WILLIAM: b. Charlestown, Mass., 1827; ptge. not given; seaman; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; wd. in right side at battle of Fair Oaks, June 1, '62; dis. Nov. 29, '62, on acct. of his wd.; en. and m. again, Aug. 4, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., corpl.; dis. May 17, '64, to enlist in navy.

FULLER, GEORGE A.: b. Charlestown, Mass., Oct. 20, 1845; s. Stephen and Mary; farmer; en. and m. Dec. 1, '63; 3 y. R. 2, H. Artil., vol. recruit, pri.; nothing further recorded.

GALLAGHER, JOHN: b. Tipperary, Ird.; ptge. not given; shoemaker; en. and m. Mar. 4, '62; 3 y. R. 1, Co. M (Edward A. Chandlers), pri.; dis. Mar. 20, '64, to re-en. as a veteran volunteer.

GALLAGHER, OWEN: b. Ird., 1839; s. Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, corpl.; k. Malvern Hill, July 1, '62.

GALLON, MICHAEL: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., Sept. 14, 1829; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. July 20, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 20. Co. F, pri.; ft. at Ball's Bluff; dis. May 22, '62, surgn's cert., disability; re-en. Aug. 15, '63, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; ft. at Newport News, Feb. 2, '64; detailed for hospl. ser. at Newbern, N.C., Sept., '64; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

GALLON, PATRICK: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., 1833; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Feb. 9, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, corpl.; ft. battle Wilderness, and wd. in left hand, losing forefinger; was in Fort Steadman, front Petersburg, Va.; taken prisoner there, confined in Richmond till paroled, and finally dis. at Washington, D.C., July 30, '65, close of war.

GAYNOR, THOMAS H.: b. Co. Dublin, Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. May 31, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 10, Co. K, pri.; dis. July 31, '62, Clifton Hospl., disability.

GEHAGAN, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1819; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Dec. 19, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; taken prisoner, June 2, '64, at Cold Harbor, and d. prison at Mellen, about Oct. 1, '64.

GELLET, CHARLES W.: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

GEORGE, ALBION H.: b. Milford, Feb. 21, 1845; s. Edward and Ruhama; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 9, '63; 3 y. R. 2, H. Artil., recruit, pri.: no further reported on record.

GERRY, ELBRIDGE: b. Hillsboro', Vt., Apl. 16, 1824; s. John and Betsey; farmer; en. Jan. 4, '64, and m. 14; 3 y. R. 1, Co. I, pri.; transfd. to Vet. Res. Corps, Sept. 20, '64, by special order of War Dept.; dis. July 5, '65, Washington, D.C., close of war.

GETCHELL, THOMAS B.: b. 1843; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, musician; dis. May 28, '64, exp. ser.

GIBBONS, BARNEY (or BARNARD): b. Ird., 1824; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Oct. 1, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; k. Chantilly, Sept. 1, '62.

GIBSON, VICTOR: b. St. John, N.B., Apl. 10, 1834; s. James and Ann; bootmaker; en. May 1, '61, and m. June 17; 3 y. R. 9, band; ft. siege Yorktown, Hanover Ct. House, Mechanicsville, Gaines's Mills, Chickahominy, White Oak Swamp, Malvern Hill, etc.; dis. Harrison's Landing, Aug. 11, '62, order War Dept.; en. again, Dec. 29, '62, and m. Jan. 10, '63; 3 y. R. 3, H. A. Co. A, pri.; dis. Sept. 18, '65, exp. ser.

GIFFORD, THOMAS J.: b. 1841; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, 1st lieut.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

GILBRIDE, HUGH: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Jan. 3, '63, from hosptl., disability.

GILDAY, PHILIP; b. Co. Sligo, Ird., Sept. 25, 1819; s. Owen and Mary; laborer; en. and m. Feb. 5, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. E, pri.; no further record.

GILGON, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 11, '62, and m. 12; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Dec. 19, '64, exp. ser.

GILLIGAN, MATTHEW: b. Co. Kavagen, Ird., 1828; s. Andrew and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Dec. 16, '63, and m. Feb. 9, '64; R. 57, Co. D, recruit, pri.; ft. Wilderness, Weldon R. R., Cold Harbor, Hatcher's Run; dis. Delaney House, D.C., special order War Dept., July 24, '65. He was transfd. to R. 59, infty., when m. into ser.

GILLESPIE, EDWIN C.; b. 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. May 24, '61; 3 y. R. 1, Co. F, pri.; prisoner of war, Aug. '62; no more given.

GLEASON, JESSE D.: b. 1830; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; with his R. till k. at siege, Petersburg, Va., July 25, '64.

GLEASON, WILLIAM: b. Co. Tipperary, Ird., 1838; ptge. not given; spinner; en. and m. July 12, '61; 3 y. R. 15, Co. K, pri.; dis. at Boston, Oct. 30, '63, disability.

GLENNAN, PATRICK: b. Ird., Dec. 12, 1846; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65; Boston Harbor, close of war.

GODFREAUX, PEDRO: b. Canada, 1824; s. John and Ellen; carriagemaker; en. and m. March 21, '64; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F; nothing more recorded.

GOODELL, *alias* GOODALE, SIDNEY W.: b. Cabot, Vt., Feb. 14, 1831; s. John and Lucy; farmer; en. June 9, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg and Fair Oaks; dis. Jan. 7, '63, Philadelphia, Pa., complicated disability; en. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, Boston Harbor, close of war.

GOODNOW, HENRY B.: b. Sterling, Mass., Mar. 29, 1830; s. Charles and Mercy S.; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Gaines's Mills, Charles City Cross Roads, Malvern Hill, and 2d Bull Run; prom. corpl. Apl. 1, '62; dis. Mar. 29, '63, on acct. wd. recd. battle Bull Run; en. again July 13, '63, and m. Aug. 4; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, pri.; dis. Aug. 2, '65, at hospl., Worcester, Mass., close of war.

GOODNOW, CHARLES E.: b. Stow, Mass., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; taken prisoner at battle Freds'burg, Dec. 13, '62; d. of disease, Annapolis, Md., Jan. 13, '63.

GOODNOW, PETER: b. 1830; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 29, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June, 26, '65, exp. ser.

GORE, ALFRED E.: b. Augusta, Me., Nov. 25, 1844; s. Alfred L. and Mary Ann; hatter; en. Feb. 9, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

GORMAN, MAURICE: no date of birth, place, ptge., or occ. given; claimed as a Mil. soldier, though serving among R. I. volunteers, under a 3 y. en. in R. 4, Co. A; no more told.

GOUCHER, ALFRED: b. Montreal, Can., Mar. 8, 1838; s. Anthony and Dorothy; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; was in all the engagements of his R., till wd. battle Fair Oaks, where he

lost left forefinger; again Chancellorsville, where he lost right great toe; dis. June 27, '63, Boston, Mass., surgn's cert. disability.

GOULD, MOSES: b. Mil., Mass., Dec. 11, 1824; s. Josiah and Olive; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. K, pri.; in all the battles of his Co.; dis. from Co. B, June 8, '65, Readville, Mass., exp. ser.

GRACE, EDWARD: b. Ird., 1834; s. Nicholas; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

GRACE, RICHARD: b. Ird., 1833; s. Nicholas; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

GRANT, GEORGE O.: b. Uxbridge, Mass., Dec. 22, 1842; s. Harrison G. O. and Sarah J.; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

GRAY, THOMAS R.: b. Boston, Mass., Apl. 27, 183–; s. Richard and Sarah E.; bootmaker; en. and m. July 27, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; ft. Ball's Bluff, Yorktown, Seven Ds. retreat, 2d Bull Run, two battles Freds'burg, Antietam, Gettysburg, and before Petersburg, without ever being wd.; dis. July 27, '65, Petersburg, Va., exp. ser.

GREENE, EDWARD: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted Sept., '61.

GREENE, J. MARSHALL: b. Cambridge, Mass., Aug. 26, 1838; s. George A. and Avis; bootmaker; en. May, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg May, '62, Fair Oaks, Charles City Cross Roads, and Malvern Hill, all in '62; dis. Sept. 30, '62, disability.

GREEN, WILLIAM S.: b. Wilton, Me., Mar. 30, 1834; s. David and Hannah; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, near Alexandria, Va., exp. ser.

GREENE, CHARLES B.: b. Dorset, Vt., Mar. 26, 1845; s. Benjamin and Angeline; laborer; en. Aug. 20, '64, and m. 22; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

GREENE, JOHN E.: b. Cambridge, Mass., 1840; s. George A. and Avis; bootmaker; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

GREELISH, OWEN L.: b. Ird., Mar. 1, 1841; s. Owen and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 13, '61; 3 y. R. 11, Co. D, pri.; dis. Nov. 22, '61, disability; en. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

GREELISH, MICHAEL: b. 1837; place not given; s. Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 5, '65; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, corpl.; ft. in all the engagements with Ferguson and James Coughlin, in same Co.; dis. Nov. 11, '64, exp. ser.

GREENLAW, THEOPHILUS: b. 1832; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Oct. 27, '62, Knoxville, Tenn.

GREENWOOD, JAMES H.: b. 1836; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 31, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, with his R.

GRIFFIN, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1826; s. John and Eliza; bootmaker; en. Dec. 24, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. Oct. 15, '64, disability.

GRIFFIN, JOHN W.: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

GRIFFIN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Feb. 18, '63, Point Comfort Hospl., Md., disability. He afterwards en. in 10th Regulars, and was k. at Island No. 10.

GRIFFIN, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; m. out with his R., close of war.

GUILD, CHARLES T.: b. Franklin, Mass., 1842; s. Charles A. and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; taken prisoner at White Oak Swamp July 1, '62, and carried to Richmond, Va.; dis. Sept. 27, '62, disability.

GUILD, CHARLES A.: b. Wrentham, Mass., Feb. 10, 1812; s. Timothy and Esther; mason; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. 10; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; taken prisoner in battle at Plymouth, N.C., carried to Andersonville, Ga., and d. there of chron. diarrhœa, Aug. 14, '64.

HADLEY, LEONARD D.: b. Mendon, Mass., Apl. 13, 1829; s. William and Mercy; bootmaker; en. Sept. 18, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island Feb. 7 and 8, '62, and at Newbern Mar. 14 following, where he lost his right arm; dis. Nov. 11, '62, disability.

HALEY, JEREMIAH: b. 1835; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 2, '64; 3 y. R. 22, Co. E, pri.; dis. June 29, '65, close of war.

HALL, ERASTUS D.; b. Rindge, N.H., Sept. 1, 1837; s. Darling C. and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri. He first ser. under an en. in N. H., R. 6, Co. H, from which he was dis. Jan. 13, '63, on acct. of disability. Under this sec. en. he was stationed at Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor, and thence dis. June 27, '65.

HANCOCK, JOSEPH: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 6, 1818; s. Samuel and Submit; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, 2d sergt.; prom. 1st sergt. Jan. 5, '63; ft. Freds'burg, Va., and Jackson, Miss.; prom. 2d lieut. July, '63, to 1st lieut. Feb. 2, '64, and to capt. Oct. 11, '64; ft. Spottsylvania Ct. House, Cold Harbor, Pegram's Farm, and before Petersburg, Apl., '65; dis. June 8, '65, at Alexandria, Va.

HAND, WILLIAM: b. 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 12, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K; no further reported.

HANDLEY, LEVI L.: b. Mil., Mass., June 10, 1835; s. John and Sylvia; farmer; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; transfd. to R. 15, Co. I, Vet. Res. Cor., Apl. 1, '65; dis. July 8, '65, Springfield, Ill.

HANDLEY, JAMES W.: b. Mil., Mass., July 27, 1840; s. John and Sylvia; en. and m. Jan. 19, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. K, pri.; had previously ser. a term on the quota of Upton, from which he was dis. the day before this sec. enlistment; dis. finally July 13, '64, exp. ser.

HANNAN, John: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Mar. 19, 1849; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. July, 1864; 3 y. R. 2, artil., pri.; no more told.

HANNEGAN, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1836; s. Daniel and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. E, pri.; dis. Dec. 17, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day for 3 y., same R. and Co.; dis. June 21, '65, disability.

HANSON, EDWARD, jun.: b. Medway, Mass., July 12, 1845; s. Edward and Mary; bootmaker; en. July, '61, and m. 12; 3 y. R. 15, Co. K, pri.; dis. Nov. 4, '63, Convalescent Camp, Va., disability; ft. Fair Oaks, Gettysburg, 2d Freds'burg, and Chancellorsville; wd. at Fair Oaks by minie-ball in left hip; en. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, exp. ser.

HARDEN, HOSEA: b. Hingham, Mass., Mar. 8, 1839; s. Hosea and Hannah; carpenter; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Charles City Cross Roads, and Malvern Hill, between May 1 and July 1, '62; dis. Nov. 20, '62, on acct. of an injury in the back.

HARDY, WILLIAM H.: b. Tewksbury, Mass., 1832; ptge. not given; salesman; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Jan. or Feb. 4, '62, Alexandria, Va., disability.

HARLOW, HENRY L: b. Plymouth, Mass., 1845; s. Ansel H. and Mary O.; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

HARRIGAN, JAMES: b. Ird., Apl. 4, 1843; s. Jeremiah and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

HARRINGTON, JOSEPH: b. Manchester, Eng., Nov., 1827; s. Joseph and Catherine; tailor; en. Jan. 4, '64, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 4, Co. E, cavalry, pri.; deserted Mar. 1, '64.

HARRINGTON, JEDEDIAH C.: b. Cornish, N.H., 1808; s. Aaron and Nancy; mechanic; en. 3 y. R. 10, Ohio cavalry; no more told.

HART, TOBY: b. Agate Falls, Vt.; ptge. not given; shoemaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; trans. Oct. 26, '64, to R. 32, Co. M, and Jan. 21, '65, to Vet. Res. Corps.

HARVEY, WILLIAM: b. Blackstone, Mass., Mar. 21, 1846; s. Henry W. and Eliza Ann; carpenter; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed Fort Warren; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

HASKINS, CLARK T.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 10, 1839; s. Samuel and Sarah C.; seaman; first ser. a term in navy; dis. July 17, '64; then en. in Milford, Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

HASTINGS, FRANK S.: b. Mendon, Mass., June 29, 1846; s. Seth and Ruth S.; photographer; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

HATCH, DANIEL A.: b. Portsmouth, N.H., May 18, 1838; s. Daniel and Fidelia M.; shoemaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, pri.; dis. Apl. 1, '64, disability.

HATCH, WILLIAM L. F.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Sept. 8, 1820; s. Lyman and Polly; trapper; en. Sept. 9, '63, and m. Oct. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; ft. at Newbern, N.C., Rainbow Bluffs, Cleowan River, Colerain, and Columbia; dis. Smithville, N.C., July 16, '65, disability.

HAVERTY, JOHN F.: b. 1843; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, pri.; dis. Mar. 1, '63, disability.

HAWES, WILLIAM C.: b. Walpole, Mass., 1835; ptge. not given; coal-oil manufacturer; en. and m. May 30, '62; 6 mo. Batt. 8, Light Artil., pri.; dis. Nov. 29, '62, exp. ser.

HAWKINS, GEORGE M.: b. Franklin, Mass., Jan. 22, 1833; s. Hezekiah and Sarah; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., Jackson, Miss., and Jamestown, Ky.; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, R. 13, Co. G, May 4, '64; dis. Boston Harbor, July 6, '65, exp. ser.

HAWKINS, GEORGE W.: birth-date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. 1862; 3 y. R. 1, Co. D, R. I., Light Artil.; no more told.

HAYES, JOHN: b. Co. Tipperary, Ird., 1841; s. Daniel and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston, close of war.

HAYNES, MILO E.: b. Mil., Mass., Dec. 25, 1846; s. Jeremiah and Louisa; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

HAYNES, WALTER S.: b. Saco, Me., Feb. 6, 1835; s. Timothy and Orinda; clerk; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., and Jackson, Miss.; dis. Sept. 28, '63, disability.

HAYNES, HARRISON: b. 1823; place, ptge., etc., not given; farmer; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; rejected recruit.

HAYWARD, HENRY J.: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 28, 1842; s. Bainbridge and Martha; student; en. Aug. 25, '62, and m. Sept. 16; 9 mo. R. 43, Co. K, pri.; ft. Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', and Blunt's Cross Roads; dis. July 30, '63, exp. ser; en. again, Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, sergt.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.; en. and m. again, Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, 2d lieut.; dismissed July 17, '65, close of war

HENELLY, BARTHOLOMEW: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1829; s. Coleman and Mary; bootmaker; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; trans. to Co. E, before leaving Camp Lincoln; dis. Apl. 24, '63, disability; en. again, Dec. 4, '63, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, pri.; recruit H. Artil.; taken prisoner battle Plymouth, N.C., and carried to Andersonville, Ga., and thence to Florence, S.C., where he d. of starvation, Oct., 1864.

HENNESSEY, PATRICK: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., Mar. 17, 1838; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Aug. 18, '64, and m. 19; 1 y. R. 4, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 17, '65, Fort Richardson, Va., close of war.

HENNESSEY, MAURICE: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., Aug., 1846; s. Michael and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Aug. 18, '64, and m. 19; 1 y. R. 4, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 17, '65, Fort Richardson, Va., close of war.

HENRY, JAMES: b. Co. Mayo, Ird., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Nov. 27, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; d. Andersonville, Ga., Aug. 1, '64.

HERRICK, GEORGE W.: b. 1820; place and ptge. not given; tailor; en. Sept. 3, '64, and m. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; trans. to infty. R. 17, Co. A, Dec. 16, '64; k. in battle Kinston, N.C., Mar. 8, '65.

HEWINS, WALTER J: b. Bellingham, Mass., Aug. 19, 1844; s. Leonard F. and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 24, '64; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; never sworn in, on acct. of poor health.

HIGGINS, DANIEL E.: b. Charlotte, Me., May 7, 1843; s. John and Abigail; bootmaker; en. July 1, '61, and m. 3; 3 y. R. 29, Co. B, pri.; ft. Newport News, '61, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, So. Mountain, and 1st Fred'sburg, Va.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. R. 29, Co. B, corpl.; dis. July 29, '65; exp. ser.

HIGGINS, JOHN J.: b. Charlotte, Me., Apl. 3, 1835; s. John and Abby; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; ft. at Jackson, Miss., and wd. in right side, at Blue Springs, Campbell's Station, and siege of Knoxville, Tenn., at Wilderness, Spottsylvania Ct. House, and Cold Harbor, Va.; wd. at last place in right leg; dis. May 16, '65, at Lovell Gen. Hospl. Portsmouth Grove, R.I.

HIGGINS, JOHN C.: b. Buckingham, Canada, Apl. 29, 1843; s. Michael and Ann; bootmaker; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, all in N. C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.;

which he did same day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co.; accidentally wd. by a pistol-shot, Portsmouth, Va., Sept. 6, '64; dis. July, 27, '65, Boston, exp. ser.

HIGGINS, PATRICK: b. Ird., about 1839; s. Michael and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

HIGGINS, JAMES: b. Buckingham, Canada, Dec. 22, 1848; s. Michael and Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. July 23, '63, 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

HIGGINS, GEORGE S.: b. Charlotte, Me., Dec. 10, 1841; s. John and Abby: bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 25, '61; in naval ser., boy; drawn from receiving-ship "Oliver" to ser. on board frigate "Congress;" was lost in the battle with "The Merrimack" at Hampton Roads, Va.

HILL, ISAAC: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 28, '62, 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. May 28, '64, exp. ser.

HILLER, ALFRED: b. 1840; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

HOLBROOK, WILLIAM: b. Upton, Mass., Oct. 16, 1842; s. Ezra W. and Polly; bootmaker; en. and m. Apl. 16, '61; 5 y. R. 1, Co. G, U. S. Artil., pri.; ft. at Blackman's Ford, July 18, '61, 1st Bull Run, siege of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Hanover Ct. House, Fair Oaks, Gaines's Mills, White Oak Swamp, and Charles City Cross Roads; wd. at the last-named place by a ball through the right shoulder, and sent to hospl.; ft. at Antietam, and was again sent to hospl. on acct. of his wd.; dis. Jan. 12, '63, from Portsmouth-Grove Hospl., R.I., on acct. of wd.; en. again, Sept. 25, '63, for 3 y. in R. 5, Co. F, N. H. Infty., pri.; ft. at Spottsylvania and Cold Harbor, Va.; wd. at the last-named battle, and taken prisoner; confined successively in Richmond, Andersonville, Savannah, Mellen, Blackshire, Charleston, Florence, and Goldsboro'; paroled Mar. 2, '65, and sent to hospl. on acct. of sickness, and thence to Parole Camp at Annapolis, Md.; dis. June 7, '65, close of war.

HOLBROOK, SEWELL B.: b. Upton, Mass., Nov. 28, 1848; s. Ezra W. and Polly; farmer; somehow got counted on the quota of Hadley, Mass.; en. and m. June 5, '64; 3 y. R. 17, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Yes Fork, N.C., Mar. 8, 9, and 10, also at Bennettville, N.C.; wd. at the Forks by a shot in mouth; dis. July 27, '65, Readville, Mass., close of war.

HOLBROOK, JAMES M.: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 18, 1829; s. Theron and Nancy; bootmaker; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; d. of disease at Hammond Gen. Hospl., Beaufort, N.C., May 2, '64.

HOLBROOK, MELLEN T.: b. Mil., Mass., May 24, 1844; s. Benjamin and Louisa; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. Mar. 1, '63, sergt. Apl. 1, '64; ft. Yorktown, Williamsburg, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, 1st Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg; at the last-mentioned battle wd. in head by a musket-ball, and sent to hospl. till Aug. 29, '63; afterwards ft. at Locust Grove, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Laurel Hill, Spottsylvania, Pamunkey River, No. Anna, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg, Va. June, '64; m. out June 27, '64, exp. ser.

HOLBROOK, ROBERT S. D.: b. Dummerston, Vt., Feb. 13, 1833; s. Charles and Betsy; carpenter; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp, N.C., between Feb. 1, '62, and June 1, '63; dis. Sept. 17, '63, disability.

HOLBROOK, CHARLES: b. Sherborn, Mass., Oct. 14, 1817; s. Lewis and Hannah; bootmaker; en. Nov. 22, '63, and m. Dec. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; taken prisoner Apl., '64, and d. Andersonville, Ga., Aug. 18, '64.

HOLDEN, JAMES D.: b., date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. June 27, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. H, pri.; dis. Oct. 21, '61, Alexandria, Va., disability.

HOLIEN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1841; s. Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. July 1, '62.

HOLLAND, WILLIAM: b. Ird., 1829; ptge. not given; carpenter; en. Dec. 13, '61, and m. 23; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, sergt. prom. sergt. major Nov. 1, '62, and 2d lieut. Nov. 15, '62; k. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62.

HOLLAND, HOWARD: b., date and place not given; s. John and Martha; bootmaker; en. and m. Nov., 1861, regular U. S. Army, R. 1, Co. B, Light Artil., pri.; no more told.

HOLLAHAN, EDWARD: b. Lowell, Mass., 1843; s. Edward; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, 2d Bull Run, So. Mountain, Antietam, Chantilly, 1st Fred'sburg, and Gettysburg; slightly wd. at Bull Run on the back in left shoulder; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did Jan. 2, '64, for 3 y., in same R. and Co.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

HOLMES, OTIS W.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Nov. 26, 1835; s. William G. and Betsey C.; bootmaker; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. sergt. Oct. 15, '61, to 1st sergt. Apl. 28, '62, to 1st lieut. in 36th R. Aug. 12, '62, and to capt. May 2, '63; d. Harwood Hospl., Washington, D.C., June 23, '64.

HOLT, CHARLES E.: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 19, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

HONEY, JAMES M.: b. New Boston, N.H., Nov. 11, 1818; s. Parmenter and Hannah; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '61, and m. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. I, teamster; ft. West Point, Fair Oaks, and 7 ds. retreat; dis. Falmouth, Va., Feb. 12 or 13, '63, disability.

HORNER, JOHN: b. Ird., 1841, ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, 64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

HORNER, JOHN: b. Ird., 1840; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I., pri.; deserted Dec. 16, '62, at Readville, Mass.

HORTON, JOHN S.: b. Attleboro', Mass., June 21, 1833; s. John and Susan; mason; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp expedition; dis. Jan. 18, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day in same R. and Co.; dis. July 13, '65, with his R., at Charlotte, N. C.

HORTON, CHARLES A.: b. Fall River, Mass., Aug. 2, 1843; s. John B. and Eliza J.; bootmaker; en. Dec. 16, '63, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Port Walthal and Pocahontas, Va.; at last-named place shot through the bowels, and d. May 10, '64.

HORTON, HENRY W.: b. Fall River, Mass., June 4, 1846; s. John B. and Eliza J.; bootmaker; en. Dec. 16, '63, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, corpl.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

HORTON, ANDREW J.: no birth-place, date, ptge., or occ. given; en. with R. I. Vols., 3 y. R. 4, Co. D; no more told.

HOUGHTON, NATHAN H.: b. 1824; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, sergt.; dis. July 30, '63, disability.

HOUREN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1835; bootmaker; en. Aug. 1, '62, and m. 15; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted Sept. 18, '63.

HOWARD, AUSTIN: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 16, 1839; s. Albert and Hannah D.; clerk; en. and m. June 1, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Aug. 31, '61, chron. diarrhœa; re-en. and m. Feb. 4, '65, 3 y. R. 2, Co. A, cavalry; was with Sheridan in his raid through Shenandoah Valley, Mar., '65; dis. July 20, '65, at Fairfax Ct. House, Va. He was also in the naval ser. for a considerable term, commencing Mar. 30, '62, on board gunboat "Signal" and in the Mississippi Squadron; he ft. at Memphis and St. Charles in '62, was prom. to Master's Mate Sept. 29, '62, ft. at Haines's Bluff on Yazoo River, at Arkansas Post, Jan. 11, '63, and at Fort Pemberton the Mar. ensuing. Resigned Apl. 20, '63, and resignation accepted May 1, '63, on acct. of fever and ague. Other services not above included.

HOWARD, OLEVAN: b. 1844; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. July 28, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Jackson, Miss., and recd. wds. in head of which he d. Sept. 24, '63, at Cincinnati, O.

HOWARD, WHITMAN: b. Mil., Mass., Sept. 19, 1849; s. Hollis and Emily; laborer; en. and m. Feb. 9, '65; 1 y. R. 61, Co. K, pri.; dis. June 24, '65, at Boston, Mass., order War Dept.

HOWARD, EDGAR E.: b. Mil., Mass., Sept. 15, 1845; bootmaker; en. Aug. 16, '64, and m. 18; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, pri.; ft. at Forts Barnard and Albany, Va., and at Fort Lincoln, Md.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

HOWARD, EDSON F.: b. Bethel, Me., Apl. 15, 1838; s. Samuel J. and Sarah H.; teamster; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

HOWARD, SYLVESTER B.: b. Mil., Mass., Aug. 25, 1842; s. Jesse and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, from Fort Warren, Boston Harbor, exp. ser. Re-en. three days after, for 1 y. in same Co., corpl.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

HOWARD, STEPHEN E.; b. 1841; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

HOWARTH, JOHN: b. Manchester, Eng., June 15, 1825; s. Stephen and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed in Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

HOWE, EDWARD W.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Dec. 2, 1845; s. Stedman W. and Clara M.; hostler; en. and m. Dec. 10, '63; 3 y. 1st Batt. H. Artil., a recruit, pri.; stationed in forts on the coast of Mass.; dis. June 29, '65, exp. ser.

HOWE, WILLARD N.; b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1842; s. Stedman W. and Clara M.; teamster; en. and m. June 21, 61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; deserted Aug. 20, '62, on march to 2d Bull Run; re-en. Jan. 10, '64, but deserted during the battle of the Wilderness, Va.; returned to the R. Mar. 30, '65; deserted again the following Apl.; no more told.

HOWLAND, EDWARD F.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Apl. 17, 1846; s. Paul and Lydia; occ. not given; ser. a term of enlistment for New Bedford; then en. for Mil., Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

HOYT, AMOS: b. Black Brook, Chester Co., N.Y., 1842; s. Moses and Lydia; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 11, '62; k. in battle, Jackson, Miss., July 11, '63.

HOYT, DIXI C.: b. Northfield (or Newfield), N.H., Apl. 24, 1833; s. Enos and Grace; physician; en. and m. Aug. 24, '63; 3 y. R. 2, H. Artil., assist. surgeon; d. Nov. 1, '64.

HOYT, ALPHEUS E.: b. 1837; place, ptge., etc., not given; physician; en. and m. Sept. 25, '63; 3 y. R. 25, assist. surgeon; prom. surgeon, Oct. 21, '64; dis. June 29, '65.

HOYT, MERRILL: b. Enfield, N.H., 1835; s. Moses and Lydia; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 1, '61, Alexandria, Va., disability.

HOYT, WILLIAM W.: b. Keene, Essex Co., N.Y.; date not given; s. Moses and Lydia; en. navy, July 9, '61, seaman; was on steamer "Preble" a while, and then in navy-yard, Pensacola, Fla.; d. yellow-fever, Sept. 21, '63.

HUBBARD, HORTON: b. Chesterfield, N.H., Dec. 5, 1823; s. Eber and Jane; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 6, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; supposed to have been rejected by surgeon for over-age.

HUBON, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1824; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 12, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; wd. in right leg and back, 1st battle Fred'sburg, Va.; dis. Feb. 7, '63, on acct. wounds; en. again, Aug. 11, '63, and m. 22; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil. pri.; ft. Newport Barracks, N.C.; dis. June 1, '64, sergeon's cert. disability.

HUBON, JOHN: b. Ird., 1845; s. Patrick; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

HUBON, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1836; s. Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; was in all the battles with his R. till wd. in the arm, Malvern Hill, and taken prisoner; d. in Richmond Prison, Va., July 22, '62.

HUGHES, PATRICK: b. Co. Armagh, Ird., Sept. 21, 1836; s. Hugh and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Dec. 5, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; no more told.

HUNT, PEARLEY M.: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 10, 1840; s. Leonard and Lucinda; bootmaker; en. July 25, '64, and m. 26; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

HUNT, THOMAS C.: b. 1835; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 11, '63; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 11, '65, exp. ser.

HUNT, EDWIN O.: b. Mil., Mass., July 6, 1847; s. Hiram and Laura Ann; clerk; en. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, musician; stationed Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

HUNTRESS, JOHN: b. Mil., Mass., Dec. 23, 1841; s. Darling and Ruth F.; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. June 26, '62, disability. (Town-clerk not certain whether counted on quota of Milford or Mendon.)

HURLEY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; grocer; en. and m. July 26, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. E, corpl.; k. Sept. 17, '62, at Antietam.

HUSSEY, GEORGE L.: b. 1834; place and ptge not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Jan. 15, '63, disability.

HUTCHINS, MATTHEW: b. 1827; place and ptge. not given; painter; en. and m. Jan. 14, '62; 3 y. R. 1, cavalry, Co. K, recruit, pri.; trans. to Co. K, 4th cavalry; dis. Apl. 20, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day; d. Aug. 23, '64, Hatcher's Run, Va.

HUTCHINS, GEORGE O.: b. May 23, 1840, place not given; s. Harrison and Mary J.; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G,

pri.; prom. corpl. Feb. 1, '62, sergt. Aug. 1, '63; ft. siege Yorktown, and at Fair Oaks, Peach Orchard, Charles City Cross Roads, Malvern Hill, and 2d Bull Run; taken prisoner, paroled, and rejoined R. Dec. 27, '62; ft. Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Manassas Gap, Kelley's Ford, Locust Grove, Wilderness, Todd's Tavern, Laurel Hill, Spottsylvania, Pamunkey River, North Anna, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg; dis. Aug. '64, Petersburg, Va., exp. ser.

HYNES, MICHAEL: b. Co. Clare, Ird., 1833; s. John and Artilda; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 3, Co. C, U. S. Infantry, reg. army, pri.; ft. 1st Bull Run, and taken prisoner; imprisoned 2 mos. in Libby Prison at Richmond, Va., 4 mos. New Orleans, and 5 mos. Saulsbury, N.C.; then paroled, rejoined R., and afterwards ft. at Gettysburg; never wd.; character indorsed on discharge-paper, "good and honest."

IDE, TIMOTHY N.: b. Temple, N.H., 1822; s. George and Lydia; blacksmith; en. and m. Sept. 25, '62, 9 m. R. 51, Co. K, sergt.; m. out with his R. July 27, '63, exp. ser.

INMAN, HIRAM B.: b. Blackstone, Mass., 1843; s. Jonathan and Alcy; mason; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds., Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

JEFFERDS, LYSANDER: b. Dixfield, Me., 1822; s. Rufus and Susan L.; carpenter; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, band musician; dis. Aug. 11, '62, camp near Harrison's Bar, Va.

JEFFERS, JOHN: b. Co. Mayo, Ird., 1836; s. Patrick and Sarah; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. at Gettysburg, July 2, '63, and there wd. in breast by musket-ball; afterwards ft. Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, White Oak Swamp, Malvern Hill, Chantilly, 1st Fred'sburg, and Chancellorsville; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser; en. again and m. Dec. 1, '64, 3 y. R. 12, Co. E, Vet. Res. Corps, pri.; dis. Nov. 15, '65, Gen. Order War Dept.

JEFFERSON, PETER: b. Canada East, Dist. Montreal, May 21, 1832; s. Joseph and Anstatia; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, May 5, '62, and had little finger shot from left hand; ft. 2d Bull Run, and Chancellorsville; taken prisoner at last-named place, May 2, '63, and carried to Richmond, Va.; exchanged Sept. 1, '63, but taken prisoner again, Oct. 23 ensuing, and back to Richmond; paroled May 8, '64; dis. June 20, following, exp. ser.

JENKINS, MARTIN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1836; s. Michael and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, sergt.; ft. in all the battles of the R. and never wd; m. out with R. June 1, '64, at Boston; en. and m. again Dec. 15, '64; 1 y. R. 61, Co. H, pri.; prom. sergt. Mar. 3, '65, after battle Petersburg, Va., during May preceding; m. out with R., Arlington Heights, July 16, '65.

JEWELL, FRANKLIN B.: b. Monmouth, Me., July 3, 1835; s. Robert and Nicy; clerk; en. Apl. 1, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. May 1, '62, at Alexandria, Va.

JOHNSON, ISAAC: b. 1835; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; trans. May 30, '64, to Vet. Res. Corps.

JOHNSON, WILLIAM: b. Co. Mayo, Ird., May 8, 1830; s. Edward M. and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Nov. 7, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; ft. Plymouth, N.C., and taken prisoner to Andersonville, Ga., where he d. of starvation about June 17, '64.

JOHNSON, FRANCIS A.: b. Franklin, Mass., Mar. 22, 1828; s. Warren and Eliza; bootmaker; en. Apl., '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, 1st

lieut.; trans. to Co. A, and prom. capt., Nov. 28, '61; ft. Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Charles City Cross Roads, Robinson's Field, 2d Bull Run, and Fred'sburg, all between Aug. 29 and Dec. 14, '62; dis. May 13, '63, disability.

JOHNSON, WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON: b. Mil., Mass., Apl. 10, 1840; s. Lewis and Sally G.; clerk; en. June, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, corpl.; prom. sergt. Mar. 26, '62, 2d lieut. Co. D, Nov. 25, same y., and to 1st lieut. Co. G, Feb. 3, '63; ft. in all the engagements of his Co. till death; wd. in battle of Fred'sburg, and k. in that of Gettysburg, July 2, '63.

JOHNSON, NAPOLEON B.: b. Mil., Mass., July 27, 1828; s. Lewis and Sally G.; clerk; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Dec. 11, '62, Jackson, Miss., July 11 and 14, '62; detailed to Ambulance Corps Sept. 9, '63; returned to R. Feb. 1, '64; ft. Wilderness, Va., May 6, '64, Spottsylvania, May 12, Cold Harbor, June 3, and was with his R. before Petersburg, Va., from July 5, '64, to evacuation Apl. 2, '65; dis. with his R. June 8, '65.

JOHNSON, WILLIAM E.: b. 1837; place and parentage not given; tailor; en. and m. July 7, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. K, recruit; dis. Nov. 1, '62, disability.

JOHNSON, EDWARD E.; b. 1835; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. B, pri.; k. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62.

JOHNSON, DANIEL R., jun.: b. 1839; place not given; s. Daniel R.; bootmaker; en. July 1, '61, and m. 3; 3 y. R. 3, Co. M, pri.; trans. Nov. 14, '61, to R. 29, Co. B; ft. in the 7 ds. fight; dis. Dec. 4, '62, Camp Falmouth, Va., by reason of foreign substance in his knee-joint.

JOHNSON, CHARLES W.: b. Medway, Mass., Feb. 4, 1837; s. Warren and Eliza; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, corpl.; prom. sergt. Jan. 1, '63; ft. Williamsburg, North Anna, Spottsylvania, and Fred'sburg; wd. in the last-named battle; dis. June 26, '64, exp. ser.

JOHNSON, ALVA L.: b. Northbridge, Mass., June 20, 1842; s. Daniel R. and Lutheria A.; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. at Yorktown, Williamsburg, Bolton Bridge, and Fair Oaks; k. Malvern Hill, July 1, '62.

JOHNSON, WILLIAM: b. 1837; place and ptge. not given; tailor; drafted Aug. 27, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. F; deserted Nov. 27, '63.

JOHNSON, NICHOLAS B.: b. 1842; place not given; s. Nicholas W.; butcher; en. Aug. 24, '61, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 18, Co. I, pri.; dis. Sept. 2, '64, exp. ser.

JOHNSON, FRANCIS A.: b. Franklin, Mass., Mar. 22, 1828; s. Warren and Eliza; bootmaker; once already entered above in a former ser.; en. and m. again Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, capt.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

JONES, EDWARD B.: b. Winthrop, Me., 1844; s. Edward and Roxana; farmer; appears to have ser. somewhere under a former en.; en. Mil., Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

JONES, PATRICK: b. Ird., Sept., 1840; s. Patrick and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. C, pri.; ft. 2d Bull Run, So. Mountain, Shepardstown, 1st Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Culpeper, Bristow's Station, Mine Run, Laurel Hill, and Spottsylvania; at last-named place, wd. across left kidney by a minie-ball; dis. June 21, '64, Boston, Mass., exp. ser.

JONES, GEORGE C.: b. Mil., Mass., May 15, 1836; s. John and Malinda; farmer; en. Aug. 14, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. C, pri.; trans. May 31, '64, to Vet. Res. Corps.

JONES, THEODORE: b. 1840; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

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JORDAN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; d. from fatigue, June 1, '62.

JOURDAN, JOHN: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1839; s. Daniel and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Dec. 28, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; wd. in leg near ankle, and dis. June 14, '65, order War Dept.

JOURDAN, JAMES: b. Ird., about 1832; s. Daniel and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. July 25, '63 (as substitute for William Jourdan), 3 y. R. 12, Co. F, pri.; k. Spottsylvania, Va., May 12, '64.

KANE, JOHN, *alias* Cain: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1836; s. Michael and Margaret; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. Hanover Ct. House, Fair Oaks, Gaines's Mill, White-oak Swamp, and Malvern Hill; wd. at last-named, in left arm and side; dis. Nov. 9, '62, on acct. of his wds., at Washington, D.C.

KANE, EDWARD: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. June 11, '64 to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co.; he seems to have been on the quota Roxbury, Mass.; dis. July 29, '65, exp. ser.

KANE, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1821; s. Thomas and Penella; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; d. hospl., Alexandria, Va., chron. diarrhœa, Dec. 9 or 12, '62.

KANE, TIMOTHY: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Mar. 20, 1837; s. Patrick and Catherine; tailor; en. Oct. 14, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, So. Mountain, and Fred'sburg; dis. Jan. 14, '62, hospl., Washington, D.C., disability. Drafted Aug. 28, '63, R. 22, Co. F; trans. R. 32, infty., Co. I., Oct. 26, '64; deserted Nov. 3 ensuing.

KAIJHLEN, WILLIAM: b. 1842; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 22, '61; 3 y. R. 17, Co. H, pri.; no further known.

KAY, JOHN: b. 1822; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 28, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. A, pri.; d. Apl. 29, '65, Washington, D.C.

KEAN, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Nov. 9, '62, disability.

KEARNS, PETER: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., 1837; s. Owen and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 57, Co. H, a recruit, pri.; no further known.

KEATING, CORNELIUS: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; tailor; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y R. 28, Co. K, drummer; dis. Dec. 19, '64, exp. ser.

KEATING, MICHAEL: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; painter; en. Sept. 7, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp; dis. Jan. 2, '64, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.; which he did same day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co. Trans. Sept. 18, '64, Vet. Res. Corps.

KEEFE, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1839; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. June 20, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, cavalry; dis. July 20, '65, exp. ser.

KEENAN, JOHN: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; bootmaker; en. July 26, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; k. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor, Va.

KEENAN, HUGH: b. Ayrshire, Scot., about 1824; s. Hugh and Alice; marble-worker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Fort Schuyler Hospl., Feb. 11, '63, of dropsy.

KEENAN, MARTIN: b. Ayrshire, Scot., 1820; s. Hugh and Alice; tailor; en. Aug. 28, '63, and m. Oct. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; m. out with Co., close of war, Sept. 3, '65.

KEEN, AUGUSTUS W.: b. Taunton, Mass., Mar. 19, 1840; s. Seth H. and Isa-

bella; painter; en. June 27, '61, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl., June 1, '62; sergt., Dec. 1, '62; 2d lieut., Feb. 23, '63; 1st lieut., Aug. 17, '63; capt. Co. H, 40 N.Y. R., Oct. 7, '64; major of that R., Dec. 30, '64; and brevet-major U.S.V., Apl. 6, '65; ft. in all the engagements of R., except Chancellorsville; wd. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '63, by musket-ball through left hip, and also by musket-ball through left arm; wd. twice at Spottsylvania Ct. House, May 12, '64, by musket-balls, left foot and in head. Dis., New York, July 7, '65, close of war.

KELIHER, JOHN: b. Ird., 1838; s. Thomas and Mary; en. and m. Jan. 1, '64; 3 y. R. 57, no Co. given, pri.; nothing more told.

KELIHER, WILLIAM J.: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 22, '61; 3 y. R. 17, Co. H, pri.; dis. Dec. 24, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., corpl.; dis. from Co. E, July 11, '65, exp. ser.

KELLEY, MARCUS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1838; s. Thomas and Hannah; bootmaker; en. Dec. 4, '63, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., a recruit, pri.; taken prisoner at Plymouth, N.C.; d. Andersonville Prison, Ga., Sept., '64, of scurvy, chron. d., and dropsy.

KELLY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted July 1, '63.

KELLY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1838; ptge, etc., not given; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Aug. 24, '62, to enlist in U.S. Army.

KELLY, JAMES: b. Ird., 1833; s. Thomas and Winneford; laborer; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; with his Co. in all engagements, till taken prisoner at Malvern Hill; confined Richmond, Va., 6 weeks; then escaped, went to hospl., N.Y., and was thence dis. Dec. 23, '62, disability.

KELLEY, PATRICK: b. Ird., about 1839; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 7, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. A, H. Artil., pri.; trans. Dec. 16, '64, to R. 17, infty., Co. H; dis. June 30, '65, order War Dept.

KELLEY, ANDREW: b. 1845; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

KELLY, PATRICK J.: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 28, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. D, pri.; dis. Feb. 28, '63, disability.

KEMP, GEORGE H.: b. 1835; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 20, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

KENDALL, GEORGE L.: b. Medway, Mass., June 10, 1838; s. Lyman and Nancy; butcher; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. with his Co. Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Chantilly, 1st Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, Wiltons, No. Anna River, and Petersburg; dis. with his comrades, June 27, '64, front Petersburg, exp. ser.

KENNEDY, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Mar. 14, 1823; s. Michael and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Oct. 11, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, Chantilly, and Antietam; dis. Dec. 3, '62, Union Hospl., Georgetown, disability.

KENNEDY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1832; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; nothing further recorded.

KENNEDY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1828; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; never left the State.

KENNEDY, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1827; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Dec. 1, '62, disability.

KENNEY, THOMAS T.: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; d. of wds., Sept. 17, '62.

KENNEY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1841; ptge., etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 3, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did the next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., corpl.; k., May 12, '64, battle Spottsylvania, Va.

KENNEY, JOHN: b. Ird., 1818; s. Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

KIMBALL, ISRAEL D.: b. Charlestown, Mass., Sept. 5, 1838; s. Alfred and Margery; currier; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. Oct. 25, '62, and sergt. May 10, '63; ft. Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Robinson's Fields, Charles City Cross Roads, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, 1st Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Kelley's Ford, and Locust Grove; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser. En. and m. again, Aug. 25, '64, 3 y., Vet. Res. Corps; dis. Nov. 20, '65, exp. ser.

KNIGHT, GEORGE W.: b. Uxbridge, Mass., Feb. 20, 1841; s. William and Minerva W.; machinist; en. and m. Sept. 1, '64; 1 y. R. 2, H. Artil., pri.; trans. Feb., '65, to R. 17, Co. G.; detailed for hospl. ser., Newbern, N.C.; dis. June 30, '65.

KNIGHT, JAMES F.: b. Manchester, Mass., 1835; ptge. not given; upholsterer; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, corpl.; dis. Jan. 3, '63, disability.

KNOWLES, CHARLES W.: b. Norton, Mass., May 19, 1828; s. William and Almira; carpenter; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, Co. H, pri.; prom. corpl. and then color-sergt.; ft. in all the battles of his R. except Antietam; m. out with the R., June 27, '64.

KNOWLTON, WILLIAM H.: b. Dover, Apl. 13, 1843; s. Henry and Angeline B.; butcher; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

KRUM, SYLVESTER P.: b. Ghent, N.Y., 1826; s. Martin and Margaret; stationary engineer; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, sergt.; ft. Roanoke Island, and Newbern, N.C.; dis. July 11, '63, disability.

LAHEY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 20, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. Oct. 24, '62, Fortress Monroe, Va., disability. Again en. and m. Sept. 17, '64; 3 y. R. 10, Co. H, Vet. Res. Corps, pri.; dis. Nov. 15, '65, Washington, D.C., close of war.

LAHEY, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1828; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Mar. 14, '65; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, cavalry, pri.; dis. July 20, '65, close of war.

LALLY, MICHAEL: b. Co. Kings, Ird., 1843; s. Michael and Ann; bootmaker; en. Feb. 4, '64, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 57, Co. I, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, absent sick, exp. ser.

LANEY, JAMES: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1820; s. John and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 14, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; nothing further recorded.

LANERGAN, ALBERT: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

LAPHAM, JAMES M.: b. 1827; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. Aug. 7, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 8, '65, Baltimore, Md., by Gen. Order.

LAPORT, LOUIS: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 23, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

LARKIN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Dec. 31, '62, disability.

LARKIN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1843; s. Martin and Catherine; bootmaker; en.

and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; k. Fair Oaks, June 1, '62; in all the battles of R. till k.

LAVIN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., about 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Sept. 1, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, June, '62; Bull Run, Aug. 30, '62, and wd. by musket-ball through left wrist; dis. Oct. 31, '62, on acct. wd.

LAWTON, THOMAS B.: b. 1837; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

LEGESEY, JOSEPH: b. Montreal, Can., 1838; s. Louis and Mary; bootmaker; en. June 9, '62, and m. July 13; 3 y. R. 34, Co. E, pri.; dis. Dec. 20, '62, disability. Re-en. Mar. 30, '64; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; trans. June 25, '65, to R. 56, infty.; dis. June 22, '65, order War Dept.

LEGG, EDWIN: b. Douglas, Mass., June 17, 1837; s. Caleb and Lydia; bootmaker; en. July 22, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, 1st sergt.; dis. Jan. 7, '63, disability. Re-en. and m. Aug. 25, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., 2d lieut.; dis. Sept., '64, disability.

LEINES, DENNIS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1819; s. William and Ann; laborer; en. Dec. 6, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 67, Co. B, pri.; dis. June 28, '65, Gen. Hospl., Phila., close of war.

LELAND, FRANCIS: b. Sherborn, Mass., Dec. 26, 1818; s. Joseph P. and Tryphena; physician; en. and m. Oct. 11, '61; 3 y. R. 2, surgeon; taken prisoner during Banks's retreat, June, '62; wd. in bat. of Cedar Mountain, over left eye, Aug. 9, '62; at Antietam the following Sept., after which taken sick and res.; honorably dis. Oct. 24, '62.

LEONARD, NEWTON: b. Woodstock, Vt., 1831; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Nov. 27, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; dis. July 13, '65, disability.

LEONARD, LAWRENCE: b. Ird., 1833; s. Thomas and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; d. Winchester, Va., Apl. 4, '62, of wds. recd. in battle.

LEONARD, REUBEN F.: b. Douglas, Mass., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. Oct. 15, '61; ft. in Pioneer Corps, Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, to re-en.

LEONARD, JOHN, jun.: b. Boston, Mass., Sept. 3, 1842; s. John and Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 25, '64; 3 y. R. 59, Co. G, pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Laurel Hill, Poplar Grove, Fort Stedman; wd. in mouth by piece of shell; prom. March 4, '64, corpl., and to sergt., Jan. 1, '65; detailed hospl. guard, May, '64, and returned to R. about Sept.; dis. May 18, '65.

LEONARD, JAMES B.: b. Middleborough, Mass., 1841; s. Daniel F. and Harriet; clerk; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, 1st sergt.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

LESEUR, WILLIAM R.: b. Mil., Mass., May 18, 1844; s. William and Clarissa; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 29, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. A, pri.; ft. Drury's Bluff, Cobb's Hill, and Cold Harbor; taken prisoner at the last-named place, June 3, '64, and paroled at Savannah, Ga., Nov. 24, '64; dis. June, 29, '64, order War Dept.

LEWIS, CHARLES A.: b. Uxbridge, Mass., Dec. 12, 1835; s. William H. and Lydia; carpenter; en. Sept. 9, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. Jan. 18, '64, to re-en.; which he did same day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.;

ft. again at Pocahontas, Havefield Church, Drury's Bluff, and siege Petersburg, Va.; dis. Charlotte, N.C., July 13, '65, close of war.

LEYDEN, JOHN: b. Co. Sligo, Ird., about 1817; s. Hugh and Bridget; bootmaker; en. July 23, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 8, '65, Baltimore, Md., order War Dept.

LINDOP, WILLIAM B.: b. 1830; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 14, '62, and m. 15; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, cavalry recruit, pri.; dis. June 10, '63, disability.

LINDSAY, PERRY ALLEN: b. Upton, Mass., Nov. 22, 1839; s. William and Augusta S.; clerk; en. Mar. '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, capt.; prom. maj., Aug. 12, '62, and lieut.-col., Feb. 23, '63; ft. Fair Oaks, June, '62, 7 ds. fight, Charles City Cross Roads, Malvern Hill, Harrison's Landing, Manassas Junction, Manassas Plain, Chantilly, and Fred'sburg, all in '62; dis. July 7, '63, disability.

LITTLE, BENJAMIN F.: b. 1837; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

LITTLEFIELD, AMMIEL: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Apl. 7, 1826; s. Daniel and Lucy; stone-cutter; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., and Jackson, Miss.; in hospl. Crab Orchard, Ky., about six mo.; ft. again Wilderness, May 6, and then at Spottsylvania, where he was wd. by a ball through right ear; ft. again Poplar Grove Church, Sept. 30, '64; prom. sergt. May 16, '65; dis. June 8, '65, near Alexandria, Va., close of war.

LITTLEFIELD, ALBERT E.: b. Mil., Mass., Aug. 23, 1842; s. Abel and Mary; farmer; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 15; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. Dec. 1, '63, at Newport News, Va., to re-en.; which he did same day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; d. of wds. recd. in battle, June 6, '64, at Hampton, Va.

LITTLEWOOD, FRANK A.: b. 1842, place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. May 20, '63, and m. June 6; 3 y. R. 1, Battalion H, artil., Co. D, sergt.; retd. Oct. 13, '64, to R. 2, I.V., as a deserter.

LONG, THOMAS: b. Co. Sligo, Ird., Dec., 1844; s. Dominic and Honora; bootmaker; en. Feb. 11, '64, and m. 20; 3 y. R. 59, Co. F, pri.; no further record.

LOOBY, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 30, '62; 3 y. R. 1, cavalry recruit, pri.; deserted Camp Cameron, Cambridge, Mass., Aug., '63, and enlisted in a N.Y. R.

LOTHROP, FRANCIS: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 16, '61; 3 y. R. 26, Co. K, pri.; dis. July 29, '63, disability.

LOWE, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Mar. 20, '63, disability.

LOWERY, PATRICK: b. Co. Mayo, Ird., 1839; s. Patrick and Catherine; bootmaker; en. June, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, Culpeper, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, then shot through left leg below knee; dis. Dec. 11, '62, Washington, D.C., disability; en. again and m. Nov. 21, '64; Invalid Corps, Wash., D.C., dis. June 1, '65.

LUDDY, SIMON: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker, en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; trans. to Invalid Corps on acct. wds. at Charles-City Cross Roads, and d. '65, of his wds.

LYNES, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1840; s. Fergus and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 6, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Jan. 11, '64, disability.

LYMES, MARTIN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1843; s. Fergus and Mary; bootmaker en. and m. Aug. 6, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; nothing more.

LYON, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Aug., 1837; s. Dennis and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Nov. 16, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, sergt.; d. in hospl., Baton Rouge, La., Apl. 11, '63.

MCANANY, JOHN: b. Co. Monaghan, Ird., 1836; s. Orson and Charlotte; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. 1st Bull Run; dis. Oct. 29, '61, near Fall's Church, Va., varicose veins.

MCANARY, JAMES: b. 1836; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 7, '61; 3 y. R. 19, unassigned, pri.; nothing more told.

MCARDLE, JOHN: b. Ird., 1830; s. Culla and Ann; marble-cutter; en. Aug. 7, '62, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Mar. 18, '63, disability.

MCCARTER, JOHN G.: b. Jackson, N.H., Jan. 2, 1835; s. Robert and Sophia; carpenter; en. Sept. 5, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, 1st sergt.; prom. 2d lieut. Apl. 15, '62, 1st lieut. Nov. 4, '62; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Old Town Creek, Drury's Bluff, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg; never wd.; m. out Oct. 20, '64, exp. ser.

MCCARTHY, JOHN: b. Cork, Ird., Dec. 12, 1846; s. Daniel and Margaret; bootmaker; en. in naval ser. Feb. 23, '64, seaman, with consent of Patrick McGarry, his guardian; no more told.

MCCARTY, DENNIS: b. 1844; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 24, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

MCCARTY, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

MCCORMICK, TIMOTHY: b. Co. Kilkenny, Ird., 1829; s. Timothy and Margaret; painter; en. and m. Dec. 23, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, 2d Bull Run, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg; wd. Bull Run, through muscle right arm; m. out Dec. 19, '64, Boston, Mass.

MCCOWAN, JAMES: b. Ird., 1830; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, corpl.; d. Oct. 5, '64, Beaufort, N.C.

MCDERMOTT, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., July, 1815; s. Michael and Jane; laborer; en. Nov. 21, '63, and m. Dec. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, pri.; ft. at Plymouth, N.C.; taken prisoner to Andersonville, Ga., where he d. of starvation, Aug. 17, '64.

MCDERMOTT, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1820; s. Francis and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 23, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. E, pri.; no more recorded.

MCDONALD, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1825; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; never joined R.; held by civil authority.

MCDONALD, DANIEL: b. Prince Edward's, Can., 1835; s. Charles and Sarah Jane; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; prom. corpl., and k. battle Wilderness, May 6, '64.

MCDONALD, JOHN: b. Co. Queens, Ird., about 1825; s. James and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 10, '60; 5 y. R. 1, Co. H, U.S. Infty., pri.; ft. on the Mississippi River, at New Madrid, Island No. 10, Purdy, Farmington, and Corinth, all in '62; also at Black River and Vicksburg, '63; dis. Nov. 9, '63, St. Louis, on acct. fracture left tibia by falling from an ammunition-wagon.

MCDONALD, JOHN: b. 1834; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

MCEPHRAIM, JAMES: b. Co. Donegal, Ird., 1830; s. Daniel and Bridget; laborer; en. Dec. 3, '63, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 2, Co. I, pri.; d. Newbern, N.C., yellow fever, Oct. 21, '64.

MCGAHEY, PATRICK: b. Monaghan, Ird., 1839; s. Owen and Mary; bootmaker; en. in naval ser. Jan. 26, '64, landsman, on board "The Osceola;" ft. in

battle of Fort Fisher; dis. in 1 y., exp. ser.; he had previously served under a 3 y. en. for Blackstone, from July 5, '61, in R. 15, Co. K, 23 mo., but was dis. therefrom for disability.

McGEE, MARTIN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, corpl.; deserted Aug. 22, '62.

McGLONE, HUGH: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. A, pri.; k. battle Malvern Hill, July 1, '62.

McGLONE, CHARLES: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. A, pri.; dis. Feb. 24, '63, disability.

McGONAGLE, PHILIP: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 30, and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, corpl.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., corpl.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

McGOVERN, JAMES: b. Holliston, Mass., Oct. 11, 1840; s. Edward and Sarah; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; wd. in leg, battle Gaines's Mill; taken prisoner to Richmond for about 5 weeks; released and conveyed to hospital, Newport News, where he had leg amputated, but died in consequence, Aug. 7, '62.

McGOWAN, JAMES: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Mar. 25, '63, disability.

McGRATH, JOHN: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; laborer; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

McGUIRE, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 15, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, corpl.; dis. Feb. 28, '63, disability.

McGULLEON, PATRICK: b. 1841; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

McHENRY, DANIEL: b. Co. Derry, Ird., 1820; s. Patrick and Sarah; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 12, '64; 3 y. R. 16, no Co. named, pri.; nothing more told.

McKEAGUE, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., about 1820; s. Francis and Bridget; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

McKEAGUE, MARTIN: b. Ird., about 1844; s. Patrick; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

McKENNA, JAMES: b. Ird., 1831; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; trans. to Invalid Corps, Sept. 7, '63; m. into Hancock's U. S. Vet. Vol. Corps, Mar. 16, '65.

McKENNA, OWEN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 28, Co. not named, pri.; nothing more recorded.

McMAHAN, MICHAEL B.: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Mar. 1, '62, disability.

McKIM, PATRICK; b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; deserted Oct. 29, '62.

McNALLY, or ENNALLY, JAMES: b. Ird., about 1836; s. Susan; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '61, and m. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Feb. 7, '63, disability.

McNEIL, JAMES: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 11, '64, exp. ser.

McTEAGUE, DOMINIC: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 14, 1844; s. Simon and Caroline; farmer; drafted, and then en. July 30, '63; 3 y. R. 19, Co. A, pri.; ft. in 17 battles; wd. Malvern Hill in right foot; trans. Jan. 14, '64, to R. 20, Co. A; d. hospital, Alexandria, Va., June 27, '64.

McTEAGUE, JAMES: b. Mil., Mass., 1845; s. Simon and Caroline; farmer; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 2, H. Artil., Co. E, corpl.; dis. June 24, '65, exp. ser.

MACY, EDWARD B.: b. Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 25, 1843; s. Frederick C. and Lydia B.; clerk; en. Aug. 9, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., '62, and Jackson, Miss., '63; dis. Nov. 23, '63, disability.

MADDEN, AMOS L.: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 2, 1846; s. Africa and Triphena; farmer; en. May 21, '61, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, pri.; ft. Winchester, Va., May 25, '62; Cedar Mountain, Aug. 9 ensuing; Chancellorsville, May 3, '63; also same year Beverly Ford and Gettysburg; prom. corpl., July 3, '63; wd. in neck at Cedar Mountain, and in stomach by a ball at Chancellorsville; ft. again at Resaca, Ga., May 14, '64; m. out at Chattanooga, May 28, '64.

MADDEN, HENRY N.: b. Mina, N.Y., Nov. 29, 1839; s. Asia and Sally; farmer; en. Sept. 17, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; dis. at Newbern, Mar. 12, '63, disability.

MADDEN, PATRICK: b. 1845; place not given; s. James, farmer; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 3 y. R. 1, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Oct. 5, '64, exp. ser.

MAGEE, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 26, '61, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 19, Co. E, pri.; dis. Dec. 24, '62, disability. En. again Sept. 5, '63, and m. Oct. 5; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N. C., close of war.

MAGRATH, JOHN: b. Ird., 1835; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 2, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Cavalry, no Co. named, pri.; nothing further given.

MAHAN, WALTER: b. 1836; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 13, '62; 3 y. R. 34, Co. E, pri.; d. Cumberland, Md., Aug. 24, '64.

MAHAN, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1828; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 28, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, no Co. named, pri.; dis. June 29, '64, rejected recruit.

MALONY, OWEN: b. Ird., 1828; ptge. not given; machinist; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 9 m. R. 55, M.V.M., Co. C, pri.; trans. to R. 48, and dis. before the R. went to war. En. and m. again Aug. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

MANN, NOYES, jun.: b. Sherborn, Mass., June 9, 1833; s. Noyes and Louisa; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; prom. corpl., Feb. 1, '63; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., '62, and Jackson, Miss., '63; d. Knoxville, Tenn., April 27, '64.

MANN, ALBERT O.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

MANLY, CHARLES: b. Little Compton, R. I., Oct. 20, 1841; s. William and Abby; seaman; after a previous ser. for his native town, en. Nov. 19, '64, here, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

MARKIN, THOMAS: b. 1840; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 24, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

MARRS, FRANCIS: b. 1830; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 30, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

MARSHALL, GEORGE H.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Sept. 14, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N. C.; dis. Newbern, Mar. 12, '63, disability.

MARSHALL, EDWARD M.: b. Nantucket, Mass., July 27, 1827; s. Obed and Eunice; jeweller; en. April, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. July 1, '61, quartermaster's sergt. Nov. 1, '62, 1st lieut. and qr.-mr. Aug. 17, '63; dis. Petersburg, Va., Sept. 1, '64, disability.

MARSHALL, HORATIO P.: b. 1836; place and ptge. not given; mechanic; en. and m. Sept. 13, '62; 9 mo. R. 42, Co. F, pri.; dis. Aug. 20, '63, exp. ser.

MARTIN, WILLIAM G.: b. Co. Waterford, Ird., June 20, 1840; s. Joseph and Mary; bootmaker; en. July 31, '62, and m. Aug. 1; 3 y. R. 1 Cavalry, Co. D, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec., '62; dis. Jan. 22, '63, disability. En. again Mar. 11, '64, and m. April 6; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; ft. Wilderness and Spottsylvania Cross Roads; wd. May 12, '65, by two balls through left hand, piece of shell in right side, and by a ball in right side of breast, all during same day; dis. July 24, '65.

MASON, JAMES M.: b. 1838; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 1, '61; 3 y. R. 16, Co. B, capt.; resigned and dis. July 5, '62. En. again Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, capt.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

MASON, GEORGE H.: b. Mil., Mass., June 27, 1838; s. Noah and Cynthia; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl. Nov. 23, '62; wd. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser.

MASON, JOHN Q.: b. Mendon, Mass., April 13, 1823; s. John and Martha; farmer; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Whitehall, Kinston, and Goldsboro', N. C., all in '62. En. again Jan. 18, '64; 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; ft. Cold Harbor, Cobb's Hill, and Drury's Bluff; dis. June 6, '65, hospital, Newbern, N. C., disability.

MATHER, SAMUEL A.: b. Winstead, Ct., April 28, 1828; s. John and Orvillai; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; trans. to Invalid Corps July 1, '63. En. and m. Aug. 15, '64; 3 y., same R. and Co., pri.; dis. June 11, '65, exp. ser.

MATHER, FREDERICK A.: b. Canaan, Ct., Dec. 6, 1826; s. John and Orvillai; en. and m. Aug. 15, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. June 11, '65, exp. ser.

MATTHEWS, ALBERT E.: b. Co. Kilkenny, Ird., Feb. 14, 1834; s. Rogerson and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 1 Cavalry, Co. H, pri.; ft. first Fred'sburg '62, and same place again '63, at Chancellorsville, Aldie, Kelly's Ford, Gettysburg, Meade's retreat, Oct., '63, Bristol Station, Rappahannock, and Gordonsville, Nov., '63; at the last-named place wd. in right arm by ball; dis. Nov. 11, '64, exp. ser. En. again Dec. 29, '64; 1 y. Battalion 1 Frontier Cavalry, 2d lieut.; prom. 1st lieut. April 15, '65; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

MATTHEWS, WILLIAM H.: b. 1840; place and ptge. not given; spinner; drafted Aug. 11, '63; 3 y. R. 28, Co. C, pri.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

MAYNARD, GEORGE L.: b. Hingham, Mass., April 4, 1842; s. Lyman and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Nov. 23, '63, Boston, Mass., disability.

MEADE, FRANK W.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 4, 1846; s. Abraham and Mary; clerk; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

MEAGHER, FRANCIS: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; deserted Oct. 29, '62.

MEEKAN, BERNARD: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1824; s. Bernard and Catherine; bootmaker; en Dec. 3, '63, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; taken prisoner at battle Plymouth, N. C., and d. of starvation at Andersonville, Ga., about middle Aug., '64.

MELIA, EDWARD: b. Ird., about 1834; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; deserted Nov. 10, '62.

MERRILL, JOHN G.: b. 1821; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 23, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artillery, pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

MESSENGER, DANIEL E.: b. Mendon, Mass., Jan. 1, 1826; s. John and Sarah;

machinist; en. Aug. 14, '62, and m. 15; 3 y. R. 1, Co. H, cavalry recruit, pri.; ft. Cross Roads, Md., New Hope Church, Wilderness, with Sheridan to James River, at Malvern Hill, Glendale, Barnes's Station, and on Weldon Railroad; dis. Boston, Mass., Nov. 7, '64, exp. ser.

MIETTE, OLIVER: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 11, '63; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 24, '65, exp. ser.

MILAN, JOHN: b. Co. Galway, Ird., July, 1833; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. or deserted Feb. 2, '62. En. again Dec. 3, '63, and m. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., recruit, pri.; d. in prison, Andersonville, Ga., from starvation, July, '64.

MILAN, MICHAEL: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1824; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, Bull Run, Aug. 30, '62, South Mountain, Antietam, Fred'sburg Dec. 13, '62, Chancellorsville, May, '63, and Gettysburg; wd. at last-named place by ball in left leg below the knee; dis. June 3, '64, on acct. wds.

MILAN, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1819; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. in battles above named along with his bro. Michael; wd. 5 times in battle Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62; in hospl. several months; then returned to Milford, where he d. of his wds. Sept. 22, '65.

MILON, JAMES: b. 1845; place not given; s. Thomas; shoemaker; en. and m. Aug. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Aug. 24, '65, exp. ser.

MILLER, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1824; s. William and Honora; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed in Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

MINTURN, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1833; s. Thomas and Honora; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 28, '61; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; ft. Ball's Bluff, Fair Oaks, Yorktown, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, and Antietam; injured right leg below the knee in the conflict at Antietam; dis. Falmouth, Va., Dec. 10, '62, disability.

MITCHELL, RILEY: b. 1817; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. July 21, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Alexandria, Va., Feb. 11, '63.

MITCHELL, MARCUS M.: b. in the State of Maine, 1839; ptge. not given; farmer; en. Sept. 28, '62, and m. Oct. 14; 9 mo. R. 51, Co. I, pri.; d. Newbern, N.C., Jan. 28, '63.

MONAHAN, BERNARD: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, pri.; trans. Aug. 1, '63, to R. 14, Vet. Res. Corps.

MONTAGUE, BENJAMIN H.: b. Worcester, Mass., May 16, 1831; s. Eliza and Theodotia; bootmaker; en. Aug. 5, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, corpl.; ft. 1st Fred'sburg, Va., Jackson, and Vicksburg, Miss., Blue Springs, Campbell's, and siege of Knoxville, Tenn., Spottsylvania, North Anna, and Cold Harbor, Va.; at C. Harbor, wd. in right arm above elbow, resulting in non-union of the bone; prom. sergt. May 31, '63; dis. Mar. 19, '65, Washington, D.C., on acct. of his wd. arm.

MOOHER, WILLIAM: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., 1838; s. John and Bridget; farmer; en. Dec. 26, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

MOONEY, DENNIS: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Oct. 31, '62, disability.

MOORE, JOHN: b. Co. Roscommon, Ird., Aug. 15, 1845; s. Mark and Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. (in Boston, but counted for Mil.) Feb. 2, '64; 3 y. R. 4,

Co. H, cavalry, pri.; ft. before Petersburg, Va., Chapin's Farm, Deep Bottom, 2d Fair Oaks, and High Bridge; dis. Nov. 14, '65, near Richmond, Va., close of war.

MOORE, JOHN, jun.: b. 1835; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 1, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

MOORE, JAMES C.: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; farmer; en. and m. Jan. 24, '62, pri.; deserted.

MOORE, JOHN F.: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 24, '62; 3 y. R. 15, Co. H, pri.; deserted.

MOORE, JOHN: b. Ird., 1821; s. John and Margaret; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island, S.C., June 16, '62, and Bull Run, Aug. 30, '62, being wd. in leg below knee; dis. Gov. Island, N.Y., Mar. 28, '63, disability.

MOOREHOUSE, ROBERT: b. Dublin, Ird., May 31, 1839; s. Henry and Margaret; carpenter; en. naval ser. on board "Sabine," landsman and musician in band; dis. Oct. 4, '62, by Com. Ringgold.

MORRIS, JOHN: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; laborer; en. Oct. 18, '62, and m. Nov. 15; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, sergt.; m. out with R. Sept. 3, '63.

MORRIS, CHARLES M.: b. 1841; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Sept. 13, '62; 9 mo. R. 42, Co. B, pri.; dis. Aug. 20, '63.

MORRISSEY, JOHN: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. F, pri.; d. of wds., Washington, D.C., Mar. 2, '63.

MORSE, HENRY MILTON: b. Mil., Mass., Apl. 2, 1843; s. John E. and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Nov. 17, '63; 3 y. R. 1, cavalry, Co. D, pri.; dis. June 29, '65, exp. ser. This is recorded as his 2d enlistment, but I find not his 1st.

MORSE, EMERSON J.: b. Wrentham, Mass., Sept. 5, 1839; s. John E. and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

MOWRY, GEORGE F.: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 22, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

MOWRY, LEWELLYN: b. Smithfield, R.I., Dec. 18, 1845; s. Scott S. and Sally; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 22, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Drury's Bluff and Cold Harbor; at last-named place wd. by a ball over right eye; dis. Dec. 20, '64, for disability on acct. of wd.

MULLEN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1831; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. May 8, '64.

MULLEN, JAMES: b. Ird., 1831; ptge. not given; tailor; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, sergt.; deserted Feb. 3, '62.

MULLEN, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1843; s. John and Julia; bootmaker; (after serving one enlistment for Abington, Mass.) en. for Mil., Feb. 7, '64, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; ft. Wilderness, and was wd. by musket-ball through left arm; trans. June 10, '64, to R. 32, infty.; dis. June 29, '65, exp. ser.

MURPHY, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Jan. 6, 1830; s. Michael and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 1, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; k. battle Wilderness, May 6, '64.

MURPHY, CORNELIUS: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1845; s. William and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 15, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; k. Petersburg, Va., June 17, '64.

MURPHY, DAVID S.: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Aug. 1, 1845; s. Dennis and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 16, '63, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 1, Light Artil., Battery A, pri.; trans. Mar. 12, '65, to Battery 9, Light Artil.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, No.

Anna, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Mt. Jackson, Cedar Creek, and capture of Petersburg; never wd.; dis. June 6, '65, close of war.

MURPHY, JERRY: b. Ird., 1838; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. June 27, '62, at Gaines's Mill, Va.

MURPHY, THOMAS: b. Watertown, Mass., 1842; s. Martin and Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, pri.; ft. in every battle of his R., and never sick, till k. battle Wilderness, May 5, '64.

MURPHY, EDWARD; b. Ird., 1843; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 23, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. June 23, '63, disability.

MURPHY, JOHN: b. Watertown, Mass., June 29, 1845; s. Martin and Ann; bootmaker; en. Feb. 9, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, pri.; slightly wd. in battle of Wilderness; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

MURPHY, DENNIS: b. Ird., 1843; s. Dennis; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 5, '63; 2 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

MURPHY, JOHN: b., time, place, ptge., etc., omitted; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62 R. 55, M.V.M., Co. C, pri.; trans. to R. 48, but never left the State.

MURPHY, PATRICK E.: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Nov. 25, 1840; s. Edward and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. not given, sergt.; prom. qr.-mr. sergt. Feb. 26, '62, 2d lieut. Sept. 26, '62, and 1st lieut. Feb. 8, '63; ft. Hanover Ct. House, Mechanicsville, Gaines's Mill, Malvern Hill, Chickahominy, 1st and 2d Fred'sburg, Shepardstown, Chantilly, Bristol Station, Antietam, and Wilderness; lost his left arm in last-named battle; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser. Recommissioned 2d lieut., July 15, '64, in 1st Batt. Vet. Res. Corps.

MURRAY, JOHN: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. May 1, '61, and m. June 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

MURRAY, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1820; s. Patrick and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 14, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; no more told.

MURRAY, FRANCIS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., May 5, 1825; s. Thomas and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 9, Co. not specified, a recruit, pri.; no more told.

NELSON, JOHN C.: b. Montpelier, Vt., Mar. 6, 1834; s. John and Betsey; bootmaker; en. May, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, May 5, '62; dis. Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Dec. 6, '62, disability. En. again July 14, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; prom. sergt. July 29, '63; ft. before Kinston, N.C., Mar. 8 and 9, '65; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N.C., close of war.

NELSON, ALONZO B.: b. Montpelier, Vt., Mar. 2, 1839; s. John and Betsey; bootmaker; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Mine Run, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, Chantilly, Fred'sburg, Gettysburg, Kelly's Ford, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, and before Petersburg; taken prisoner and confined in Libby Prison, Va.; exchanged May 10, '63; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser.

NEVILLE, WILLIAM: b. Co. Waterford, Ird., 1819; s. William and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, recruit, pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, No. Anna, Cold Harbor, and in front Petersburg, all in '64; wd. badly in left hip before Petersburg, Aug. 9, '64; with R. again Apl. 25, '65; m. out July 30, '65, Washington, D.C.

NEWHALL, CHARLES W.: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 15, 1844; s. Albert and Amanda M.; photographer; en. Feb. 10, '65, and m. 11; 1 y. Batt. 1, Co. A, H. Artil., bugler; dis. Oct. 20, '65, exp. ser.

NEWHALL, FRANCIS: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 14, 1833; s. Albert and Amanda

M.; occ. not given; en. and m. July 14, '64, 100 ds. R. 42, Co. C., pri.; dis. Nov. 11, '64, exp. ser.

NEWTON, GEORGE B.: b. Mil., Mass., Aug., 1841; s. Benjamin and Lucy A.; farmer; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

NEWTON, LEVI L.: b. Mil., Mass., Jan. 19, 1835; s. Benjamin and Lucy A.; farmer; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62, 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; ft. Port Hudson Plains, first assault; m. out Sept. 3, '63, exp. ser., Wenham, Mass.

NEWTON, DAVID: b. Rutland, Mass., Aug. 26, 1826; s. Harlow and Betsey; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed Fort Warren, Mass.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

NICHOLS, CALEB: b. Cumberland, R.I., July 20, 1834; s. Caleb and Susan; bootmaker; en. June 19, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg; injured in back by a strain; detailed for ambulance corps; dis. Fort Monroe, Va., Feb. 18, '63, disability.

NOLAN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, wagoner; prom. 1st lieut. Apl. 10, '63, and capt. May 9, '64; k. Deep Bottom, Va., Aug. 14, '64.

NOLAN, LUKE: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 12, '61; 3 y. R. 15, Co. K, pri.; trans. to U.S. Army.

NORCROSS, RUFUS ALONZO: b. 1836; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., corpl.; dis. Jan. 6, '64, disability.

NUGENT, THOMAS G.: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Mar. 14, 1832; s. John and Elizabeth; tailor; en. Aug. 16, '64, and m. 18; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; stationed in defence of Washington, D.C.; dis. at Fort Richardson, Va., June 17, '65, close of war.

O'BRIEN, JOHN: b. Co. Kilkenny, Ird., 1841; s. William and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. D, corpl.; ft. Georgetown, Carneysville, Manassas, Rappahannock, siege Yorktown, Mechanicsville, Bottelier's Mills, 2d Fred'sburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wapping Heights, Bristol Station, Hanover Court House, and Gaines's Mill; wd. at last-named place in right knee, and taken prisoner; exchanged Aug. 5, '62; ft. again at Pope's Bull Run, and Antietam; dis. Dec. 31, '63, Bealton, Va., to re-en. in Vet. Vols.; re-en. and m. Dec. 31, '63, for 3 y., as aforesaid, corpl., in which he rendered valuable ser.; dis. July 24, '65, Washington, D.C.

O'BRIEN, WILLIAM: b. Ird.; date and place not given; s. William and Ellen; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 1, R.I. Cavalry, pri.; no more told.

O'CONNOR, DAVID: b. Co. Wexford, Ird., Feb. 12, 1833; s. John and Ann; bootmaker; en. Dec. 9, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; ft. Spottsylvania, and mortally wd. May 11, '64; d. of his wds. next day.

O'CONNOR, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., about 1834; s. James O. and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. July 21, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. A, pri.; ft. Ball's Bluff, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, 1st Fred'sburg, Gettysburg, Wilderness, and Cold Harbor; wd. in last-named battle in head and right shoulder; dis. Aug. 1, '64, Boston, Mass., exp. ser.

ODLEER, WILLIS H.: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

O'DONALD, JOHN: birth, date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. not specified; no more told.

O'DONNELL, JOHN: b. Co. Waterford, Ird., Feb. 10, 1843; s. Bartholomew

and Mary; occ. not given; en. Dec. 1, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Petersburg, Mine Explosion, Weldon Railroad, and Poplar Grove Church; wd. Spottsylvania by ball in right arm above elbow; dis. July 30, '65, Washington, D.C.

O'DONNELL, WILLIAM: b. 1843; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted and m. Aug. 14, '63; 3 y. R. 11, Co. G, pri.; d. Andersonville prison, Ga., Oct. 26, '64.

O'DONNELL, PATRICK: b. Co. Donegal, Ird., 1829; s. John and Julia; bootmaker; en. Feb. 4, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, pri.; dis. Boston, Mass., Dec. 13, '64, disability.

O'DONNELL, GEORGE: b. Ird., 1829; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Mar. 25, '65; 3 y. R. 2, Co. M, cavalry, pri.; dis. July 20, '65, close of war.

O'HARA, PATRICK: b. 1824; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Feb. 18, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. D, pri.; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

O'HARE, LAWRENCE: b. Co. Lowth, Ird., Apl. 1, 1835; s. Henry and Mary; currier; conscripted Aug. 11, '63; 3 y. R. 28, Co. E, pri.; ft. Bristow's Station, Moulton's Ford, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Pamunkey, Cold Harbor, siege Petersburg, and Reams's Station; wd. Oct. 17, '64, in right hip by gun-stock; dis. July 24, '64, on acct. of his wds.

O'KEEFE, DANIEL: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., Oct. 17, 1845; s. Charles and Margaret; harness-maker; en. Jan. 13, '64, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 57, Co. D, pri.; recd. gun-shot wd. in action, and dis. Feb. 20, '65, Fairfax, Va., disability.

OLIVER, SAMUEL P.: b. Mil., Mass., 1839; s. Abner F. Pond and Mary, but adopted s. of Samuel and Hannah [Pond] Oliver; bootmaker; en. July 25, '61, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. July 21, '64, exp. ser.

O'NEIL, JEREMIAH: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, capt.; k. in battle Gaines's Mill, June 27, '62.

O'NEIL, DENNIS: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; prom. sergt., date not given; ft. Hanover, Mechanicsville, Gaines's Mill, Nelson's Farm, and Malvern Hill; dis. Sept. 17, '62, disability.

O'NEIL, JOHN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. Gaines's Mill, Va., June 27, '62.

O'NEIL, CHARLES: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., Dec. 28, 1845; s. Patrick and Ellen; sailor; en. and m. Mar. 8, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. A, pri.; d. in Rebel prison, Aug. 29, '64.

O'SHEA, DANIEL: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, corpl.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., same R. and Co., sergt.; d. of wd. Aug. 11, '64, Washington, D.C.

O'SHEA, MAURICE: no birth-date, ptge. or occ. given; en. and m. Aug. 11, '62; 3 y. R. 1, R. I. Cavalry., pri.; no more told.

O'SULLIVAN, JAMES: b. Co. Cork, Ird., 1844; s. John and Honora; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 24, '64; 3 y. R. 4, Co. H, Cavalry, pri.; dis. Nov. 14, '65, exp. ser.; counted on the quota for Lowell, Mass.

PARKS, WILLIAM: b. Co. Leitrim, Ird., Mar., 1837; s. Thomas and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 30, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

PARKER, ROBERT: b. 1831; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. June 22, '61, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 12, Co. D, sergt.; dis. July 8, '64, exp. ser.

PARKER, GEORGE W.: b. Lowell, Vt., Apl. 25, 1843; s. Nathan and Polly;

farmer; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

PARKHURST, HENRY N.: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 21, 1838; s. Oliver B. and Maria; clerk; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; dis. Dec. 4, '62, disability.

PARKHURST, ALBION W.: b. Mil., Mass., Apl. 4, 1842; s. Nelson and Hannah; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; deserted at Alexandria, Va., Aug. 23, '62.

PARKHURST, PARDON C.: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 8, 1836; s. Ithiel and Mary C.; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; acting commissary sergt., Baltimore, Md.; dis. June 27, '64, exp. ser.

PARKHURST, GEORGE O.: b. Mil., Mass., Aug. 4, 1838; s. Oliver B. and Maria; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Chantilly, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Harrison Landing, 2d Bull Run, and Gettysburg; wd. at last-named place in forehead, by piece of shell; with his Co. till m. out, July 3, '63.

PARKHURST, HERBERT: b. Mil., Mass., Dec. 2, 1842; s. Oliver B. and Maria; occ. not given; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

PASCO, WILLIAM C.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

PEARD, ROBERT: b. Ird., 1812; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. June 15, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 9, major; prom. lt.-col. Oct. 24, '61; d. in Virginia, inflammation of brain, Jan. 27, '62.

PEDERE, PATRICK: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 26, '61; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. Aug. 1, '64, exp. ser.

PENNIMAN, JEPHTHA: b. (as supposed) North Bridgewater, Mass., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 29, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; supposed to have been murdered by guerrillas, while serving as wagoner, near Goldsboro', N.C., May, '65.

PERHAM, WILLIS D.: b. Mil., Mass., July 7, 1846; s. Reuben F. and Izanna; farmer; en. Aug. 4, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Jackson, Miss., and wd. in right shoulder; trans. to Batt. 2, Vet. Res. Corps, Nov. 11, '62, at Camp Dennison, O.; dis. June 28, '65, close of war.

PERKINS, STEPHEN G.: birth-date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 8, '61; 3 y. R. 2, infty., 2d lieut.; prom. 1st lieut., July 11, '62; no further reported.

PERRIGO, JAMES G.: b. Wrentham, Mass., 1842; s. Caleb and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Sept. 13, '62; 9 mo. R. 42, Co. B, pri.; dis. Aug. 20, '63. En. and m. again, July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64. En. and m. again, Feb. 14, '65; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. F, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 24, '65, close of war.

PERRY, ENOCH J.: b. 1839; ptge., etc., not given; tinsmith; en. Aug. 2, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Mar. 9, '64, disability.

PERRY, GEORGE L.: b. Fall River, Mass., Dec. 1, 1845; s. George W. and Tryphena; machinist; en. and m. Feb. 29, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; no further record.

PERRY, HENRY W.: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 23, 1834; s. Waldo C. and Julia Ann; bootmaker; en. and m. July 29, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

PHELPS, EDMUND W.: b. 1822; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 1, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, close of war.

PHINNEY, EDWARD H.: b. Barnstable, Mass., 1827; s. Ezra J. and Eliza; painter; en. and m. Jan. 1, '62; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; dis. Feb., '63, disability. En. and m. again, Aug. 19, '64; 1 y. Vet. Res. Corps, pri.; no further reported.

PICKERING, JULIUS A.: b. 1829; place not given; s. Daniel W. and Elizabeth; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 21, '61; 3 y. R. 5, Co. D, R.I. Volunteers, pri.; dis., no date given.

PICKERING, ALONZO W.: brother of Julius; birth-date, place, etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 21, '61; 3 y. R. 5, Co. D, R.I. Vols., pri.; no further reported.

PICKERING, FRANK A.: b. Blackstone, Mass., Sept. 28, 1845; s. Simon and Roxcellana; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 10, '63; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. A, H. Artil., pri.; stationed in forts on the coast of Mass.; dis. June 29, '65.

PICKFORD, JOB: b. about 1835; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 23, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 2, '65, exp. ser.

PIERCE, JOHN A.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., June 27, 1824; s. Harry C. and Cynthia L.; farmer; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va., Jackson and Vicksburg, Miss.; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, Mar. 2, '64; dis. June 29, '65, Washington, D.C., order War Dept.

PIERCE, HARRISON: b. Upton, Mass., 1829; ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted Sept. 1, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; trans. to R. 32, Co. M, Oct. 24, '64; dis. June 29, '65, order War Dept.

PIERCE, WALDO: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, Cavalry, pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

PLIMPTON, ANDREW F.: b. Medfield, Mass., Mar. 7, 1829; s. Warren and Mary; cabinetmaker; en. Sept. 2, '64, and m. 5; 1 y. R. 2, Batt. Light Artil., pri.; trans. to Batt. 6, Lt. Artil., Dec. 23, '64; dis. June 19, '65, New Orleans, La., exp. ser.

POND, EDWIN F.: b. Mil., Mass., Mar. 24, 1838; s. Aaron W. and Emily; bootmaker; en. Sept. 6, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C. Re-en. in same R. and Co., but was not accepted on acct. of disability. D. on board steamer "Fulton," when returning home from hospl. at Fortress Monroe, of chronic diarrhœa, Apl. 29, '64.

POND, CHANDLER H.: b. 1837; place, ptge., etc., not given; bootmaker; en. and m. May 21, '61; 3 y. R. 29, Co. A, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; appointed principal musician, July 1, '65; dis. July 29, '65, exp. ser.

POND, WILLIAM A.: b. Mil., Mass., Sept. 25, 1839; s. Aaron W. and Emily; bootmaker; en. and m. July 8, '61; 3 y. R. 7, Co. not specified, musician; dis. Aug. 11, '62, near Harrison's Bar, Va. En. and m. again, Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

POND, FRANCIS G.: b. Mil., Mass., Feb. 25, 1847; s. Gilbert and Julia C.; bootmaker; en. Sept. 17, '62, and m. Oct. 7; 9 mo. R. 45, Co. I, musician; dis. July 7, '63, Readville, Mass., exp. ser. En. again Aug. 15, '64, and m. 18; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., musician; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

POND, HENRY A.: b. Norwich, Ct., Dec. 31, 1845; s. Charles and Mary A.; bootmaker; en. Mar. 22, '64, and m. 24; 3 y. R. 25, Co. A, pri.; ft. Port Walthal, Drury's Bluff, and Cold Harbor; taken prisoner at Cold Harbor, June 3, '64; imprisoned successively at Richmond, Andersonville, Savannah, and Millen; paroled Nov. 18, '64; dis. by order War Dept., June 17, '65.

POND, BERNARD H.: b. Wrentham, Mass., 1834; ptge. not given; butcher; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. q.-m. sergt. Mar. 26, '62, and 1st R. q. master, May 4, '62; dishonorably dis. from ser. July 14, '63.

POND, FREDERICK A.: b. 1844; place and ptge. not given; clerk; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

POWERS, PATRICK: b. Co. Roscommon, Ird., Mar., 1822; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 25, Co. not specified, pri.; reported wd. battle of Cold Harbor; dis. July 13, '65, exp. ser.

PRESTON, HENRY A.: b. Mil., Mass., 1846; s. Elijah and Eunice; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 19, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

PRICE, ALLEN C.: b. Mil., Mass., May, 1845; s. Charles H. and Betsey; teamster or student; en. Sept. 10, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; dis. at Newport News, Va., Jan. 18, '64, to re-en.; which he did same day for 3 y., in same R. and Co., pri.; supposed k. battle Cold Harbor, June 3, '64.

PROUTY, CHARLES D.: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 1, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

PRUE, PETER: b, Hyacinth, Can., June 28, 1840; s. Paul and Agatha; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. A., pri.; taken prisoner Plymouth, N.C., '64, and confined successively for various lengths of time at Andersonville, Ga., Charleston, S.C., and Florence, S.C.; paroled about Dec. 7, '64; dis. Aug. 13, '65, at Smithville, N.C., disability.

PYE, JAMES: b. Eng., Feb., 1823; s. Joseph and Nancy; mechanic; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

PYNE, WILLIAM: b. Co. Clare, Ird., June 12, 1835; s. Thomas and Jane; bootmaker; en. Apl. 29, '61, and m. June 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. C, pri.; ft. Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, and Gaines's Mill; at last-named battle wd. through hips; dis. Mar. 21, '63, at Convalescent Camp, Fort Ward, disability.

QUIMBY, ORAMANDEL: b. Greene, Me., Sept., 1832; s. Samuel and Lydia; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, Fort Warren, Mass.

QUINLAN, MICHAEL: b. Charlestown, Mass., July 4, 1843; s. Edward and Roxana; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, Mass.

QUINN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1823; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 22, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; no more recorded.

QUINN, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Aug. 24, '62, to en. in U. S. Army.

QUINN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1834; s. Patrick and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Sept. 17, '62; 9 mo. R. 50, Co. I, pri.; at siege Port Hudson; m. out with his R., Aug. 24, '63. En. again Nov. 7, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., a recruit, sergt.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, close of war.

RAFTERY, WILLIAM: b. Co. Galway, Ird., July 16, 1831; s. Edward and Mary; shoemaker; en. May 13, '63, and m. June 6; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. D, H. Artil, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, Fort Independence, Sept. 12, '65, exp. ser.

READE, JOHN: b. Kilkenny, Ird., Dec. 1, 1824; s. Patrick and Mary; trader; en. Oct. 18, '62, and m. Nov. 15; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, 1st lieut., resigned Mar. 1, '63. En. again Dec. 30, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; ft.

Wilderness, Spottsylvania, No. Anna, Cold Harbor, and siege of Petersburg; taken prisoner at explosion of mine, and confined successively at Danville, Columbia, Charlotte, and Goldsboro'; paroled about March 1, '65, at Wilmington, N.C. He had been promoted 1st lieut., Apl. 6, '64. M. out May 15, '65, order War Dept.

READY, ANDREW: b. Eng., 1823; s. John and Catherine; tailor; en. July 29, '62, and m. Aug. 6; 3 y. R. 9, Co. K, pri.; dis. Oct. 30, '62, disability. En. and m. again July 22, '64; 3 y. in Vet. Res. Corps, pri.; dis. Nov. 17, '65, order War Dept.

REED, THOMAS: b. Co. Sligo, Ird., 1824; s. Robert and Jane; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. corpl., June 15, '62; one of the color guards, and ft. in all the battles of his R. till k. at Fred'sburg, Dec. 13, '62.

REED, SILAS: b. Mil., Mass., July 6, 1836; s. Joseph and Susanna; shoemaker; en. and m. Sept. 22, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. C, pri., Maine Volunteers; no further reported.

REED, ALFRED D.: b. Mil., Mass., July 10, 1846; s. Joseph and Lucy; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed in Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65.

REGAN, JOSEPH: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., Mar., 1841; s. James and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser. En. and m. again Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, exp. ser.

REGAN, JOSEPH E.: b. 1842; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

REMICK, ALFRED P.: b. Gardner, Me., Oct., 1830; s. Benjamin and Eliza; bootmaker; en and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, wagoner; (town clerk uncertain whether counted on quota of Mil. or Mendon;) dis. June 26, '62, disability. En. again Feb. 9, '65, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 1, Co. A, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Oct. 20, '65, exp. ser.

REYNOLDS, MURTY: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. May 30, '62; 3 y. R. 32, Co. G, pri.; dis. Oct. 4, '62, to en. in U. S. Battery.

REYNOLDS, WILLIAM F.: b. Smithfield, R.I., May 31, 1837; s. Samuel E. and Lydia A.; carpenter; en. Aug. 8, '61, and m. 13, R. I. Lt. Artil.; 3 y. R. 1, Co. B, pri.; ft. Ball's Bluff, Yorktown, Fair Oaks, Savage Station, Malvern Hill, Antietam, and 1st Fred'sburg; dis. Feb. 16, '63, epileptic disability.

REYNOLDS, JOHN: birth-date, place, ptge., etc., not given; nor date of en.; 3 y. R. 1, Co. G, R. I. cavalry; no more recorded.

REYNOLDS, OWEN: birth-date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. 1862; 3 y. R. 1, Co. G, R. I. cavalry; no more told.

REYNOLDS, ORVAL M.: no birth date or place given; s. Samuel E. and Lydia A.; no date of en. En. for 5 y., U. S. Artil., R. 1, Co. E; was with William Holbrook until dis. Jan. 12, '63. (See Holbrook's record.)

REYNOLDS, JOHN Q.: b. Smithfield, R.I., 1848; s. Samuel E. and Lydia A.; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 15, '65; 3 y. Batt. 1, H. Artil., Co. F, pri.; dis. June 24, '65, exp. ser.

REYNOLDS, SAMUEL E.: birth date, place, etc., not given; s. Samuel and Lydia; en. and m. May 21, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. K, N.H., pri.; no more told.

RICE, BYRON: b. Mendon, Mass., 1838; s. Dexter and Patience; bootmaker; en. and m. May 21, '61; 3 y. R. 29, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 6, '61, disability.

RICH, THOMAS G.: b. Randolph, Mass., Dec. 19, 1845; s. Thomas W. and

Emily; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

RICHARDS, EDWARD R.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Sept. 5, 1842; s. Silas and Harriet; painter; ser. first for New Bedford a term; for Mil., en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, close of war.

RICHARDSON, JOHN S.: b. Providence, R.I., Aug. 1, 1817; s. John E. and Sylvia; painter; en. and m. Nov. 2, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. May 31, '65, hospl., Readville, Mass., disability.

RICHARDSON, ELI A.: b. Medway, Mass., Sept. 23, 1820; s. Ezra and Mary; bootmaker. Ser. first a term for Hopkinton. For Mil. en. and m. Nov. 19, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; m. out July 27, '64, exp. ser.

RILEY, CHARLES F.: b. Braintree, Mass., Aug. 30, 1841; s. John and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Nov. 12, '63, and m. Dec. 7; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. A., pri.; ft. Plymouth, N.C., taken prisoner; confined successively Andersonville, Charleston, and Florence; paroled Dec. 7, '64; dis. Sept. 3, '65, Smithville, N.C.

RILEY, PATRICK: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

RINEY, TIMOTHY: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., Dec. 5, 1845; s. Daniel and Margaret; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. A., pri.; ft. and made prisoner, Plymouth, N.C.; d. of starvation, Andersonville, Ga., about July, '64.

RING, JEREMIAH: b. Ird., 1832; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. July 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; k. Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62.

ROACHE, THOMAS K.: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H.; 1st lieut.; prom. capt. July 8, '62; dis. Sept. 30, '63.

ROACH, DAVID: b. Co. Cork, Ird., about 1821; s. David and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Sept. 30, '61, and m. Dec. 13; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. James Island and Bull Run, '62; wd. at Bull Run in breast, right arm above elbow, under jaw, and right shoulder; dis. Washington, D.C., May 11, '64, to re-en. in Vet. Res. Corps, Batt. 2, Co. 36. Dis. 1865, Washington, D.C.

ROCKWOOD, ELIJAH: b. Mil., Mass., Nov. 15, 1815; s. Peter and Sabra; farmer; en. Oct. 15, '61, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; dis. Apl. 1, '63, Newbern, N.C., disability.

ROCKWOOD, AARON W.: b. Mil., Mass., June 6, 1843; s. Elijah and Jane; teamster; en. and m. Sept. 9, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; dis. May 29, '63, disability.

ROGERS, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1818; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 7, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. Oct. 30, '62, disability.

ROGERS, JAMES: b. Ird., 1841; s. James and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 25, '64; 3 y. R. 29, Co. H, pri.; dis. July 29, '65, close of war.

ROSE, JOHN L.: b. Northbridge, Mass., 1838; s. Oliver and Sally; bootmaker; en. Aug. 2, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Jan. 25, '65, disability.

ROSE, EDWARD R.: b. Livermore, Me., 1844; s. Charles and Rosetta; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

ROWE, WILLIAM: b. Co. Galway, Ird., July 10, 1842; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 4, '63, and m. 9; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. A., pri.; taken prisoner battle Plymouth, and d. starvation, Andersonville, Ga., July 15, '64.

ROWE, PATRICK: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Nov., 1832; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; dis. Oct. 30, '62, at Sharpsburg, Md., debility and chron. pleurisy.

ROWE, JAMES: b. Co. Galway, Ird., July, 1839; s. Patrick and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; ft. Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, siege Yorktown, and last battle Gaines's Mills; wd. at last-named place by gun-shot in left knee; dis. Fort McHenry, Oct. 21, '62, on acct. wd.

ROURKE, JOHN: b. Ird., 1843; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; dis. Dec. 21, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., pri.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

RURALD, HENRY C. A.: b. about 1833; ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 14, '64; 3 y. R. 1, Co. L, H. Artil., pri.; deserted Mar., '64.

RUSSELL, WARREN: b. 1840; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, musician in band; dis. Aug. 11, '62, near Harrison's Bar, Va., by Gen. Order from Head Qrs. Army Potomac.

RUSSELL, MITCHELL: b. 1834; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 18, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; no more recorded.

RUTLEDGE, THOMAS: b. Co. Galway, Ird., 1837; s. James and Sarah; bootmaker; en. Feb. 9, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, pri.; d. of his wds., Arlington Heights, Va., June 9, '64.

RYAN, JOHN: b. Co. Tipperary, Ird., 1839; s. Thomas and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Feb. 9, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

RYAN, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., pri.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

RYAN, JOHN: b. 1841; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 11, '62; 3 y. Batt. 1, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; deserted Jan. 24, '63.

SAMPLE, JOSEPH: b. 1830; place and ptge. not given; laborer; en. Aug. 11, '62, and m. Oct. 18; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, corpl.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

SANGER, HENRY: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Oct. 12, 1846; s. Gilbert D. and Mary M.; bootmaker; en. and. m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

SAUNDERS, JONATHAN B.: b. Upton, Mass., Aug. 25, 1843; s. Samuel R. and Elizabeth; chandler; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. K, N.Y. Militia, pri.; Co. resolved into N.Y. Batt. 6, about Aug., '61; ft. Williamsburg, May 12, '62, Ball's Bluff, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight in front of Richmond, Va., Malvern Hill, July, '62, 2d Malvern Hill, Chancellorsville, '63, Kelly's Ford, Brandy Station, Gettysburg, and Shepardston.

SAUNDERS, JOHN PILLSBURY: b. 1838; place not given; s. Nathaniel, laborer; en. and m. Aug. 4, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser.

ST. GEORGE, HENRY W.: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 23, '64; 1 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

SAWYER, GEORGE C.: b. Shrewsbury, Mass., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; deserted his Co. at battle Malvern Hill, Va., July 1, '62; dis. Dec. 9, '62.

SCAMMELL, WILLIAM H.: b. Mil., Mass., June 21, 1838; s. Alexander and Ann Augusta; clerk; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. and was wd. in battle Fair Oaks, Va., June 1, '62; prom. qr.-mr. sergt. Aug. 17, '63, and to qr.-mr. 1st lieut. Sept. 1, '64. Re-en. Dec. 29, '63; ft., besides Fair Oaks, at Yorktown and Williamsburg; dis. July 7, '65, close of war.

SCHOFIELD, EDWARD: b. Canton, Mass., Nov. 20, 1832; s. John and Mary E.; machinist; en. Aug. 24, '64, and m. 29; 1 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; trans. to R. 17, infty., Co. G, Feb. 9, '65; dis. June 15, '65, Trenton, N.J., order War Dept.

SHANNON, EDWARD: b. Hartford, Ct., 1844; s. Robert and Ellen; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. 26; 3 y. Battery 1, Lt. Artil., pri.; ft. Wilderness, Spottsylvania, No. Anna, Cold Harbor, Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Mt. Jackson, Cedar Creek, capture Petersburg, etc.; never wd.; trans. to Battery 9, Mar. 12, '65; dis. Boston, Mass., June 6, '65, close of war.

SHAUGNESSEY, MICHAEL: b. Ird., 1838; s. William; bootmaker; en. Dec. 8, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; k. battle Wilderness, May 6, '64.

SHAY, JOHN: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., 1830; s. Daniel and Bridget; farmer; en. Dec. 29, '63, and m. Jan. 27, '64; 3 y. R. 4, Co. E, cavalry, pri.; dis. Nov. 14, '65, exp. ser.

SHEA, JOHN: b. Ird., 1841; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 15, '64, Boston, Mass., exp. ser.

SHEA, DENNIS: b. 1842; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 25, '61, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 20, Co. F, pri.; dis. Dec. 20, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co., 1st sergt.; prom. 1st lieut. Mar. 24, '64, and capt. June 1, '65; dis. July 16, '65, close of war.

SHEEDY, JEREMIAH: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., 1838; s. Jeremiah and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 7, '64, 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; no more recorded.

SHHEHAN, PATRICK: b. Co. Cork, Ird., Mar. 27, 1838; s. Christopher and Joanna; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Fair Oaks, Robinson's Field, Glendale, Malvern Hill, and 2d Bull Run; dis. on. acct. wds. recd. by the falling of a tree, June 20, '63. En. again Aug. 18, '64, and m. same day; 3 y. R. 2, Cavalry, Co. not specified; no further reported.

SHEEHAN, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1844; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Oct. 20, '62, and m. Nov. 1; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. K, pri.; m. out with R., Sept. 3, '63.

SHELDON, ARNOLD: b. Smithfield, R.I., Nov. 4, 1829; s. Arnold and Rebecca; baker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed at Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65.

SHEPHERD, LEWIS G.: b. Mansfield, Mass., Mar. 18, 1838; s. Seth and Ann G.; machinist; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, band musician; dis. Aug. 11, '62, camp near Harrison's Bar, Va., by orders from Head-Qrs. Army of Potomac. En. again Feb. 19, '64, and m. 29; 3 y. R. 29, Gov. Andrew's Sharp Shooters, pri.; dis. Boston, Mass., May 6, '65, having served for some time at Galloup's Island as musician in the band.

SHEPHERD, GEORGE H.: b. Mansfield, Mass., July 4, 1840; s. Seth C. and Ann G.; bootmaker; en. and m. June 15, '61; 3 y. R. 7, Co. H, pri.; ft. Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, Antietam, and 1st Fred'sburg; wd. in right arm 2d battle Fred'sburg, and then trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, Portsmouth, R.I.; was with his R. till wd.; m. out June 15, '64.

SHEPHERD, JOHN A.: b. Mansfield, Mass., May, 1843; s. Seth C. and Ann G.; bootmaker; en. Sept. 18, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; d. at Annapolis, Md., typhoid-fever, Nov. 22, '61.

SHIELDS, JOHN: b. 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; deserted Aug. 14, '62.

SHINE, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; d. Dec. 8, '62.

SIMOND, ADOLPH: b. 1831; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Jan. 27, '64; 3 y. R. 4, Co. F, cavalry, pri.; dis. Nov. 14, '65, exp. ser.

SLATTERY, DAVID: b. Ird., 1841; s. Michael and Joanna; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, corpl.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

SLATTERY, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

SMITH, JAMES C.: b. Ird., 1819; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; d. Washington, D.C., Dec. 15, '62.

SMITH, LEVI L.: b. Mil., Mass., 1830; s. Levi and Fanny; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y. R. 163, Co. I, Vet. Res. Corps; dis. July 20, '65, Pittsburg, Pa.

SMITH, ALDEN B.: b. 1819; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, Co. K, pri.; k. 1st day's fight, Wilderness.

SMITH, HUGH: b. Co. Cavan, Ird., Mar. 14, 1833; s. Philip and Kate; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 23, '63; 3 y. R. 29, Co. not specified, pri.; substitute for Charles F. Claflin; ft. Fort Stedman, Mar. 25 and 30, '65; dis. July 29, '65, Delany House, D.C., close of war.

SMITH, GEORGE P.: b. 1834; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, musician; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

SMITH, JOHN F.: b. 1839; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 28, '64; 3 y. R. 28, Co. D, pri.; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

SMITH, VICTOR: b. St. Simons, Can., June 15, 1845; s. Nelson and Genevieva; bootmaker; en. Dec. 7, '63, and m. 10; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., a recruit, pri.; taken prisoner battle Plymouth, N.C., '64; confined successively at Andersonville, Ga., and Florence, S.C.; and thereupon paroled; dis. from Parole Camp, Aug., '65.

SNOW, JAMES M.: b. 1840; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Sept. 3, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; trans. Jan. 17, '65, to R. 17, infty., Co. E; dis. May 30, '65, order War Dept.

SNOW, SAMUEL A.: b. 1844; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Oct. 14, '61; 3 y. R. 25, Co. I, pri.; dis. Dec. 17, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day, on the quota of Berlin, same R. and Co. D, Oct. 20, '64, Florence, S. C.

SOUTHLAND, JOHN W.: b. Upton, Mass., 1837; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Jan. 30, '62; 3 y. R. 15, Co. D, pri.; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps June 15, '64; dis. Baltimore, Md., Feb. 23, '64, disability.

SPEAR, WILLIAM R.: b. Nova Scotia, 1824; s. Andrew and Esther; tailor; en. July 28, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, Va.; dis. May 7, '64, disability. En. again May 29, '64; 3 y. Vet. Res. Corps; d. Aug. 19, '65, of confluent variola, and is buried Harmony Ground, grave 298, section 1, block 4.

SPEAR, SETH A.: b., no date, place, or ptge. given; bootmaker; en. and m. Feb. 27, '62; 3 y. R. 3, Co. M, R. I., H. Artil., pri.; d. in service.

SPELLMAN, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1842; s. Patrick; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. H, H. Artil., pri.; d. Mar. 20, '65, Newbern, N.C.

SPELLMAN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, pri.; dis. June 17, '63, disability.

SPENCER, DANIEL EDWIN: b. Northbridge, Mass., Jan. 15, 1837; s. William and Catherine; bootmaker; en. July 16, '63, and m. Aug. 4; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, H. Artil., pri.; appointed 1st sergt. and trans. to Co. D, R. 2, Aug. 22, '63; prom. 2d lieut., and assigned to Co. E, R. 2, Aug. 17, '64; dis. April 13, '65, at Plymouth, N. C., disability.

SPENCER, WILLIAM F.: b. Providence, R. I., Feb., 1836; s. William and Catherine; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 20, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, Fort Richardson, Va., exp. ser.

SPRAGUE, NATHAN K.: b. Shrewsbury, Mass., Sept. 11, 1839; s. William and Lydia; bootmaker; en. Aug. 1, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; ft. at Fred'sburg, Va., and Jackson, Miss.; trans. to Lieut. Metzer's detachment of Vet. Res. Corps Feb. 2, '64; dis. Boston, Mass., May 19, '64, disability.

SQUIRES, SOLOMON A.: b. Sutton, Can. East, April 24, 1834; s. Solomon and Lovica; bootmaker; en. April 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. siege Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, and Fred'sburg; dis. Jan. 31, '63, Falmouth, Va., disability. En. again Oct. 3, '64; 1 y. R. 61, Co. F, corpl.; present siege of Petersburg, Va.; m. out July 16, '65, at Arlington Heights, close of war.

STUDLER, or STELLER, JACOB: b. 1834; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 32, Co. A, pri.; trans. Vet. Res. Corps.

STANLEY, WILLIAM F.: b. Pawtucket, R. I., 1836; ptge. not given; painter; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; taken prisoner at Savage Station, Va., June 29, '62; dis. Dec. 15, '62, Alexandria, Va., disability. En. and m. again Aug. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. D, H. Artil., pri.; deserted Sept. 1, '65.

STEERE, FRANCIS L.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 22, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

STEVENS, ELIOTT A. E.: b. Sutton, Mass., 1843; ptge. not given; bleacher; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; k. instantly by a solid shot through his left side, Petersburg, Va., June 15, '64.

STEWART, WILLIAM: b. Boston, Mass., 1843; s. William and Ann; bootmaker; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 15; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, musician; in battles Ball's Bluff, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, Antietam, Williamsburg, 1st and 2d Fred'sburg, Gettysburg, Rapidan, and Bristol Station; dis. Dec. 20, '63, to re-en.; which he did same day, for 3 y. in same R. and Co., musician; dis. July 19, '65, Boston, Mass., order War Dept.

STIMPSON, JESSE F.: b. Frederickton, N.B., Aug. 28, 1839; s. Jonathan and Mary; blacksmith; en. May 11, '61, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, pri.; ft. at Chancellorsville, and wd. in right leg below knee by a minie-ball; trans. to Batt. 2, Co. 114, V. R. C., Dec. 17, '63, at Mt. Pleasant Hospl., Washington, D.C.; dis. May 28, '64, Washington, D. C.

STODDARD, LORENZO: b. Calais, Vt., Feb. 8, 1831; s. Jasper M. and Hannah T.; bootmaker; en. April 19, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg, and wd. in left hip by a musket-ball; ft. again at Chantilly and at Fred'sburg Dec. 13, '62; wd. at last-named place by a ball in right side; prom. corpl. July 1, '62; dis. June 9, '63, on acct. of wds. recd. in battle. En. again Jan. 4, '64, and m. 14; 1 y. R. 1, Co. M, cavalry, pri.; was with his Co. every day during this second en.; prom. sergt. about Mar. 1, '65; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

STODDARD, WARREN: b. Fitzwilliam, N. H., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; taken prisoner in battle Chancellorsville, May 3, '63; k. in battle Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, '63.

STONE, EDGAR V.: b. 1847; place and occ. not given; s. Liberty W.; en. Mar. 17, '65, and m. 18; 1 y. R. 61, Co. G, pri.; dis. June 9, '65, from U. S. Gen. Hospl., Baltimore, Md.

STONE, LIBERTY W.: b. Upton, Mass., May 22, 1825; s. Elisha J. and Lucinda; bootmaker; en. Dec. 22, '63, and m. 26; 3 y. R. 25, Co. A, pri.; d. of wds. recd. in ser., July 5, '64.

SULLIVAN, MICHAEL: b. Dublin, Ird., about 1822; s. Michael and Ann; bootmaker; en. July 22, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; with his R. and Co. till dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

SULLIVAN, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; dis. May 28, '64, exp. ser.

SULLIVAN, JOHN: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., 1839; s. Peter and Mary; bootmaker; en. Dec. 13, '61, and m. 23; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, sergt.; prom. 2d lieut. Sept. 26, '62; k. Fred'sburg, Dec. 13, 62.

SULLIVAN, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1834; ptge. not given; shoemaker; en. and m. Nov. 17, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. K, cavalry, pri.; dis. July 20, '65, exp. ser.

SULLIVAN, SIMEON: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., 1841; s. Peter and Mary; shoemaker; en. and m. July 12, '61; 3 y. R. 15, Co. H, pri.; wd. in battle of Antietam, and d. of his wounds, Frederick City Hospl.

SULLIVAN, MICHAEL: b. 1843; place not given; s. Daniel; shoemaker; en. and m. Dec. 10, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; d. in Andersonville Prison, Oct. 9, '64.

SULLIVAN, DANIEL: b. Ird., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 7, '62; 3 y. R. 9, Co. A, recruit, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

SULLIVAN, JEREMIAH J.: b. Co. Kerry, Ird., about 1838; s. Eugene and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 17, '64; 3 y. R. 15, Co. K, pri.; ft. Wilderness and Spottsylvania; there wd. in right breast in lungs by a minie-ball; trans. to R. 20, Co. E; ft. on Weldon Railroad, and was taken prisoner; confined two mo. at Belle Island, and then paroled; ft. again in battle of Hatcher's Run; m. out with R. 20, July 16, '65, close of war.

SULLIVAN, TIMOTHY: b. Co. Kings, Ird., 1837; s. Peter and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, at Fort Warren, Mass., exp. ser.

SULLIVAN, QUIMBY: b. 1823; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 18, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. K, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, at Fort Richardson, Va., exp. ser.

SWAN, JOHN J. P.: birth, date, place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Dec. 23, '61; 3 y. R. 1, Co. C, R. I. Lt. Artil., pri.; d. June 26, '62, in hospl.

SWEENEY, DALTY: b. Ird., 1842; s. Hannah; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; trans. June 10, '64, to R. 5, U. S. Artil.

SWEENEY, DENNIS: b. Ird., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; k. battle Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 13, '62.

SWEET, EDWIN J.: b. Hubbardston, Vt., 1839; s. George W. and Roxana; student; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. sergt. and trans. to Co. E, Jan. 1, '63; made 2d lieut. June 5, '63, and afterwards 1st lieut.; dis. July 18, '64, exp. ser.

SWEET, GEORGE W.: b. Mendon, Mass., 1835; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; d. from wds. recd. before Petersburg, Va., June 17, '64.

TAFT, ORISON C.: b. Mil., Mass., Sept. 7, 1844; s. Harvey F. and Prudence; farmer; en. April 17, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp; dis. Newport News, Dec. 17, '63, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., in same R. and Co.; dis. Dec. 22, '64, disability.

TAFT, JOHN H.: b. 1838; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 22, '64; 1 y. R. 4, Co. E, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 17, '65, exp. ser.

TATRUE, Andrew: b. Montreal, Can., 1843; s. Peter and Mary; laborer; en. and m. Dec. 15, '63; 3 y. R. 1, Co. B, pri.; dis. Aug. 16, '65, exp. ser., absent sick.

TAYLOR, JOTHAM L.: b. Blackstone, Mass., 1827; s. Elijah and Roba; bootmaker; en. Aug. 6, '62, and m. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. Sept. 7, '63, Crab Orchard, Ky.

TAYLOR, ORRIN S.: b. 1844; place and ptge. not given; farmer; en. July 25, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; d. of wds. Petersburg, Va., June 23, '64.

TAYLOR, HENRY E.: b. Blackstone, Mass., Nov. 29, 1834; s. Elijah and Roba; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

TEMPLETON, A. C.: b., place and date not given; s. Samuel and Delphia; ser. in R. 13, Vt. Vols.; no more recorded.

THAYER, HENRY B.: b. Marlboro', Mass., Mar. 13, 1832; s. Sullivan and Ruth; salesman; en. Apl. 19, '61, and m. June 21; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, 1st sergt.; ft. Fair Oaks, May 31, '62, Fred'sburg, Dec. 13 ensuing, and wd. in right foot by a musket-ball; dis. Apl. 27, '63, on acct. wds. En. and m. again Mar. 13, '64; 3 y. R. 3, Co. H, R.I. cavalry, corpl.; dis. Dale Hospl., Worcester, Mass., July 28, '65, disability.

THOMAS, ROBERT T.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

THOMPSON, EDMUND A.: b. Belfast, Me., Aug. 4, 1843; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis., Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

THOMPSON, GILBERT: b. Mendon, Mass., Mar. 21, 1839; s. William V. and Harriet; printer; en. and m. Nov. 22, '61; 3 y. U. S. Topographical Corps Engineers, Co. D, engineer; prom. corpl. Dec. 1, '62; with Army of Potomac in all its engagements on engineer ser. with his Co., and topographical duty; dis. before Petersburg, Va., Nov. 22, '64, exp. ser.

THOMPSON, EDWARD H.: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Nov. 25, '64; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, exp. ser.

TIENAN, or TYNAN, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1833; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; d. Jan. 16, '62.

TIERNAN, MARK, 1st: b. Co. Galway, Ird., Aug. 24, 1834; s. Mark and Sarah; bootmaker; en. Aug. 7, '61, and m. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; ft. Ball's Bluff, in Peninsular Campaign, Yorktown, West Point, Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, 2d Bull Run, and Antietam; dis. Boston, Mass., Apl. 10, '63, disability. En. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65.

TIERNAN, MARK, 2d: b. Ird., Aug. 5, 1843; s. Martin and Margaret; bootmaker; en. June 11, '61, and m. 15; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; always with his R., well, and never wd.; dis. Boston, Mass., June 15, '64, exp. ser. En. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65.

TIERNAN, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1819; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Nov. 1, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. K, pri.; m. out with R. Sept. 3, '63.

TILTON, WILLIAM A.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., Mar. 30, 1838; s. George A. and Catherine M.; clerk; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, and Newbern; wd. in chest by a spent ball; dis. Oct. 20, '64, exp. ser.

TINAN, MICHAEL: b. Co. Tipperary, Ird., 1834; s. Michael and Catherine; bootmaker; en. Aug. 23, '64, and m. 24; 3 y. R. 2, Co. G, cavalry, pri.; ft. Fisher's Hill, Oct. 9, '64, and Cedar Creek, Oct. 19 ensuing; dis. Cloud's Mills, June 17, '65, close of war.

TOBIN, JAMES W.; b. Co. Sligo, Ird., 1835; s. Thomas and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, sergt.; ft. Hanover Ct. House, 7 ds. fight; wd. by gun-shot in left arm near elbow, June 27, '62; dis. Falmouth, Va., Apl. 14, '63, on acct. wd.

TOBIN, JOHN: b. Ird., 1840; s. Thomas and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Oct. 22, '63; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; trans. to R. 32, infty., June 10, '64; no more recorded.

TOOMEY, JEREMIAH: b. Ird., 1829; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Mar. 17, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. A, cavalry, pri.; no more told.

TRACY, THOMAS: b. Ird., Aug. 21, 1818; s. Thomas and Winneford; laborer; en. Oct. 9, '62, and m. 18; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; dis. Dec. 24, '62.

TREVETTS, WINFIELD: b. Frankfort, Me., May 30, 1838; s. Henry S. and Dolly; bootmaker; en. June 28, '61, and m. July 2; 3 y. R. 16, Co. B, pri.; dropped Apl. 13, '63, and nothing heard of him down to Mar. 3, '77.

TUCKER, ALBERT H.: b. Milford, N.H., 1843; ptge. not given; farmer; en. Sept. 12, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; d. Hatteras Inlet, N.C., of bilious fever, Jan. 21, '62.

TUCKER, GEORGE PERRY: b. 1844; place not given; s. George W.; farmer; en. and m. Aug. 4, '63; 3 y. R. 2, Co. C, pri.; dis. Sept. 3, '65, exp. ser. in Co. A.

TUTTLE, AUGUSTUS S.: b. Concord, Mass., July 18, 1824; s. Augustus and Almira; trader; en. and m. Aug. 27, '62; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, 2d lieut.; Mar. 5, '63, detailed to take charge 3d Brigade Ambulance Corps; prom. 1st lieut. May 16, '63; detailed July 1, '63, to take charge of Division Ambulance; ft. at Fred'sburg, Va., and Jackson, Miss., '63; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

TWOHIG, TIMOTHY: b. Ird., 1840; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. July 23, '62, and m. Aug. 4; 3 y. R. 9, unassigned recruit, pri.; no more told.

TYLER, CHARLES H.: b. 1846; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

UNDERWOOD, AARON C.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1824; s. Daniel; mechanic; en. Aug. 19, '62, and m. Oct. 14; 9 mo. R. 51, Co. I, pri.; m. out with R. at Worcester, Mass., July 27, '63. En. and m. again Sept. 15, '64; 3 y. R. 2, Co. B, H. Artil., pri.; trans. Jan. 27, '65, to R. 17, infantry., Co. D; dis. June 30, '65, order War Dept.

VANT, DEXTER P.: b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 3, 1842; s. Artemas B. and Izanna E.; bootmaker; en. Sept. 17, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. July 1, '63; ft. Newbern, Whitehall, Kinston, Goldsboro', and Green Swamp, N.C., also Petersburg, May, '64, Cold Harbor, and siege Petersburg, Va.; dis., Worcester, Mass., Oct. 24, '64, exp. ser.

VAUGHN, BARTHOLOMEW: b. Co. Limerick, Ird., 1822; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Dec. 15, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

VOSE, CYRUS W.: b. Wrentham, Mass., Jan. 7, 1830; s. Stephen and Eleanor; shoemaker; drafted July 15, '63; 3 y. R. 22, pri.; dis. without pay, Boston Harbor, Sept. 21, '63, disability. En. and m. Aug. 4, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis., Fort Warren, Mass., Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WALCOTT, ALFRED W.: birth place and date not given; s. Freeman; car-

penter; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, 2d lieut.; prom. 1st lieut., Nov. 28, '61; dis. July 8, '62, disability.

WALCOTT, HARRISON T.: b. East Cambridge, Mass., 1841; s. Freeman; painter; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N.Y., Co. G, pri.; prom. sergt. Nov. 1, '61, 2d lieut. Jan. 1, '63, 1st lieut. Feb. 1, '63, and capt. July 7, '63; k. battle Wilderness, Va., May 5, '64.

WALDRON, LAUNCELOT: b. Co. Kildare, Ird., Mar. 10, 1820; s. Joseph and Ann; bootmaker; en. Sept. 23, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N.C.; disabled and detailed for hospl. ser. at Hampton; dis. Oct. 7, '64, Fortress Monroe, exp. ser.

WALL, JOHN, 2d: b. Ird., about 1820; s. Henry and Mary; bootmaker; en. Sept. 3, '64, and m. Oct. 5; 1 y. R. 17, Co. H, pri.; he en. for H. Artil., but was trans. to the said R. and Co. Dec. 16, '64; ft. Kinston, Mar. 8, 9, and 10, '65; dis. June 30, '65, Greensboro', N.C., close of war.

WALLACE, PATRICK: b. Co. Tyrone, Ird., May 15, 1821; s. Patrick and Ann; bootmaker; en. Jan. 4, '64, and m. 11; 3 y. R. 57, Co. B, pri.; d. in prison, Andersonville, Ga., July 14, '64.

WALLACE, ROBERT: b. Co. Tyrone, Ird., Mar. 17, 1825; s. Patrick and Ann; bootmaker; en. Jan. 16, '64, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 57, Co. D, pri.; k. battle Wilderness, Va., May 6, '64.

WALLS, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; deserted Dec. 20, '61.

WALSH, THOMAS: b. Dublin, Ird., about 1846; s. Thomas and Mary; laborer; en. and m. Oct. 4, '62; 9 mo. R. 48, Co. I, pri.; ft. Port Hudson, and Fort Donaldsonville; dis. Wenham, Mass., Sept. 3, '63, exp. ser. En. again Nov. 12, '63, and m. 19; 3 y. R. 15, Co. K, pri.; ft. Wilderness, and wd. in muscle of right arm above elbow; sent to hospl., Washington, D.C., and thence in two weeks to hospl., Philadelphia; trans. to R. 20, Co. E, Mass. infty.; dis. June 20, '65, disability.

WALSH, EDWARD: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., same R. and Co., pri.; dis. Sept. 2, '65, exp. ser.

WARD, JAMES: b. 1842; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, drummer; dis. Jan. 1, '64, to re-en.; which he did next day, for 3 y., same R. and Co., musician; dis. June 30, '65, exp. ser.

WARD, BENJAMIN H.: b. 1833; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WARREN, GEORGE C.: b. 1843; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WARREN, ELIJAH: b. 1836; place, ptge., etc., not given; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WARREN, HOSEA: b. Montpelier, Vt., Nov., 1822; s. Samuel and Lucy; bootmaker; en. Dec. 11, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; d. Oct. 1, '64, Danville, Va.

WASHBURN, EDWIN B.: b. Hopkinton, Mass., 1838; s. Daniel B. and Sally; bootmaker; en. and m. Aug. 9, '64; 100 ds. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WELCH, JAMES: b. Co. Kilkenny, Ird., Mar. 8, 1824; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Dec. 11, '63, and m. Jan. 4, '64; 3 y. R. 57, Co. A, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

WELCH, JAMES: b. Waterford, Ird., Aug. 20, 1820; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. May 6, '61, and m. June 11; 3 y. R. 9, Co. E, pri.; ft. Hanover Ct. House, Mechanicsville, 7 ds. fight, first and second Fred'sburg, and Antietam; dis. Aug. 20, '63, Convalescent Camp, Va.

WELCH, RICHARD: b. Ird., 1842: ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 13, '61; 3 y. R. 11, Co. C, pri.; dis. June 10, '63, disability.

WELCH, THOMAS: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en Aug. 7, '61, and m. 28; 3 y. R. 19, Co. F, pri.; k. June 30, '62, at White Oak Swamp, Va.

WELCH, PATRICK D.: b. Ird., 1844; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Feb. 10, '64, and m. 18; 3 y. R. 57, Co. C, pri.; dis. July 30, '65, exp. ser.

WELLINGTON, EDWIN R.: b. Northfield, Vt., July 29, 1836; s. Lewis S. and Mary E.; bootmaker; en. July 23, '64, and m. 25; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. B, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser. En. again Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

WELLINGTON, SAMUEL R.: b. Braintree, Vt., Oct. 10, 1843; s. Levi S. and Mary E.; bootmaker; after a previous enlistment of 100 ds. for Somerville, en. for Mil. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

WHALING, MICHAEL: b. State of Me., Jan. 1, 1846; s. James and Bridget; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 7, '63; 3 y. R. 2, H. Artil., a recruit, pri.; no further record.

WHEELOCK, CALVIN: b. 1822; place and ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. Aug. 18, '62, and m. 25; 3 y. R. 36, Co. C, pri.; dis. June 8, '65, exp. ser.

WHELAN, RICHARD M.: b. Ird., Nov. 11, 1843; s. John and Mary; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

WHIPPLE, WILLIS: b. Smithfield, R. I., 1839; ptge. not given; student; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. April 15, '62; ft. Roanoke Island, Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Deep Gully, and Green Swamp, N. C.; dis. Aug. 16, '63, disability.

WHITCOMB, HENRY F.: b. 1843; place and ptge. not given; machinist; en. July 26, '61, and m. Aug. 24; 3 y. R. 18, Co. D, pri.; dis. Feb. 15, '64; counted on second en. quota Middleboro', Mass.

WHITE, PATRICK: b. Ird., 1836; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; dis. June 21, '64, exp. ser.

WHITE, GEORGE C.: b. Dublin, Ird., Mar. 13, 1839; s. Charles and Mary; bootmaker; en. and m. Dec. 13, '61; 3 y. R. 28, Co. K, pri.; ft. Fred'sburg, 2d Bull Run, James Island, Antietam, Gettysburg, Kelly's Ford, Chancellorsville, Culpeper, Warrenton Junction, Wilderness, No. Anna, Cold Harbor, Deep Bottom, Hatcher's Run, and front of Petersburg; wd. through right foot at Gettysburg, July 3; taken prisoner to Richmond, Va., 85 ds., then exchanged; prom. corpl. on James Island, and sergt. Aug. 18, '64; dis. Boston, Mass., Dec. 19, '64, exp. ser.

WHITING, HORACE G.: b. Franklin, Mass., 1839; s. Jairus and Mary H.; clerk; en. Sept. 7, '61, and m. Oct. 10; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; prom. corpl. Oct. 15, '61, and reduced to the ranks Oct. 9, '62; dis. July 1, 63, Cincinnati, O., by order Maj. Gen. Burnside, to accept promotion; ft. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N. C.

WHITNEY, GEORGE S.: b. Mil., Mass., Aug. 26, 1847; s. Otis and Joanna W.; clerk; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; stationed Forts Warren and Winthrop, Boston Harbor; dis. June 27, '65.

WIGGIN, JACOB E.: b. Franklin, Mass., Jan. 23, 1847; s. Stephen W. and Joanna; laborer; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. June 27, '65, Boston Harbor, close of war.

WILBUR, MILLEN TAFT: b. Providence, R. I., Jan. 25, 1835; s. Sayles and Ruth; machinist; en. Aug. 24, '64, and m. 29; 1 y. R. 2, Co. G, H. Artil., pri.; dis. June 26, '65, exp. ser.

WILKINSON, LEONIDAS J.: b. Mendon, Mass., Jan. 28, 1838; s. Alexander T. and Maria; machinist; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, corpl.; prom. sergt. Nov. 23, '62; present siege Yorktown; ft. Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Robinson's Field, Glendale, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, and Fred'sburg Dec. 13, '62; wd. at Fred'sburg; dis. at Boston, Mass., Feb. 24, '63, on acct. wds.

WILKINSON, EDWIN: b. Mendon, Mass., Feb. 19, 1836; s. Alexander T. and Maria; blacksmith; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. siege of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Robinson's Field, Glendale, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, and Chantilly; dis. Boston, Mass., Dec. 1, '62, on acct. wds. recd. battle Chantilly.

WILKINSON, WALTER: b. Mendon, Mass., Nov. 5, 1842; s. Alexander T. and Maria; bookkeeper; en. and m. June 21, '61; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; present siege Yorktown; k. battle Williamsburg, Va., May 5, '62, being the first soldier from Milford that was killed in battle.

WILLEY, BENJAMIN F.: b. Conway, N. H., July 25, 1844; s. Stephen and Hannah; bootmaker; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war.

WILLIAMS, DANIEL: b. Marlboro', Mass., 1817; s. Joseph and Mary; varnisher; en. Oct. 19, '61, and m. 30; 3 y. R. 25, Co. G, pri.; d. May 10, '62, in Milford, from wds. recd. in battle Roanoke Island, N. C.

WILLIAMS, WILLIAM: b. Mil., Mass., July 31, 1831; s. Harlow and Sarah; bootmaker; en. July 3, '61, and m. Nov. 14; 3 y. R. 29, Co. B, pri.; ft. Fair Oaks, 7 ds. fight, siege Vicksburg, Miss., and Jackson, Miss.; dis. July 4, '64, exp. ser.

WILLIAMS, FREDERICK G.: b. Mil., Mass., about 1844; s. Charles and Roxana; bootmaker; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser. En. and m. again Dec. 31, '64; 3 y. R. 3, Co. L, Cavalry, pri.; dis. Sept. 28, '65, close of war.

WILLIAMS, GEORGE F.: b. 1836; place not given; s. George W.; bookbinder; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WILLIS, CHARLES: b. Ird., 1839; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. June 11, '61; 3 y. R. 9, Co. H, pri.; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Dec. 29, '63.

WILLIS, REUBEN: b. Belchertown, Mass., 1842; s. Jacob and Siley; student; en. Sept. 16, '61, and m. Oct. 7; 3 y. R. 25, Co. B, pri.; present with his Co. Roanoke Island and Newbern, N.C.; dis. Nov. 21, '63, disability.

WILSON, SAMUEL: b. Mendon, Mass., June 21, 1834; s. Samuel and Celia Ann; bootmaker; en. July 24, '62, and m. Aug. 27; 3 y. R. 36, Co. F, pri.; dis. Boston, Mass., Mar. 14, '63, disability.

WOOD, PELEG E.: b. Gloucester, R. I., Dec. 21, 1838; s. Luther and Emily; bootmaker; en. June 9, '61, and m. 21; 3 y. R. 40, N. Y., Co. G, pri.; ft. Williamsburg and Fair Oaks; dis. camp near Fred'sburg, Va., Dec. 9, '62, on acct. of wd. by accidental discharge of a musket.

WOODS, CHARLES E.: b. Barre, Mass., 1835; s. Edward and Caroline; wheelwright; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, corpl.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WOOD, FRANK L.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Aug. 8, 1844; s. James and Mary; mechanic; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war. He had previously en. for New Bedford.

WOODS, FREDERICK H.: b. Mil., Mass., 1843; s. Edward and Caroline; en. and m. July 27, '64; 100 ds. R. 5, Co. G, pri.; dis. Nov. 16, '64, exp. ser.

WRIGHT, ALEXANDER S.: b. New Bedford, Mass., Nov. 13, 1846; s. Ebenezer S. and Lydia; mechanic; en. Nov. 19, '64, and m. 25; 1 y. Co. 19, unattached, pri.; dis. Boston Harbor, June 27, '65, close of war. He had previously en. for New Bedford.

WYNN, DANIEL: b. Co. Sligo, Ird., 1838; ptge. not given; bootmaker; en. and m. May 25, '61; 3 y. R. 2, Co. E, pri.; k. in battle at Antietam, Sept. 17, '62.

Thus ends the long story and record of Milford's martial patriotism. If her sacrifices and fruitages of warlike devotion are not glorious enough to satisfy the pride of her citizens, perhaps coming generations will make up the deficit. But their historian must be permitted to pray that the future may afford fewer opportunities for such expenditures of human life, blood, and treasure.

CHAPTER IX.

RELATING TO EDUCATION AND KINDRED MATTERS.

School Districts and their Changes. — Originally Four. — In 1784 divided into Eight, and bounded. — Altered in 1799. — In 1802 arranged into Six. — A Partial Revision in 1824. — The First District divided in 1829, and a Seventh created. — New Boundaries without Gores. — An Eighth District set off in 1836, called "Deer Brook." — In 1841 a New Division into Eleven Districts. — The Twelfth set off in 1847. — In 1851 the Twelve re-arranged into Eight, etc. — All abolished in 1854.

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SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND THEIR CHANGES.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

IN 1780, just previous to the incorporation of Milford, the parent town had eleven school districts. Of these the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth were within our territory, and were identical with highway districts. No change was immediately made in these four original districts. But in 1784 a committee, specially appointed by the Town, divided them into eight, as follows: —

"*First District.* Beginning at landlord Robinson's [who then kept the public house afterwards known as the Col. Godfrey tavern stand], including him; from thence to Mr. Frost's, including him; from thence to Elijah Thayer's, including him; from thence to Caleb Cheney's, including him; from thence to Nehemiah Beal's, including him; from thence to Caleb Boynton's, including him; from thence to Jacob Hayward's, including him; from thence to the first Bounds.

"*Second Dist.* Beginning at landlord Robinson's, excluding him; from thence to Saml. Albee's, including him; from thence to Daniel Hayward's, including him; from thence to Dea. John Chapin's, including him; from thence up to the Eight Rod Road; from thence to Moses Ramsdell's [now an old cellar-hole on John Mann's place], including him; from thence to Joseph

Jones's [Hopedale], excluding him; from thence to Aaron Merrifield's, including him; from thence to the first Bounds.

"*Third Dist.* Beginning at Daniel Hayward's, excluding him; then bounding on the Sec. Dist. to Mendon line; thence on Mendon line to Bellingham line; from thence to Josiah Wheelock's, including him; from thence to the first Bounds.

"*Fourth Dist.* Beginning at landlord Robinson's; from thence bounding Southerly on the Sec. Dist. to Mendon line; from thence to Upton line to Fisk's mills; from thence to Joseph Lesure's, including him; fromt hence to Moses Gage's, including him; from thence to Elijah Thayer's, excluding him; thence on the First District to the first Bounds.

"*Fifth Dist.* Beginning at Jacob Hayward's, including him; thence to Lieut. Seth Thayer's, including him; thenceto Boyce Kimball's, thence to Holliston line; thence to Bellingham line to Josiah Wheelock's, excluding him; thence to Warfield Hayward's, including him; thence to the first mentioned Bounds.

"*Sixth Dist.* Beginning at Jacob Hayward's; thence on the Fifth Dist. to Holliston line; thence on said Holliston line to Jesse Whitney's, excluding him; thence to Caleb Boynton's, excluding him; thence to the first Bounds.

"*Seventh Dist.* Beginning at Nehemiah Beal's, excluding him; thence to Mordecai Day's, including him; thence to Lieut. Jesse Whitney's, including him; thence to Holliston line; thence to Wales Cheney's, including him; thence to David Stearns's [later Ebenr. Sumner's], including him; thence to Azariah Newton's, including him; thence to Isaac Sheffield's, excluding him; thence on the Fourth Dist. to Moses Gage's, excluding him; thence to Caleb Cheney's, excluding him; thence to the first Bound.

"*Eighth Dist.* Beginning at Isaac Sheffield's; thence to Upton line; thence to Hopkinton line; thence to Wales Cheney's, excluding him; thence to Azariah Newton's, excluding him; thence to the first Bound.

"GERSHOM NELSON, JOSEPH CODY,
JOSEPH GIBBS, ELIJAH THAYER,
JOSIAH WHEELOCK, EBENR. SUMNER,
EBENR. READ. DAVID STEARNS,
Committee for Dividing the Town into Districts.

"MILFORD, November ye 1st, 1784.

"N.B. This is wholly for Schooling; nothing for highway work." (*Town Records*, vol. i., pp. 56–58.)

I have copied this report in full, not only for its intrinsic value, as showing how the town was districted for schooling soon after its incorporation; but as a study for such antiquarian readers as may be curious enough to exercise their ingenuity in ascertaining the situation and areas of the districts when first defined by the town, and also the dwelling-places of those citizens who are recorded as on the frontier lines. Thus it may be learned who have been their local suc-

cessors down to the present time, and some curious questions settled. For similar reasons, subsequent arrangements will be fully presented.

There have always been people here, as elsewhere, desirous of better public accommodations, who therefore petitioned for improvements. In response to such, the Town appointed a committee to revise the school-district lines. This committee reported, April 8, 1799, the following alterations; viz., "That the Seventh District extend as far south on the road that leads from Milford to Hopkinton, as the road that leads to Boston. That the First District extend as far eastwardly on the Boston road as where Lt. Whitney's road comes into Boston road, and as far westwardly as from Elijah Thayer's to the first stone bridge from Esq. Frost's to Alexander Scammell's; thence to Elihu Perry's, excluding him: thence as usual. That the Second District extend eastwardly to within 13½ rods of the bridge over Charles River, near Warfield Hayward's. That the Third District remain as it now is, except the above alteration. That the Eighth District extend as far south as the north-easterly corner of Samuel Jones, Esq's., homestead land; and that there be another District in said Town for highway work." [Specification omitted.] . . . "That David Jones be set from the Fourth to the Second District; [and] that Daniel Carter be set from the Seventh to the Eighth District." Report accepted, May 2, 1799. (*Records*, vol. ii., p. 29.)

Still, many inhabitants were dissatisfied, and made such complaints, that, three years later, a new arrangement was made, whereby the eight districts were resolved into six. This necessitated the removal of several schoolhouses to more convenient localities, which required the town to remunerate the districts for the cost of such removal. The committee on this subject had considerable difficulty about details in satisfying the town, but at length made a report which was accepted, April 5, 1802; viz., —

"That the Town be divided into Six Districts. That the North District be bounded as follows: beginning at Ebenezer Wood's, excluding him; thence to Col. Ichabod Thayer's, including him; thence to Ithiel Parkhurst's, excluding him; thence to Wales Cheney's, including him; thence to Hopkinton line to Upton line; thence on Upton line to the road leading from Ebenezer Wood's to Upton; thence on said road to the first mentioned bounds. West District: beginning at David Jones', excluding him; thence to Alexander Scammell's, excluding him; thence to Richard Colburn's, including him; thence to Col. Ichabod Thayer's, excluding him; then bounding on the North District to Upton line, and on Upton line to the road leading from David Jones' to Mendon; then to the first mentioned bounds. South-west District: beginning at Dr. Isaac Brigham's, including him; then to Stephen Kilburn's, including him; thence to Obadiah Wood's, including

him; thence to Jonathan Hayward's, excluding him; thence to Cornell's & Aldrich's, excluding them; thence on line due west to Mendon line, and on Mendon line to the road leading from Jones' to Mendon; thence to David Jones' and widow Ruth Jones', including them; thence to Alexander Scammell's, including him; thence to the first mentioned bounds. South District: beginning at Jonathan Hayward's, including him; thence to Joel Hayward's, including him; thence running east till it strikes the west line of the East District, and on said East District to Bellingham line, and on Bellingham line to Mendon, and on Mendon line to the boundary of the South-west District; thence to Cornell's & Aldrich's, including them; thence on the South-west District to the first mentioned bounds. East District: beginning at the north-westerly boundary of Bellingham; thence to Noah Wiswall's, including him; thence to Spruce Swamp; thence to Holliston line, and on Holliston line to Bellingham line, and on Bellingham line to the first mentioned bounds. Center District: beginning at Dr. Isaac Brigham's, excluding him; thence to Elijah Thayer's, including him; thence to Caleb Cheney's, including him; thence to Ithiel Parkhurst's, including him, thence to Wales Cheney's, excluding him; thence to Spruce Swamp near Holliston line; thence to Noah Wiswall's, excluding him; thence to David Stearns', including him; thence to Stephen Kilburn's, excluding him; then to the first mentioned bounds. It is recommended by the Committee, that the District which stands highest in the Valuation be the First District. Also that the Town appoint a Committee to settle matters between Districts in respect to the cost of moving schoolhouses, and that where any schoolhouse must be moved the Town pay the cost." The following vote, passed March 6, 1804, defines the situation and number of the six districts: "Voted to accept the Number of the Districts as follows: —

Center District, or Middle of the Town	First.
North Purchase (so called)	Second.
South Center, or South-west District	Third.
East District, or Bear Hill (so called)	Fourth.
West District	Fifth.
South District	Sixth."

(*Records*, vol. ii., p. 119, also p. 122.)

Scarcely any changes in the lines of the above-described districts were made during the ensuing twenty years. Then a project was started to get up a peculiar composite district in the neighborhood of "Wild Cat," so called. It was proposed that Milford, Holliston, and Hopkinton, each of whom had families in that neighborhood ill accommodated, should concur; but this was found impracticable, and the movement abandoned till several years later, when the boundaries of the three towns in that quarter had been re-adjusted by act of the Legislature. In 1824 a committee was appointed to revise school-district lines. That committee reported a few important changes, as follows: —

"First district: beginning at Dr. Isaac Brigham's, excluding him; thence to John Claflin's tavern house [the place formerly Stephen Kilburn's], excluding that; then to the old cellar-hole near the Cobb orchard; then to the old cellar-hole near the road on Bear Hill; then to the house formerly owned by Noah Wiswall, excluding that; then to Spruce Swamp on Hollis-ton line; then to Jesse Whitney's, including him; then to Ithiel Parkhurst's, including him; then to Caleb Cheney's, including him; then to Elijah Thayer's, including him; then to the first mentioned bound: the other School Districts bounding on the above mentioned line of the First, or Cen-ter District." Accepted Nov. 1, 1824. (*Records*, vol. ii., p. 416.)

Jan. 5, 1829, the Town voted to divide the first district, and constitute the westerly section the seventh. This division, and the fact that the former boundaries left out certain gores of territory, induced the appointment of a committee, one from each of the now seven districts, to define anew the lines. That committee reported as follows: —

"That the limits and boundaries of the several School Districts into which the Town is at present divided be established as follows: viz., The First or Center District, bounded by a line beginning at the north dwelling-house of Mr. Alexander Cheney, including the same; thence running due east to the line which bounds the Town; thence southerly on the Town line to a point near Spruce Swamp (so called) in Rocky Woods; thence to the dwell-ing-house of Mr. Charles Ballou, excluding the same; thence to the old cellar-hole on Bear Hill; thence to the old cellar-hole near Cobb orchard (so called); thence westerly to a point due east of the north end of the build-ings app endedto the hotél of John Claflin, Esq., and due south from the extreme south-west corner of the Heater Piece (so called); thence due north to the said corner of the Heater Piece; thence northerly on the road to the corner of the roads just northerly of the Hearse House to the dwelling-house of Miss Dilla Twitchell, excluding the same; and thence north-easterly to the first mentioned boundary point. The Second, or Purchase District, bounded east, north, and west by the boundary-line of the Town, and south by a line beginning at the point on Upton line where the same is intersected by a road which passes out of Milford by Mr. Ebenr. Wood's dwelling-house; from said point proceeding to the said Wood's house, excluding the same; thence easterly to the dwelling-house of Capt. Rufus Thayer, excluding the same; thence to the Col. Thayer dwelling-house, including the same; thence southerly to the dwelling-house of Mr. Caleb Cheney, excluding the same; thence north-easterly to the dwelling-house of Mr. Henry Ball, excluding the same; thence due east until it intersects the line of the First District; and thence following said line to its most north-easterly point on the Town line. The Third, or South-west District, bounded by a line beginning at the old cel-lar-hole near Cobb orchard (so called); thence running south-westerly to the dwelling-house of Mr. Ezekiel White, including the same, and thence due west to the Town line; thence following the said Town line northerly till it

reaches the road which passes by the Jones place out of Milford into Mendon; thence to the Davenport house, excluding the same; thence easterly to the dwelling-house of Daniel Scammell, including the same; thence to the Brigham house, including the same; thence to the north side of the buildings appended to the hotel of John Claflin, Esq.; thence due east to the line of the First District; and thence following said line to the first mentioned point near the Cobb orchard. The Fourth, or West District, bounded north by the Second, or Purchase District, east by a line beginning at the dwelling-house of Mr. Caleb Cheney, excluding the same; thence running southerly to Mr. Artemas Thayer's dwelling-house, excluding the same; thence due south to the north line of the Third, or South-west District; on the south bounded by said Third District, and on the west by the Town line. The Fifth, or East District, bounded on the east and south by the Town line, from a point beginning north near the Spruce Swamp in Rocky Woods, and ending south-west at a point made by the most north-westerly corner of the Town of Bellingham; bounded on the west by a line proceeding northerly from the said north-west corner of Bellingham to the old cellar-hole near Cobb orchard; and thence following the easterly boundary-line of the First District to the first-mentioned point near Spruce Swamp. The Sixth, or South District, bounded on the east by the Fifth District and the Town line, north-west and north by the Third District. The Seventh District, bounded on the north by the Second, or Purchase District, east by the First or Center District, south by the Third or South-west District, and west by the Fourth or West District.

"By the foregoing it will be seen that the new limits of the several School Districts are so adjusted as to leave no gores of land, as was before the case. It will also be seen that the following dwelling-houses have been placed within the limits of other Districts: viz., Mr. Alexander Cheney's two houses have been taken from the Second or Purchase District, and brought within the limits of the First District. The dwelling-houses of Lee Claflin, Henry Ball, and Henry Allen have also been taken off from the Second, or Purchase District, and brought within the limits of the Seventh District. Capt. Rufus Thayer has also been taken off from the Purchase District, and brought within the limits of the Fourth or West District. The Wiswall dwelling-house, formerly belonging to the East District, has been brought within the limits of the First District. The dwelling-house of Lieut. Isaac Davenport, formerly belonging to the South-west District, has been brought within the limits of the South District. And the Davenport dwelling-house, heretofore belonging to the Third District, has been brought within the limits of the Fourth, or West District. All which the Committee respectfully submit." Accepted Jan. 19, 1829. (*Records*, vol. iii., pp. 48–50.)

The next alteration worthy of mention was the creation of a new district in the north-east corner of the town, hereinbefore spoken of as the "Wild Cat" neighborhood. The lines of Holliston, Hopkinton, and Milford in that neighborhood had been rectified by the Gen.

Court; and our town gained a few families. All the families in that neighborhood were inconveniently distant from schoolhouses. It was very desirable for them to be made a separate district, and to have a schoolhouse. The only objection was, that they were too few to have a school of sufficient length, without drawing an overshare of school-money. However, in response to a petition of Alexander Cheney and others, the Town appointed a committee to consider the matter. That committee reported as follows: —

"That a School District be set off in the north-easterly part of said Town, to be called the Eighth School District, and bounded by the following lines: to wit, southerly on a line running east and west across the First District, from the line of the Fifth District to the line of the Seventh District, to strike the northernmost part of the barn lately owned by Stephen Sweet; thence on the line of the Seventh District to the house of Abel Clark, excluding said house; thence to Hopkinton line where the new line between Hopkinton and Milford crosses the old line; thence on Hopkinton line, Holliston line, and the line of the Fifth District, to the east end of the first-mentioned boundary line." Accepted, on condition that the new District would receive their proportion of school money, as had just then been arranged, May 9, 1836. According to the petition for this new district, it consisted of only eleven families when set off; whose paternal heads were Samuel Day, Rufus Claflin, Stephen Brown, Rufus Claflin, jun., Moses Adams, Henry Pearce, Aaron Hero, John Hero, Alexander Cheney, Jesse Whitney, and Hachaliah Whitney." (*Records*, vol. iii., pp. 182 and thereabouts.)

Fresh agitations soon after arose, and better accommodations for school privileges were importuned for. Some demanded to be set over to other districts, and many more to multiply the districts. This latter demand was at length conceded. One large committee reported a plan of division which did not quite satisfy the citizens. They therefore referred the subject to another large committee, who, with a few modifications, recommended the plan of their predecessors. Their report was accepted in 1841. It divided the town into eleven districts, as follows: —

"*District No. 1.* To commence at Cobb orchard (so called); thence to the old cellar on Bear Hill; thence to the old post-road east of the house occupied by Luther Holbrook; thence to the house of Zebadiah Flagg, including all the buildings belonging to him and D. S. Flagg within the limits herein described; thence to the junction of the old Cedar Swamp Pond with Charles River; thence southerly by said river to a point west of said Cobb orchard; thence east to the place of beginning.

"*No. 2.* To commence at Charles River at the south-west corner of No. 1; thence to the house of Lewis Johnson, including that; thence east of the houses of Amos B. Bridges and Benjamin Brown, to the fork of the

road near the house of Samuel A. Vant; thence east to Charles River to the place of beginning.

"*No. 3.* To commence at Charles River, at the south-west corner of No. 1; thence to the house of the late Col. Godfrey, including that; thence to the house of Sumner Pond, including that; thence to the fork of the road near the house of Samuel A. Vant; thence on line of No. 2 to the place of beginning.

"*No. 4.* "To commence at Mendon line, at the road leading from the house of the late Hastings Daniels to Mendon; thence on said line to the county-road leading from Milford to Mendon; thence to the house of Lyman S. Clark, including that; thence to the house of Isaac Davenport, excluding that; thence to Charles River, at the south-west corner of No. 1; thence by the line of No. 3 to its western angle; thence westerly to the place of beginning.

"*No. 5.* To commence at the stone monument, at the south end of the new Town line between Milford and Holliston; thence on the lines of Holliston, Medway, and Bellingham, to Charles River; thence northerly to the aforesaid Cobb orchard; thence on line of No. 1 to the north-east corner of that District; thence northerly to the place of beginning.

"*No. 6.* To commence at Mendon line, at the south-west corner of No. 4; thence on said line to Charles River; thence on said River to the south-west corner of No. 5; thence on line of No. 5 to the south-east corner of No. 1; thence on line of No. 1 to Charles River; thence on line of No. 4 to the place of beginning.

"*No. 7.* To commence at the bridge over Mill River, near the house of Ebenezer W. Wood; thence on the lines of Upton and Mendon to the south-west corner of No. 4; thence on line of No. 4 to the western angle of No. 3; thence to the house of Artemas Thayer, excluding that; thence to the house of John A. Clark, excluding that; thence to the house of Wid. Leland, including that; thence to the place of beginning.

"*No. 8.* To commence at the aforesaid bridge; thence by line of No. 7 to the house of John A. Clark, excluding that; thence to the house of Emery Sumner, including that; thence to the house of Aaron Partridge, including that; thence northerly to Mill River east of the buildings of Lyman P. Lowe; thence by said river to the place of beginning.

"*No. 9.* To commence at the stone monument in North Pond, at the north-west corner of Milford; thence easterly on Hopkinton line to a point north of the house of Abel Clark; thence south to a point east of the house of Wid. Trial Andrews; thence west to the west side of the house of the late Sylvester Wales, excluding that and the house of said Andrews; thence to the south-east corner of No. 8, excluding the house of John A. Clark; thence by line of No. 8 to Mill River; thence by said river and Upton line to the place of beginning.

"*No. 10.* To commence at the western angle of No. 3; thence by line of said District to its north-east corner; thence east on line of No. 2 to Charles River; thence by said river to north-west corner of No. 1; thence to the house of Abel Clark, including that; thence to the south-east corner of

No. 9; thence by line of No. 9 to the house of John A. Clark, including that; thence by line of No. 7 to the place of beginning.

"*No. 11.* To commence at north-east corner of No. 9; thence on Hopkinton line to the north-west corner of Holliston; thence on Holliston line to north-west corner of No. 5; thence by line of No. 5 to north-east corner of No. 1; thence by line of No. 1 to Charles River; thence by line of No. 10 to the place of beginning." Accepted March 2, 1841. (*Records*, vol. iii., p. 310.)

In 1847 another district was set off, numbered the Twelfth. The community at Hopedale had developed a new and considerable population within the limits of the Fourth District, in a portion of it where, in 1841, there were but two dwelling-houses. It was not only inconvenient for their children to attend school in the schoolhouse of No. 4, on account of distance and lack of room there, but the community felt bound by their religious principles to educate their rising generation apart from the existing public schools. For five years they supported a school for them at their own expense; but in the mean time, being fully taxed to maintain the town-schools, they deemed it just to receive back a part of their money for the education of their own children. They therefore asked for a territorial school district suited to their needs, at the same time promising to admit into their school, free ofcharge, the few children on their borders whose parents might desire it. After considerable delay, on account of objections made by certain citizens, their petition was almost unanimously granted by a vote passed Nov. 22, 1847. The boundaries of this new district were as follows: —

"Beginning at the south-easterly corner of the Hopedale estate, on the main road leading from Milford to Mendon; thence northerly with the fence which divides said estate from the lands of Sylvanus Adams, Newton Daniels, Stephen Cook and Daniell Scammell, till it strikes the old road leading from said Scammell's to Hopedale; thence north-easterly up said road to the easterly limits of Nathan Harris's estate; thence to the southern boundary of District No. 7; thence westerly with said boundary to Mendon line; thence southerly with said line to Post Lane, so called; thence easterly with said lane and the southern line of the Hopedale estate, by lands of Almon Harris and Nathaniel Bennett, to the main road first mentioned, a little east of the stone bridge over Mill River; and thence easterly to the place of beginning." (*Records of the Town*, 1847.)

All, or nearly all, these twelve districts were, first or last, legally organized with corporate powers, chose clerks, opened records, elected prudential committees, and managed their internal affairs to the extent allowed by the laws and votes of the Town for the time being;

but the rapid increase of population in Milford Centre, and the march of improvement in educational management, soon superinduced important changes. The High School was established in 1850; grammar schools and grading soon followed wherever practicable, under new arrangements. At the annual March meeting in 1851, the General School Committee were directed to investigate the subject of re-organizing the school districts, and grading the public schools. The article in the town-warrant, as referred to the committee, ran thus: —

"To see if the Town will take the management of the public schools in said Town, or act on a matter or thing concerning said schools, schoolhouses, or school districts in said Town, proper to be then and there acted on."

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

"1st, That the present School Districts, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10, be united and form one District, excepting so much of No. 4 as lies westerly of a straight line drawn from the south-east corner of District No. 12, near the bottom of the hill on the Mendon road, to the boundary of District No. 6, and intersecting a point forty rods south-west of Mr. Newell Nelson's house.

"2d, That the territory of No. 4, lying westerly of said line, be joined to and form a part of No. 12.

"3d, That the Districts be numbered as follows: The new District composed of Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10 (as hereinbefore described), shall be No. 1; the present No. 9 shall be No. 2; No. 11 shall be No. 3; No. 12 shall be No. 4; and the other Districts shall be numbered as they are.

"4th, That the Selectmen be authorized to rent to the new District, No. 1, the lower room of the High Schoolhouse, to be occupied by a grammar school of said District.

"5th, That the School Committee be instructed to grade the schools in such districts as they think proper, to establish the standard of admission to said schools, and to decide such other questions as may arise respecting the same.

"6th, That no children be allowed to attend the public schools who shall be under four years of age.

"7th, That the School Committee be authorized to expend for such apparatus as they may think necessary for the use of the High School, so much of the $1,500 raised for the support of said school as may not be required to defray its current expenses during the present year."

[The eighth recommendation, relating to appropriation of money, is deferred to another place.] Report accepted and adopted by the Town, July 11, 1851.

Finally the history of our school districts ends with their entire abolition as corporate bodies. So much dissatisfaction still prevailed, that the Town, at a meeting held May 25, 1853, appointed a special

committee to consider and report on the expediency of abolishing the districts. That committee consisted of Leander Holbrook, J. T. Woodbury, C. F. Chapin, Henry Chapin, A. J. Sumner, Nelson Parkhurst, and Adin Ballou. Their report culminated in the following

RESOLUTIONS (*Draughted by Me*).

"By the people of Milford, in legal town meeting assembled, April 3, 1854: *Resolved*, —

"1. That all the school districts now existing within the limits of said town ought to be, and hereby are, abolished.

"2. That all the duties heretofore devolving on said districts, relating to school houses and school affairs, ought to be, and hereby are, assumed by the Town.

"3. That the several schoolhouses and all other property belonging to the said districts respectively ought to be fairly appraised, and the certified valuation thereof placed on the town records, by the selectmen, within sixty days from the present date; and they are hereby instructed to act accordingly.

"4. That the taxable inhabitants residing within the territorial limits of the several abolished districts which have schoolhouses or other property subject to appraisal ought, within seven years from the present date, to receive such a remission of their taxes as shall equitably reimburse to them the appraised value of said property; and the Town is hereby pledged to make all necessary provision accordingly.

"5. That all the corporate records and papers of the said abolished districts ought to be deposited in the Town Clerk's office for permanent preservation within sixty days from he present date; and the Town Clerk is hereby instructed to collect and take charge of them accordingly.

"6. That in abolishing the school districts, and assuming for itself the entire management of educational affairs, the Town ought to guarantee to all the exterior school localities a larger amount of schooling than they have heretofore enjoyed under the district system, so that the very smallest of them shall be provided with a good school for at least twenty-four weeks, of five days each, in every year, and the more populous of them in reasonable proportion; and the General School Committee are hereby permanently instructed to conduct their arrangements accordingly.

"7. That the declared wishes of the people in each school locality, respecting their own school affairs, ought to be complied with by the Town and by the General School Committee, so far as the same can be done without violating the laws of the Commonwealth, the rights of other localities, and the general educational welfare.

"8. That the foregoing Resolves, with their guaranties and pledges, shall be held sacred by the Town, and shall guide the proceedings of its officers in all matters therein specified, until the same shall have been rescinded or changed in a legal town meeting, acting under an article in the warrant for that express purpose."

The committee's report was received with general favor; and the foregoing Resolves unanimously passed, April 3, 1854. (See Town Records, vol. iv., pp. 408, 409.) The proper town authorities forthwith assumed control of the affairs assigned to them; the existing schoolhouses were appraised; and the new order of things became permanently established. And I believe that the town's management of our educational interests has given general satisfaction.

SCHOOLHOUSES AND EXPENDITURES.

I find no satisfactory evidence that there was a single schoolhouse on our territory at the time of the town's incorporation in 1780. My friend Alexander H. Allen, well versed in the records of Mendon, was confident that only two then existed in the whole mother-town, both of which were within the limits of its ancient seat. One was authorized to be built in the Easterly Precinct, not long after it was set off as such; and in 1750 the Precinct voted to erect it. It was to be sixteen feet square, with seven-feet posts. But after ten years of fruitless endeavor, on the part of a few anxious friends of education, to get this vote actualized, the opposing majority rescinded it. So this projected grand temple of learning never graced the Precinct centre. It seems to be almost certain, that, previous to 1780, all our schools were kept in dwelling-houses, or in adjacent out-buildings extemporized for that purpose. Four such have been reported to me, and doubtless there were several others. The late Henry Chapin, of venerable age, just before his sudden death in 1876, mentioned two of them among the reminiscences handed down from his father, Adams Chapin, Esq. The latter was, in his day, a very intelligent and influential townsman. While yet in his early teens, he attended a school kept in an ancient domicil built by his grandfather, Seth Chapin, jun. It stood on a gentle swell of land, some forty rods or more south of what is now called Hopedale Corner, on the east side of the street. The foundation was obliterated several years since. One term of that school was memorable for having been taught by the celebrated Alexander Scammell, afterwards adjutant-general of Washington's army. Adams Chapin always spoke of that school with the warmest enthusiasm, as affording him the finest scholastic privilege of his youth. The schoolroom was a rude concern, fitted up with plank seats on blocks, and writing-counters supported by empty barrels, with every thing else to match. But the teacher, oh, he was a paragon! a star of the first magnitude, and almost worshipped by his pupils. He had been fitted for college by Parson Frost, perhaps had just entered Harvard U. (for this must have been between 1763

and '65). He was stately, handsome, commanding, sprightly, and genial. His instructions, methods, and discipline were never to be forgotten by those who enjoyed his inspiring drill. His admiring panegyrist got such a start under his tuition, that he himself was presently sought after as a schoolmaster, serving several years acceptably in that vocation. At the age of fifteen he was invited to teach in the humble home of his uncle Moses Chapin, next dwelling-house north of our present asylum for the poor. The accommodations were even ruder and poorer than where Scammell had taught. The house was small, low, and cramped: all its doors hung on wooden hinges. Some fifteen scholars had scanty room, and the family were squeezed into the closest quarters. But there was sunshine on all faces, and the school was a pleasing success. Subsequently young Chapin taught in a long, narrow abode that stood at the junction of what are now called Greene and Elm Sts., in its south-west corner. Fifty years ago it was occupied by the widow Lawrence. It was once owned, I think, by James Sumner, Esq. The schoolmaster used to tell, with pride, that there he taught the alphabet to his young cousin, Stephen Chapin, who was then an unlettered boy of eight years, but who afterwards graduated at H. U., became a distinguished Doctor of Divinity, and closed his eminent career as president of Columbian College at the national capital. In those days, or not long afterwards, Elijah Thayer rented a portion of his house, on the place lately owned by Justin E. Eames, as a district schoolroom. This is indicated by an item in an old Mendon treasurer's book, which shows that he was paid for such an accommodation.

The first mention of schoolhouses on our town records bears date Mar. 1, 1791; nearly eleven yrs. after the incorporation: "Voted to raise £240 [about $800] to build and repair schoolhouses in the Town of Milford, and each District to pay their own cost." This proves that there were some schoolhouses here in 1791; but how many, or where located, we can only guess: probably in two or three of the most populous districts, and those very cheap, ill-constructed edifices. How many were built or repaired in consequence of the above vote, does not appear. Subsequent entries imply that its results were meagre; for, after several attempts to render it effective, a motion was made and carried at the May meeting of 1797: "To call the rate-bills out of the constable's hands, which were made for building and repairing schoolhouses." From this I infer that only a part, if any, of the money assessed was ever collected. From all I can learn, it is probable that the First or Middle District erected our

earliest schoolhouse. It originally stood near the junction of Spruce and Congress Sts., now so called. But, some little time after the eight school districts were re-arranged into six, it was moved down to the west side of now Purchase St., a few rods north of the George Howe place. The re-arrangement was made, as elsewhere stated, in 1802. On Aug. 30 of that year it was "Voted to choose a Committee for the purpose of moving the schoolhouse in the Middle District, and to agree with Bear Hill District for their damage, or move their schoolhouse." In 1807 this matter was settled by paying the Middle District a hundred dollars, and Bear Hill fifty dollars. What became of the Middle District House, in the process of subsequent changes, will be told in its place. As to the Bear Hill District, tradition says it had originally two inferior schoolhouses, — one near the Timothy Wiswall place, just west of the remaining cellar-hole, and the other in the ancient Elias Whitney neighborhood. Just how this was, is a little uncertain. Doubtless the extremes of the district, north and south, rendered it convenient to have its school kept alternately at these places. But that there were really two regular district schoolhouses, is improbable, as none of the records speak of more than one. It is likely, however, that two buildings were sometimes used for greater convenience; one of them being merely hired, or occupied by sufferance. Meantime North Purchase, South Milford, and the City districts, as also the Second, then so called, had each a schoolhouse of some sort, but doubtless all humble structures. The Second District became dissatisfied with theirs, and, having legally organized, April 2, 1800, "Voted to build a new schoolhouse in said district. Voted to build said schoolhouse twenty-four feet long and twenty wide. Voted to raise £65 [or about $216.46], exclusive of what the old schoolhouse will fetch. Then chose Lt. Ephraim Chapin, Majr. Saml. Nelson, and Mr. Elihu Perry, a committee to superintend the building of the schoolhouse. Voted to build a brick chimney, set it at the end, and also to have an entry like the schoolhouse in the 1st District. Voted to leave it to the Committee to make the best use of the old schoolhouse, — either to sell it, or use it in building the new one. Voted to build a studded house. Voted not to put in the old windows. Voted to build a straight roof. Voted to plane the clapboards and color the house. Stephen Chapin to give a privilege of so much land in his pasture as shall be necessary for setting the schoolhouse and a yard for wood, etc.; said privilege to be only for the use of a schoolhouse, — not for any other use. Voted to set the schoolhouse in Stephen Chapin's pasture, on or near a ledgy knoll by the road." At an adjournment in the autumn, probably after the

house had been nearly or quite completed, "Voted to raise twenty-six dollars to pay for building the schoolhouse." Ephraim Chapin, moderator, Adams Chapin, clerk. (*Town Records*, vol. ii., p. 46.) [1] I have given these proceedings as a sample of school-district action respecting schoolhouses in those days and downward. This is the oldest record of the kind I have been able to find. Probably the first generation of schoolhouses were built with comparatively informal preparations. The one above voted stood on the ledgy knoll at the present junction of Adin with Main St., in the northerly corner. It was burnt down after midnight, in the early morning of Nov. 13, 1831. Mr. William A. Phipps of Hopkinton had just commenced teaching the winter term of the school. In 1832, at the cost of over five hundred dollars, the District built its successor, at the junction of Prospect with Main St., in the southerly corner. This was somewhat larger than its predecessor, painted yellow, and ornamented on its easterly end with the picture of a clock-dial, the hands indicating nine A.M. precisely. Hence it was familiarly called sometimes "the yellow," and sometimes "the nine-o'clock," schoolhouse. Later, under a different arrangement of districts, it was moved down the hill to a lot of land between Main and Thayer Sts: this was in 1854. Subsequently it was superseded by a much more commodious structure in the same vicinity, now in use. The "nine-o'clock house" is still standing, just south of Mann's Boot Manufactory, metamorphosed into a small family tenement. Burnt, with said factory, May 18, 1881.

The North Purchase District, according to tradition, had first a little schoolhouse that stood on the old road, now Tyler St., above Eben. Next, it built one that stood near the Methodist meeting-house, above the John Cheney place, on the east side of the road. I taught school in that house two winters, 1824–25 and 1828–29. It was of the then common fashion, perhaps thirty by twenty-five feet in dimension, posts of tolerable height, with a small porch, and a chimney at the north end. It had an an ample open fireplace for heating-purposes, which in cold weather consumed enormous supplies of wood, sometimes half roasting the nearest sitters, and leaving the most distant to shiver, except when permitted, under a "please, sir," request, to take their turns for a warming. That house would seat, in the style of those days, seventy-five or eighty pupils. I have tried in vain to learn the date of its erection, probably between 1800 and 1810. It was burnt about Dec. 20, 1830. The District took early action for building a new house on land

[1] I have been told, on good authority, that the old schoolhouse above referred to stood on what is now called Cortland St., in the valley towards South Main St.

offered by Josiah Ball on the east side of the road, about twenty-five rods northerly of Haven St. junction. They voted to build of brick, thirty-one by twenty-four feet, and completed it in 1832 at a cost of about five hundred and twenty-four dollars. It is still in use for the convenience of N. Purchase Primary School. The present commodious grammar schoolhouse in that neighborhood was erected by the Town in 1864, at a total cost of $2,607.13.

The Bear Hill District, concerning which I have already said that tradition credited it with two old-time schoolhouses, is recorded to have built a new one in 1820. At a legal meeting May 13, 1820, Jacob Hayward, moderator, Arial Bragg, clerk, "Voted to build a schoolhouse, and to raise three hundred and forty dollars for that purpose, including the note of fifty dollars" given by the Town pursuant to the indemnity vote of 1807 on account of re-arranging the districts. That house was large enough to accommodate at least sixty scholars, and was located, by an outside committee chosen by the district, on the west side of now Beaver St., a few rods southwardly from the Jacob Hayward place. I taught school in it during the winter of 1825–26. It was superseded in 1859 by two nice houses in the northerly and southerly sections of the district; being itself sold and removed or demolished.

The City District, so called, held on to its original schoolhouse rather tenaciously. It stood on the old Upton road, now Asylum St., about midway between the terminus of that street, near a famous large rock. Some of the inhabitants wanted a new house in 1821; but it was finally decided, in legal meetings, to repair the old one. This was done by raising the little structure fifteen inches, adding a porch eight feet square, and rejuvenating it thoroughly inside and out at a cost of a hundred and sixty-six dollars. Thus it was made to last, with incidental repairs, till 1845, when the present house on West St. was erected by the District at a cost of five hundred dollars or thereabouts.

The South Milford District had an original schoolhouse of very humble pretensions, which stood at the south-west corner of the graveyard, on the spot now occupied by the Warfield lots and monuments, or thereabouts. I have been unable to find any record or aged person to tell me the date of its erection. I can only guess at 1790, perhaps a little earlier, or a little later. But its next successor, ten rods farther south, was built in 1813 or 1814, probably in 1814. My friend Joseph Albee remembered so much distinctly; also that Samuel Penniman, Saml. Warfield, sen., and Joel Howard were the building committee; that Zuriel Howard took the contract

of construction for three hundred dollars; and that Nahum Legg taught the first winter school therein, 1814–15. I have not found the proper confirmatory records, but have no doubts.

When District No. 1 (which included most of Milford Centre, so called) was divided, in 1829, the easterly portion retained the numerical designation, and was known for many ensuing years as the First School District. The westerly portion was designated as No. 7, and held the ancient schoolhouse that stood a little northerly of the George Howe place, — the same that had been formerly moved thither from near the junction of Congress and Spruce Sts. No. 1 forthwith built a new house on Main St., on the Plain, nearly opposite the Amasa Parkhurst place. It cost a fraction over four hundred and sixty-six dollars. I taught the first school ever kept in it, during the winter months of 1829–30. It ultimately became too small to accommodate the increase of scholars, was superseded by more ample houses in the vicinity between 1859 and '71, and then sold. It was converted into a dwelling-house, and still stands not far from its former site.

District No. 8, "Deer Brook," set off in 1836, kept its first school in John Hero's shop. It built its little edifice in 1837. April 17, 1837, "Voted to build a new schoolhouse seventeen by fifteen feet, eight-feet posts, either brick or wood." Alexander Cheney, Moses Adams, and John Hero, building committee. Nine rods of land bought for ten dollars, of John Hero. The house was considerably improved a few years later. Total cost, about three hundred dollars.

The Silver Hill Schoolhouse was erected by the district then called No. 8, in 1841. Rufus Thayer, William W. Legg, and Augustus Thayer, building committee. Land deeded by Rufus Thayer, solely for school purposes, Nov. 23, 1841. Total cost, five hundred and fifty dollars.

District No. 10, formerly the northern section of No. 7, inherited the old schoolhouse, before twice mentioned as standing a little northerly of the George Howe place on Purchase St. It sold this relic of antiquity for a small sum to Gershom Twitchell in 1841, who removed it to a part of the old Twitchell estate on Congress St., fitted it up for a domicil, and therein ended his days. The same year, 1841, the District built what is called the Fountain St. Schoolhouse, at the cost of six hundred and five dollars. This house is still in use.

District No. 3, which, by the arrangement of 1841, was largely constituted of the former No. 7, this same year purchased the edifice known as *the academy*, for the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars.

This afforded accommodations for two schools, one in the lower and the other in the upper story. It served the district for several years, till superseded by more desirable structures. Also the same year District No. 2, created under that year's districting arrangement, by combining portions of the former Nos. 1 and 7, erected a two-story schoolhouse near the Brick Church. This cost the District over fifteen hundred dollars. How much over, I could not readily ascertain; perhaps considerable, as it was appraised at fifteen hundred dollars when it passed over into town possession in 1854.

I believe no more schoolhouses were built by the districts; but they continued to keep their respective houses in repair, at greater or less expense, till the spring of 1854. Then, as hereinbefore stated, the districts were abolished as corporate bodies, and the town took possession of all their property. I herewith present a copy of the selectmen's

SCHOOLHOUSE APPRAISAL.

"The following is the appraisal of the several Schoolhouses in the town of Milford, as appraised by us the subscribers, agreeable to a vote of said town passed on the third day of April, 1854.

"Old No. 1, near wid. [Amasa] Parkhurst's	$450
No. 2, near Brick Church	1,500
No. 3, Old Academy	1,500
No. 4, near Obed Daniels's	375
No. 5, Bear Hill	375
No. 6, South Milford	150
No. 7, City	400
No. 8, Silver Hill	516
No. 9, No. Purchase	550
No. 10, [Fountain St.] near Crosby's	500
No. 11, [Deer Brook] Wild Cat	275

"A. J. SUMNER,
OBED DANIELS,
ZIBA THAYER,
Selectmen of Milford.

"MILFORD, May 10, 1854."

The total of this appraisal seems to be $6,591. No. 12, Hopedale, owned no schoolhouse. It hired the old *Schoolhouse Chapel*, so called, for some years. The law provided that the inhabitants of the several districts should receive back their equitable dues out of this appraisal in subsequent abatements of their taxes; and thus matters were soon satisfactorily adjusted.

Next in order comes the establishment of the High School, and the erection of its edifice. The town had for some time been under legal obligation to set up this school; and the foremost friends of education

(among whom Gen. Orison Underwood deserves mention) were anxious to see it accomplished. But the dread of expense, and the difficulty of securing equitable advantages to the outlying portions of our population, very much embarrassed the proposition. There were many conflicting opinions on the subject. At length, on the 18th Sept., 1848, the town appointed a committee to consider and report what was expedient to be done. This committee consisted of Adin Ballou, Preston Pond, J. Whitman, jun., George W. Stacy, and A. J. Sumner. We gave the matter a very careful and thorough consideration, agreed on all essential points, and finally made our report, Nov. 13, 1848. The town accepted our work with much favor, passed a vote of thanks, and ordered six hundred copies of the report to be printed. The movement went forward thenceforth to its consummation, with only some unpleasant friction of opinion about the location. A fine site was ere long selected, and a respectable house erected, with a much more liberal outfit than its early movers had dared to anticipate. The establishment was finished and in running order early in November, 1850. The building and appurtenances, aside from the land purchased for site, cost about $5,790, if I have correctly noted the figures of the selectmen's annual report.

The schoolhouses erected since the abolition of corporate districts are the following: —

1. In South Milford, north of the cemetery, 1855; wood, one story, twenty-eight feet by forty, and twelve feet posts, with chairs for fifty-six scholars, and ten or fifteen more if necessary; work done by Lowell Fales. The site, about three-fourths of an acre, cost $60.12, and the house, underpinning and all, $1,491. All its conveniences modern and ample. The former house was sold to Joseph Albee for $125, and converted into a dwelling. It occupies precisely its old position.

2. The Grammar Schoolhouse, near junction of Fruit and Main Sts.; brick walls, voted to be thirty-nine feet by seventy, two stories high, with four co-equal rooms; built in 1858; a very commodious and substantial edifice. Cost $4,577.43; and its furnishings, $735.71.

3. Primary Schoolhouse in Hoboken, so called, *alias* Danielsville; built 1858, of one story, wood. The cost of this building with its site, if I understand the selectmen's annual report for 1858–59, was $1,060.37.

4. Primary Schoolhouse in the southerly section of Bear-Hill district; built 1859, of wood, one story, in the Whitney neighborhood. Cost of site, building, etc., a little over $800.

5. Primary Schoolhouse in the northerly section of Bear-Hill dis-

trict, known as Braggville; built 1859, of wood, one story, on the west side of E. Main St. Cost somewhat over $1,000.

6. North Grammar Schoolhouse on the Plain, in the neighborhood at one time called Jonesville; completed and dedicated, May, 1860; built of wood, about the same size as the South Grammar Schoolhouse, corner of Fruit and Main Sts., capacious and convenient. Cost of site, building, etc., about $6,000.

7. Primary Schoolhouse on West St., in the neighborhood known as Whistly Beer; built 1860–61, of wood, one story high, with two good-sized rooms. Cost of site, building, etc., $2,000.

8. Grammar Schoolhouse on Walnut St.; erected in 1864, of wood, large and commodious, substantial and convenient. Exact total cost of site, building, fixtures, and furniture, $10,355.08.

9. Grammar Schoolhouse in North Milford, *alias* North Purchase; erected also in 1864, of wood, planned with reference to a second story when needed; a neat, attractive structure, of ample dimensions for the time being. Exact cost of site, edifice, fixtures, and furniture, $2,607.13.

10. Primary Schoolhouse on Chapin St., sometimes called the Sandbank House, was completed early in 1867. It was built of wood, one story, with two ample rooms for primaries; and, with its site, furniture, etc., cost in round numbers, about $5,000.

11. The Hopedale Grammar and Primary Schoolhouse was completed and opened early in 1868. It is of wood, one story, with dimensions affording accommodations for both a grammar and a primary school. Cost of site, construction, fixtures, etc., $5,000.

12. Primary Schoolhouse on the Plain, close by the North Grammar edifice. It was built of wood, a two-story structure, of ample dimensions, and deemed an improvement on preceding models; was completed in 1870, at a total cost of about $4,550.03.

13. The Claflin Primary Schoolhouse, a stately and commodious edifice, was mainly constructed in 1870, but not ready for use till the spring term of 1871. The School Committee, in their annual report for 1870–71, thus speak of it: "At the April meeting [1870], the Town also appropriated $10,000 toward the erection of a large schoolhouse on ground owned by the Town, lying near the Milford and Woonsocket R.R. Depot. The Building Committee contracted with Mr. James Bergin for an edifice as large on the ground as the Central Grammar Schools, to be furnished with a French roof, affording room for six schools, those on the upper floor to be of upper and not primary grades. The contract was to be completed before the close of February. The total cost of the edifice, including the furniture and

laying-out of the grounds, will be $15,137.50. It already presents itself to the public as a thing not only of use, but beauty, while its cost, in view of its capacity, is moderate indeed. At the beginning of the coming spring term, Primary Schools Nos. 3 and 8 will be removed from the old academy to the new house, and such new schools opened as necessity may demand." This was done in 1871, and the old academy-building sold to the highest bidder. The purchaser removed it from the parish common to Green St., and adapted it to private uses. This brings the history of our public school-houses down to the present time.

SCHOOL MONEYS AND MANAGEMENT.

Our town, at its incorporation, was entitled to its proportion of Mendon school-money, which was derived from the sale of common-lands, originally devoted to school purposes when the lots of the town-seat were laid out. That proportion was according to valuation of taxable estates; but its exact amount I have striven in vain to ascertain. Either it was so mixed up in the settlements with other moneys as to be indistinguishable, or I overlooked it in my examinations of those documents. I am sure, however, that it was comparatively small. Nor do I clearly understand from the records what became of it. My impression is, that most of it was dissipated in the fluctuations of paper money. Whatever of it was saved doubtless enured to the benefit of the feeble district schools; being intermingled with the annual appropriations made for schooling. The mother-town, for many years previous to our separation from it, had eleven school districts, four of which were on our territory. Comparatively small annual amounts were raised for schooling, and these were distributed among the districts according to what they severally paid of the school-tax. I infer that our selectmen followed this rule from 1780 to 1800. Oct. 20, of the last-named year, the Town "voted to divide the school money in said town equally unto each district," being then eight in number. The next year the same vote was repeated, with a restriction that "the scholars be confined to their own districts for schooling." This rule of dividing the school-money continued in practice till 1835; then it was changed so as to give one-half equally to the districts, and the other half *pro rata* to the scholars. At the same time the prudential committees were required to render, in a return, the number of scholars in their several districts between the ages of three years and twenty-one. When it was found that the small new district in "Wild Cat" neighborhood, alias "Deer Brook," must be set off, a proviso was added to the recent

rule; viz., "that no district shall draw more than twenty-three cents, nor none less than fourteen cents, to a scholar between said ages, on each hundred dollars appropriated; and any district not having a sufficient number to entitle it to an equal share of one-half of said money shall draw in proportion [that] the number of persons between said ages bears to said extremes, and to the said persons in the other districts." This passed May 9, 1836, and the new district came in on condition of accepting its proportion of money under the proviso. No very important modifications of this rule followed till the more populous district schools began to be graded, nor, indeed, till after the districts were abolished, in 1854. Since then the General School Committee have from year to year endeavored to make the distribution of moneys as equitable as the difficult nature of the case allowed; always, I believe, favoring as much as they reasonably could the frontier and smaller schools.

THE MONEYS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION

have consisted chiefly of specific annual appropriations by the Town; but in 1834 the legislature established the *Massachusetts School Fund* in permanency, never to exceed one million dollars. This fund was created out of revenues derived partly from the sale of public lands in Maine, and partly from the payment of military claims on the United States for Massachusetts services. A considerable portion of the income of this fund has been annually distributed among the cities and towns of the Commonwealth for the benefit of common schools, in the ratio of the number of their respective children from five to fifteen years of age; i.e., on condition of compliance with certain legal requirements. Milford has been drawing its due proportion of this income from year to year since the State began to disburse it. This, however, though helpful and acceptable, has constituted but a comparatively small portion of our school money.

The first apportionment of the State school fund, as noted on our treasurer's books, was, —

For the year ending March 5,	1836	$42 32
Ten years later	1846	95 74
" "	1856	272 17
" "	1866	583 75
" "	1876	468 25
" "	1881	303 11

The moneys raised by the town for schooling youth, since its incorporation, from year to year, are as follows (in dollars and cents): —

In 1780 (almost worthless paper currency)	$3,333 33⅓
1781 (silver)	66 67⅔
1782 to '89 (good currency)	100 00
1790, '91, and '92	133 33
1793 to '96	200 00
1796	233 33
1797 to 1804	266 67
1805 to '11	300 00
1811 to '24	400 00
1825	500 00
1826, '27, and '28	400 00
1829, '30, '31, and '32	500 00
1833	600 00
1834 and '35	700 00
1836 to '40	800 00
1841, '42, and '43	1,000 00
1844 and '45	1,200 00
1846	2,000 00
1847, '48, and '49	1,400 00
1850	1,500 00
1851 (for both district and high schools)	4,500 00
1852 " " " "	3,700 00
1853 to '58 " " "	4,500 00
1859 " " "	6,000 00
1860 " " "	7,000 00
1861 " " "	8,500 00
1862 " " " (war-time)	6,000 00
1863 " " "	8,500 00
1864 and '65 " " "	10,000 00
1866 " " "	14,000 00
1867, '68, and '69 " " "	15,000 00
1870 " " "	16,000 00
1871 to 1877 " " "	18,000 00
1878 " " "	16,000 00
1879 " " "	16,000 00
1880 " " "	16,500 00

It should be understood that the foregoing annual appropriations were made exclusively to pay teachers, though formerly in part perhaps to keep schoolrooms suitably warmed, etc., for the comfort of their occupants. For building, repairing, and taking care of schoolhouses, or otherwise providing schoolrooms, and for various incidental expenses relating to the management of school affairs, specific appropriations have been made, either in former times by the corporate districts, or latterly by the Town. For the items grouped under the term "incidental expenses," I notice that in recent years the

Town has made an annual appropriation of between two and three thousand dollars. I have not deemed it necessary to ascertain and present the annual expenditures of the Town falling under this head of *Incidentals for Schools*. They first arose in connection with the High School in 1850, and grew rapidly after the Town assumed the responsibility of running all the schools, on the abolition of school districts in 1854. For some years they were paid out of general appropriations for town charges. Afterwards specific appropriations for school incidentals were annually made. This sort of appropriation is now made to cover care of schoolhouses, fuel, superintendent's salary, and almost every thing but the erection of schoolhouses and payment of teachers. The total school appropriations for 1880 were over twenty-two thousand dollars.

In former days, the summer schools were taught by females, and the winter terms by males. A gradual revolution has given female teachers a large predominance in the whole field of instruction. This demonstrates a salutary development of intellectual, moral, and social progress. The old-time compensation of teachers was comparatively meagre, and has undergone a marked improvement. Half a century ago, female teachers got from one to two dollars per week and board; the latter being struck off in district meeting to the lowest bidder at a low figure, — say fifty cents and upwards per week. The compensation of male teachers, at the same date, ranged all the way from three to seven dollars per week, and board from one to two dollars. Still earlier, the principal families in a district, by agreement, boarded the teacher gratis to lengthen out the school, each keeping him or her a certain number of days. This was called "boarding round," and was generally well enjoyed by all parties. Meantime, firewood, the only fuel of those days, was either landed at the schoolhouse gratis, in gross condition, and worked into burning order — often a pretty coarse order — by the large school-lads during recess, or vendued in district meeting to the lowest bidder at from one to two dollars per cord, ready for the fire. But those antique economies have passed away, and during the last ten years the compensation of teachers has been three to ten fold in advance of the old prices (perhaps none too large), and most other school expenditures in proportion.

The number of educable children in town at various periods, as defined by law, — i.e., children and youth between three and sixteen years of age, or, according to a later prescription, between five and fifteen years old, — is as follows. They began to be enumerated carefully, I think, in 1835, or thereabouts. If we could trace them backward from that period to 1780, their number must seem fractionally small.

In 1835 it was	. . . . .	255, or thereabouts.
1845 "	. . . . .	578
1855 "	. . . . .	1,330
1865 "	. . . . .	2,262
1875 "	. . . . .	2,219

I find in printed reports of the school committee which have come under my examination some interesting statements, showing the comparative expenditures of the town for schooling with those of other towns in the Commonwealth, and the ratio per scholar, which I will briefly quote. In the report for 1848–49 the committee say: "We are far behind many towns in this Commonwealth. There are two hundred and ten towns which raise more for each person between four and sixteen years of age than this town. The town of Brookline stands first on the list, which raises $852, while we raise but $211; and, while the average of schooling throughout the State is seven months nineteen days for each district, it is here but five months two days." In their report for the year ending March 1, 1854, the committee say: "The facilities for public education in Milford are greater than in most towns of the Commonwealth, and the town has only to continue its present liberal policy towards the schools to make them equal to those of any town." "Six years ago, the utmost length of our public schools in a year was from fourteen to twenty weeks; now it is from six to eleven months. For the liberality of her school appropriations, as compared with her valuation, Milford stands among the first towns in the State; very few, if any, surpass us. From the base of the pyramid she has rapidly ascended over her less enterprising sisters to be the crowning stone." The report for 1861–62 closes thus: "In conclusion, the committee are pleased to be able to report that the schools of Milford are progressing with sure and steady course to a condition of proficiency which shall make them the pride of the inhabitants, and monuments of the foresight and liberality of this generation." The report for 1862–63 opens with the following: "The town appropriated for schools, at its annual meeting in March, 1862, $6,000. The number of children in town, between the ages of five and fifteen years, is 2,048; thus allowing the sum of $2.929 to each. For 1859–60 the town appropriated $4.155 to each child between the ages of five and fifteen years; and even then there were in the State one hundred and eighty-one towns which appropriated more for each child than Milford, and twenty-eight in the county of Worcester." "Two hundred and fourteen towns in the State appropriated, for the year 1860–61, $4.00 or upwards for each child between the ages of five and fifteen years. In order to allow

that sum in this town the coming year, it will require an appropriation of about $8,500. This is the sum we, as a committee, feel bound to recommend." It was granted accordingly; and the subsequent annual appropriations grew larger for many ensuing years, whereof most of the succeeding reports spoke in congratulatory terms. That of 1869–70 says: "Your committee would congratulate you on the present prosperous condition of your schools. Throughout the town, almost without exception, the schools are in better condition, with respect to modes of instruction, discipline, advancement in studies, in fact, in all that goes to make profitable and efficient schools, than those of the committee who have been longest on the board remember to have observed before." The more recent reports are generally commendatory and cheerful.

Our town started with four school districts, a few improvised tenement school-rooms, uncouthly furnished, and half a dozen imperfectly qualified and poorly-paid teachers. Behold now its amplitude of commodious educational edifices, its forty-odd schools of all grades, from the high downward, and its host of accomplished teachers, all reputably supported by liberal appropriations. In its infancy, it deemed it burdensome to raise $66.67 for schooling. In its maturity, it ungrudgingly raises $22,000.

Perhaps there are some who might be interested in a full list of our Milford teachers' names, from 1780 down to the present; but, even if I could ascertain them all, my space would probably be better occupied. I shall therefore present only those of the high school, who have officiated since its establishment as principals and assistants.

SUCCESSION FROM THE COMMENCEMENT, NOV. 12, 1850.

PRINCIPALS.	ASSISTANTS.
Rev. Elias Nason, to 1852.	S. Adelaide Scott.
Alfred W. Pike, to 1853.	" "
Sylvester J. Sawyer.	Kate K. Barker.
" "	M. J. Dyer.
" " to 1856.	Caroline M. Baker.
Grove P. Jenks, to 1857.	" "
J. R. Draper, to 1858.	A. J. Gove.
Charles J. White, to 1860.	Sarah E. Cole.
D. B. Sanborn, to 1861.	" "
Ruel B. Clarke, to 1862.	Mary E. Torrey.
" " 1862.	Martha Cotton.
" " to 1865.	Lucy S. Lord.
Frank A. Hill, 1865.	" " Two assistants now.
" " 1865.	Ellen M. Patrick.

Frank A. Hill,	to 1870.	Carrie M. Clapp.
Silas W. Hale,	1871.	" "
" "	1871.	Clara M. Howard.
" "	1871.	Mary B. Smith.
" "	1871.	Lucy M. Wilber.
" "	1871.	Anna M. Bancroft.
" "	1871. (Resigned June 24, 1880.)	Lydia B. Godfrey.
Herbert W. Lull,	Sept., 1880.	Frank B. Sherburne, *Sub-Master.*
" "	" "	Anna M. Bancroft, *Assistant.*
" "	1881.	Mary A. Parkhurst, *Assistant.*

GENERAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

According to our town records, Milford chose no General School Committee until March 3, 1795, — nearly fifteen years after incorporation. It then elected six, who stood till 1798. Since that date, with one or two exceptions, such a committee has been annually chosen, consisting of from three to eight members. The following is a list of their names, and the years for which they were elected to serve: —

Elijah Thayer, 1795, '96, '97.
James Mellen, Col., 1795, '96, '97.
Dr. Elias Parkman, 1795, '96, '97, 1806.
Ebenezer Read, 1795, '96, '97.
James Perry, 1795, '96, '97.
Oliver Daniell, 1795, '96, '97.
Samuel Jones, Col. and Esq., 1795, '98, '99, 1801, '02, '03, '04, '06, '07, '08.
Dea. Edmund Bowker, 1795, '96, '97, 1812.
David Stearns, 1798, '99, 1811.
Dea. Robert Sanders, jun., 1798, '99, 1802, '03, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08.
Ichabod Thayer, Col., 1801.
Ziba Holbrook, 1802.
Samuel Penniman, jun., Maj., 1801, '03, '04, '08, '12, '13, '15, '24.
Pearley Hunt, Maj. and Esq., 1803, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '12, '13, '14, '16, '17, '18, '21, '22, '23, '24, '35.
Adams Chapin, Esq., 1803, '04.
Dea. Ithiel Parkhurst, 1805, '25.
Samuel Daniell, 1803, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '11, '12, '15, '21, '22, '23, '24, '27, '28, '30, '34.
David Jones, 1805, '06.
Ichabod Corbett, 1805.
Dea. Amos Chapin, 1807, '08, '12, '15, '16, '20, '26.
Joel Hayward, 1807.
Newell Nelson, Esq., 1809, '23, '24.
Dea. Seth Nelson, jun., 1810, '11.
John Claflin, Maj. and Esq., 1810, '21, '22.

Jonathan Thayer, Esq., 1811.
William Godfrey, 1811, '23, '26, '31.
Samuel Nelson, Col., 1811.
Elijah Legg, 1812, '13, '14, '15, '16, '18.
Simeon Nelson, 1813.
Dr. Gustavus D. Peck, 1813, '14, '17, '18, '25, '26, '28, '30, '31, '32, '33.
Arial Bragg, Col., 1813.
Arteman Hill, 1814.
Otis Albee, 1814.
Henry Nelson, Capt., 1814, '15, '21, '22, '24.
Nahum Legg, 1815, '16, '17, '20, '21, '22, '23, '24, '32.
Joel Holbrook, 1816, '20.
Samuel Warfield, jun., 1816.
Artemas Thayer, 1820.
Ellis Sumner, Esq., 1820.
Samuel Leeds, 1820, '21, '22.
Samuel L. Scammell, Col., Esq., 1825.
Isaac Davenport, Esq., 1823, '25, '26, '28, '29, '30, '31, '32, '33, '35, 36, '38, '39, '40, '48.
Jonathan Whitney, 1825.
Joseph Webb, 1825.
Rev. David Long, 1826, '27, '28, '29, '30, '31, '32, '33, '34, '35, '36, '37, '38, '39, '40, '41, '42, '43, '44, '45, '46, '47, '48.
Rev. Thomas W. Tucker, 1827.
Lee Claflin, Hon., 1827, '29.
Henry Chapin, 1827, '29, '33, '51, '52, '53.
Rufus Thayer, Capt., 1828.
Dr. Albert J. Bellows, 1829.
Adin Ballou, 1830, '31.
Charles Thurber, A.M., 1832.
William R. Thayer, 1833, '34, '36.
Dr. Addison S. Peck, 1834, '35, '36.
James M. Nelson, 1835.
Reuel A. Cleveland, 1836.
Dr. Allen C. Fay, 1837, '57, '58.
Andrew J. Sumner, Esq., 1837, '38, '39, '40, '44.
Rev. William Bell, 1842.
John G. Gilbert, 1843.
Rev. Benjamin H. Davis, 1845.
Lemuel Parkhurst, 1846.
Dr. John H. Hero, 1846.
Rev. Henry E. Hempstead, 1847.
Rev. Preston Pond, 1847, '48, '49.
Rev. Joseph Whitman, 1849, '52.
Rev. Henry A. Eaton, 1850.
Rev. George W. Stacy, 1851.
Rev. C. W. Ainsworth, 1851.

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Otis Parkhurst, jun., Esq , 1851.
Rev. James T. Woodbury, 1853, '54, '55.
Rev. D. H. Plumb, 1854.
Albert A. Cook, Hon., 1855, '57, '65, '66, '67.
Rev. Leonard Wakefield, 1855.
Rev. Lyman Maynard, 1856.
Winslow Battles, Hon., 1856, '59, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64.
Rev. James R. Johnson, 1857.
Rev. Levi A. Abbott, 1857, '58.
Hamilton B. Staples, Esq., 1858, '59, '60, '61.
John S. Scammell, Esq., 1859.
Leander Holbrook, Esq., 1841, '42, '43, '44, '45, '49, '50, '51, '52, '53, '54, '56, '59, '60, '61, '62, '63.
George G. Parker, Esq., 1859, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67, '68, '69, '70, '79, etc.
Herman H. Bowers, 1859, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '67, '68, '69, '70, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75.
Dea. Hiram Carpenter, 1860, '61, '62.
Amos Holbrook, Esq , 1860, '61.
Rev. George Hill, 1862, '63, '64.
Rev. Joseph Ricker, 1863, '64, '65.
James H. Putnam, 1864, '65, '66.
John S. Mead, Esq., 1865, '66, '67.
George E. Stacy, 1866, '67, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78.
Edwin Battles, 1866, '67.
William F. Draper, Gen. and Esq., 1866.
Henry E. Fales, Esq., 1867, '68.
Rev. George G. Jones, 1867.
Delano Patrick, 1867, '68.
Dr. Thomas W. Flatley, 1870, '71, '72.
Charles J. Thomson, 1868, '69, '70, '71, '72, '73, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80, '81, etc.
Rev. Gerherdus L. Demarest, 1868, '69, '70, '71, '72, '73.
Mrs. M. J. C. Russell, 1870, '71, '72, '73, '74.
Mrs. A. A. Cook, 1872.
Charles A. Dewey, Esq., 1871, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80.
Rev. Merrill Richardson, D.D., 1872, '73.
Charles E. Whitney, 1874, '75, '76, '77.
Rev. James T. Canavan, 1874, '75, '76, on to '80.
Matthew Callanan, 1875, '76, '77.
Zibeon C. Field, 1878, '79, '80, '81.
George W. Johnson, 1878, '79, '80, '81.
Joseph F. Hickey, 1880, '81, etc.

IMPROVEMENTS IN EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT.

Massachusetts may be said to have led the civilized world in the institution and progress of *free public schools*. Its first distinctive law requiring the establishment and maintenance of such schools dates back to 1647. Its population and wealth were then small indeed, and its methods of educational management correspondingly crude. The march of improvement was naturally very slow for a long time, — certainly for one hundred and fifty years. After emerging from the sufferings, losses, and impoverishment of the Revolution, it experienced marked acceleration. The present century opened auspiciously, and a series of educational advances followed. In 1837 the State Board of Education was established, and soon thereafter that great apostle of common-school education, Horace Mann, was made secretary. This was a magnificent upward stride. Thenceforth a salutary succession of improvements was continuously developed in respect to every thing that belonged to the management of our free public schools. This is not the place to specify or enumerate those manifold improvements. It is sufficient to say, that Milford has done itself honor, as well as profit, by a liberal adoption of them. The General School Committee has been conspicuous, for many years, in introducing, recommending, and promoting them; and the town has generously furnished the requisite pecuniary resources. Their published reports bear testimony to these facts. I wish more care and pains had been taken to preserve those reports in a compact form; for they could not fail to be both interesting and instructive to posterity. Yet I am sorry to say that I have been unable to find a considerable number of the earlier ones. Probably they might be looked up by long and diligent search.

The oldest printed document ever issued by any committee, to my knowledge, bears the following title-page: "Regulations for the District Schools in Milford, Mass. Ballou & Stacy, Printers, 1830–31." It is dated Dec. 13, 1830, and bears the names of David Long, Adin Ballou, Gustavus D. Peck, Samuel Daniell, and Isaac Davenport, school committee. It was draughted, if I rightly remember, by Rev. Mr. Long, and unanimously adopted by his colleagues, with very slight modifications. The first annual report, according to the town records, ever ordered to be printed, was that of 1840–41. Of that, four hundred copies were issued. I have been unable to find a copy of it. Whether all the annual reports thenceforth were ordered to be printed, I am not certain; but I think nearly all of them have been. For a long time the duties of the general

committee were much mixed up with those of the district prudential committees. But since the latter ceased, with the abolition of corporate school districts in 1854, the former has had the entire control. It soon became one of our most important boards of town officers. Its importance and responsibilities have augmented from that time to the present. I might go into many prominent particulars respecting its regulations, methods, and proceedings, but will content myself with a simple allusion to its recent appointment of a superintendent of public schools. With the sanction of the town, the committee confided a large share of their customary duties, for 1877, etc., to their appointee, Mr. John W. Simonds. His two annual reports, as superintendent, for the year ending Feb. 20, 1878, '79, were duly published. They are clear, able, and suggestive documents. His services commenced Sept. 1, 1877, and continued two years. He was then succeeded by Mr. John W. Allard. Mr. Simonds had the arduous responsibility of a pioneer in this superintendency, in which he must needs bring order out of chaos, and could hardly surmount all the obstacles without incurring some dissent. His successor had the advantage of preceding experiments, as well as large experience elsewhere, and seems to give unexceptionable satisfaction. Mr. Simonds received a salary of twelve hundred dollars. Mr. Allard's is now fifteen hundred dollars. Under both administrations the office has proved not only educationally, but pecuniarily, economical to the town.

MISCELLANIES OF AN EDUCATIONAL NATURE.

Among these it seems proper to notice some of the select seminaries and private schools maintained within our town limits at various periods since 1780. These have been numerous, in different grades, all the way through. Many of them were of an ordinary stamp, — mere district-schools eked out by voluntary contribution, after expenditure of public moneys. Others have been kept in private houses by male and female teachers, sometimes for primary instruction in the rudimental branches, and sometimes for the tuition of select classes in the higher branches. I cannot be very ample or accurate under this head; for I have not made a sufficiently thorough investigation into details. I have been traditionally told much that warrants me to speak as I have in general terms. It is believed that Rev. Amariah Frost was at one period accustomed to have select students whom he fitted for college or the professions, or gave them at least a partially academic education. Rev. David Long also received into his house many children or youth for instruction. Rev. Jacob Frieze, the second Universalist minister, kept a small select school for several

months in the ancient Ebenezer Sumner house, which he tenanted of Esq. Hunt. I presume he taught only the common and higher branches of English scholarship. I officiated in the same way, more or less, for several years, either in my own house or elsewhere. Miss Roxana Rawson, in later times the wife of Dea. Peter Rockwood, has been reported to me as an early private as well as district-school teacher of good success and repute. But one of the most distinguished teachers of a select school was Miss Abigail Faxon Thayer, from Braintree. She taught her famous little seminary through a series of terms during the years 1819, 1821, and 1822. She taught, all but the close of her last term, at the place now owned by Joseph L. Clark, having some twenty-five to thirty pupils out of the foremost families. From the enthusiastic admiration and affection in which those speak of her who shared in the privileges of her school, among whom my wife, Lucy Hunt Ballou, was one, she must have been, for that time, a very enterprising, competent, and accomplished preceptress. She was alike eminent for dignity, discipline, and versatility of scholarship; teaching not only the higher English branches, and some of the artistic ones, but polite and graceful deportment. She made her mark, as an efficient educator, on her scholars, on their homes, and on the social circles in which she fitted them to appear to better advantage. She returned to her native vicinage, and taught in various places with success and renown. She seems to be remembered by her few surviving pupils in this general neighborhood with very high respect and love.

Milford Academy was another institution, of much higher rank and pretensions, which must not be forgotten. It originated in the laudable ambition of a few enterprising citizens, mostly belonging to the Congregational parish, who desired to institute facilities for a higher grade of education in their own vicinage, equal, if possible, to those in distant towns whither they had so long been obliged to send their sons and daughters for instruction. The proprietors constituted themselves a joint-stock association, raising their capital in shares of $50. William Godfrey, John Claflin, jun., Nathan Wood, and their associates obtained an act of incorporation from Gen. Ct., Feb. 11, 1828, as the "Milford Academy." The whole number of shares was 33, making a capital stock of $1,650. The institution was opened, I think, in the autumn of 1828, and continued in operation some twelve years. Its succession of preceptors were Ira Cleveland, jun., Henry Mellen Chamberlain, Charles Thurber, a Mr. Morse, a Mr. Gorman, a Mr. Wilmarth, Daniel Perry, a Miss Clark, and Charles R. Train. Not proving so much of a success as hoped, the estab-

lishment was sold in 1841, by its then proprietors, to school district No. 3, for $825; i.e., for half the first cost, or $25 per share. In 1854 it was turned over to the town for $1,500. It was superseded by the Claflin Schoolhouse in 1871, and, as we have seen, sold at auction, or at least the buildings, for private use.

In this connection I may properly mention the *Hopedale Home School* of later date, first under the preceptorship of Mr. Morgan L. Bloom and wife, and much longer under that of Rev. William S. Heywood and wife. This select seminary, in its most successful phases, will be respectfully and pleasantly remembered by most of those who enjoyed the privileges of its tuition. It should be stated also, that the Hopedale community, from 1842 to 1848, maintained almost continuous common schools at their own expense, while being taxed to support those of the town at large. Still later, Hopedale sustained successive select schools of a reputable order, under excellent female instructors, besides interluding and prolonging their district school by private contribution for many years. A select private seminary has recently been instituted in Samuel Walker's part of the village, taught originally by Miss Olive Twitchell, who has been succeeded by Miss Carrie N. Potter, and is prospering. In Milford Centre there have nearly always been private schools, of higher or lower grade, which have been well patronized, notwithstanding the seeming amplitude and rising excellence of our public ones. Among these three deserve special mention as now in successful operation: viz., Mrs. Mary J. Morgan's Kindergarten, Miss Ellen M. Ayres's for ordinary branches, and Miss A. C. Scammell's of last-named grade. Quite lately the Catholic Parochial Seminary has been instituted in the Centre. It is under the general supervision of Rev. Father Cuddihy, aims chiefly at female education, has competent teachers, is numerously attended, well patronized, and very successful.

Nor should it be forgotten, that, during the whole century of our municipal existence, children and youth, in considerable numbers, have been sent to seminaries, academies, and colleges abroad, for tuition. This has always been comparatively expensive; and doubtless, if we could arrive at the amount of moneys paid out for it, we should be surprised at the formidable aggregate. Many thus educated abroad, some of whom have won distinction, are not on record as college graduates, because either they did not complete the requisite prescribed course of studies, or some technicality excluded them. Such I must pass over, as also our numerous graduates from the State Normal Schools, instituted to qualify teachers. Others must be left

to the credit of adjacent towns, though parishioners and ch. members here. Perhaps I may be allowed to mention one such case, that of Cornelius Jones, son of John Jones, jun., and grandson of our Eld. John Jones. His father removed to Bellingham, where Cornelius was born. Yet the father still remained a parishioner of our Easterly Precinct, and Cornelius grew up a baptized child and member of Rev. Mr. Frost's ch. Well, he graduated at Harvard University in 1752, studied divinity, and became the first settled minister of a crude township, then known as "No. 3," but which is now the principal portion of Sandisfield. With such cases, however, I will not further meddle; confining my list of names to persons either born or mainly nurtured on our territory, who have regularly graduated at some college, or received some honorary or scholastic degree from such an institution. It has required considerable pains to ascertain and collect these names; and I fear that, after all, my list leaves out a few who have escaped my research. If my catalogue seems scanty, it is not my fault.

Name.	Parents.	Born.	Institution.	Year.	Notes.
Alexander Scammell	Dr. Samuel L. and Jane Libbey	1744	Harvard University	1769	Adj.-Gen., U. S. Army.
Amariah Frost, jun.	Rev. Amariah and Esther Messenger	Feb. 5, 1749–50	Harvard University	1770	Justice Peace, etc.
Elias Penniman	Lieut. Samuel and Huldah White	Dec. 1, 1748	Brown University	1774	Physician, etc.
Jonathan Thayer	Elijah and Sarah Robinson	Jan. 27, 1779	Brown University	1803	Lawyer, Probate Judge, etc.
Elias Frost	Rev. Amariah and Susanna Dorr	Jan. 10, 1782	Brown University	1804	Physician, etc.
Stephen Chapin	Stephen and Rachel Rawson	Nov. 4, 1778	Harvard University	1804	D.D., President Columbian College.
Amasa Thayer	Elijah and Sarah Robinson	Aug. 28, 1788	Harvard University	1810	Lawyer, Westerloo, N.Y.
Moses Hunt	Daniel and Mary Phillips	April 13, 1788	Harvard University	1811	Law-student, died 1814.
Lemuel Parkhurst	Nathaniel and Sarah Brown	Jan. 2, 1788	Brown University	1814	Lawyer, Palmyra, N.Y.
Ezra Hunt	Daniel and Mary Phillips	April 7, 1790	Harvard University	1815	Lawyer and Judge in Missouri.
Penuel Corbett	John and Lydia Cheney	Mar. 8, 1789	Harvard University	1817	Lifelong Educator.
Zebina Thayer	Seth and Sarah Holbrook	Oct. 31, 1794	Yale College	1817	Drowned in Mississippi River.
Ira Cleveland, jun.	Ira and Mehetabel Battelle	Feb. 1, 1802	Brown University	1825	Lawyer, etc., Dedham.
Addison Sumner Peck	Dr. Gustavus D. and Sally Perry	July 9, 1810	Harvard University	1831	Degree M.D., Physician.
Albert Hobart Nelson	Dr. John and Lucinda Parkhurst	Mar. 12, 1812	Harvard University	1832	Lawyer, State Judge, etc.
Obadiah Wheelock Albee	Moses and Lucretia Howard	Mar. 24, 1808	Brown University	1832	Educator, State Senator, etc.
Otis Parkhurst, jun.	Otis and Sarah Jones	Dec. 1, 1809	Union College	1835	Student law; died, 1854.
John Stearns Scammell	Col. Samuel L. and Emily Stearns	May 26, 1816	Brown University	1837	Milford's earliest lawyer.
Adin Ballou Underwood	Gen. Orison and Hannah B. Cheney	May 19, 1828	Brown University	1849	Lawyer, General in late war, etc.
Martin Stoddard Howard	Jotham and Mary A. White	Aug. 22, 1829	Amherst College	1855	Congregationalist Clergyman.
Daniel Thurber Nelson	F. Drake and Lydia T. Pond	Sept. 16, 1839	Amherst College	1861	Physician, Chicago, Ill.
Horace Parker	Nathaniel and Martha Rockwood	Nov. 16, 1835	Amherst College	1861	Congregationalist Clergyman.
Melvin Augustus Underwood	Gen. Orison and Hannah B. Cheney	April 17, 1844	Harvard University	1866	Insurance Agent, etc.
William Claflin	Hon. Lee and Sarah Adams	Mar. 6, 1818	Wesleyan University	1868	Gov., LL.D., Harvard Univ., 1869.
John Henry Claflin	Isaac S. and Eliza Legg	Jan. 3, 1843	Tufts College	1864	Died early, deeply lamented.
Henry Willard Bragg	Willard and Hopestill H. Claflin	Dec. 11, 1841	Tufts College	1859	Lawyer in Boston.
Edwin Silas Tingley	Silas and Rosina Hawkins	Aug. 23, 1834	Bangor Theo. Sem.	187	Congregationalist Clergyman.
Jerome Wilmarth	Dr. Butler and Phila Osgood	Dec. 10, 1831	Harvard Univ. Med.	1866	Physician in Upton.
George Homer Ball	Homer T. and Maria L. Sherman	Sept. 17, 1848	Harvard University	1869	Lawyer in Worcester.

COLLEGE GRADUATES, ETC.— *Concluded.*

Name.	Parents.	Born.	Institution.	Year.	Notes.
Leander Holbrook, jun.	Leander, Esq., and Elizabeth C. Parkhurst	Dec. 31, 1849	Harvard University	1872	Lawyer in Milford.
George Henry Young	Charles and Roxana Batcheler	Mar. 14, 1841	Meadville Theo. Sem.	1864	Unitarian Clergyman.
Frank Linnæus Young	Charles and Roxana Batcheler	Nov. 20, 1852	Brown University	1877	In commerce.
Charles A. Daniels	Obed and Harriet E. Chapin	Mar. 13, 1834	Harvard University	1859	Professional Educator.
Michael Joseph Supple	Adam and Catherine Coughlin	Feb. 25, 1840	All Hallows College	1862	Priest, Pastor, Charlestown, Mass.
James Nicholas Supple	Adam and Catherine Coughlin	Jan. 19, 1850	Holy Cross	. . .	Vicar, Pastor, Charlestown, Mass.
James Edward Keating	Peter and Mary Darmondy	Aug. 10, 1856	Harvard Med. Law	1879	M.D., Natick, Mass.
Daniel Webster Moriarty	John and Mary F. Barry	Sept. 2, 1857	Boston College	1879	Student Divinity, Quebec.
William Francis O'Callahan	William and Ellen Flynn	Mar. 27, 1856	Harvard University	1880	Lawyer, New York City.
David Francis McGrath	Edward and Mary Kearsey	Aug. 15, 1845	Holy Cross College	1870	Priest, Pastor, Leicester, Mass.
Michael Joseph Carroll	Richard and Catherine Davis	June 19, 1851	Holy Cross College	1876	Asst. Priest, Northampton, Mass.
Patrick Henry Gullen	Michael and Mary Murphy	Mar. 17, 1855	St. Bonaventure Coll.	1878	Priest, Springfield, Mass.
John Joseph Cochran	John and Mary E. Middleton	June 24, 1853	Columbia, N.Y.	1875	M.D., U. S. Army.
Herbert Henry Lyons	Michael and Honora	Nov. 5, 1855	Boston College	1878	Soon graduate M.D.
Samuel Newell Nelson	Newell N. and Harriet N. Johnson	May 19, 1856	Harvard University	1878	Soon graduate M.D.
Frank O. Carpenter	Hiram and Augusta C.	. . .	Harvard University	. . .	
George Henry Clark	John A. and Dorinda Scammell	Oct. 29, 1850	Wesleyan University	. . .	Methodist Clergyman.
William Henry Judson	Andrew W. and Lucy B. Matthews	June 27, 1854	Jefferson Med. Coll.	1878	Physician.

Our High School is entitled to the honor of having fitted a large number of its pupils for college, and the professional institutes, and so of starting them into their career of professional usefulness. It will be seen, too, that our Irish-Americans are largely represented in the closing portion of the above catalogue. These are all said to be doing eminently well in their chosen callings, as priests, lawyers, and physicians. I suspect I have failed to obtain the names of several in this class, but not for want of pains. I regret not having been told the positions which most of them occupy in society, so as to specify it better opposite their names. If my readers knew the amount and peculiarity of labor which this list of less than fifty graduates has cost me, they would worthily appreciate it. Yet it seems a small performance.

THE TOWN LIBRARY.

It remains that I give some account of the public library, which very handsomely surmounts as a dome the structure of our educational instrumentalities. Down to the year 1858, Milford was comparatively ill supplied with any thing fit to be called a library. A few families had small private libraries, decent perhaps of their grade, but not adaptable to circulation. Whether there ever was a circulating library in town worthy of mention, I am not informed. Perhaps there have been a few collections of that nature, but they were of little account. In 1842, or thereabouts, under a law recommended by the State Board of Education, all, or nearly all, our school districts taxed themselves to establish libraries within their respective limits; but these were small, and soon fell into neglect. They quite failed to realize the expectations of their projectors or the people. In 1858 several influential citizens proposed to establish a reputable library on a "stock-company" basis. Mr. Edwin Battles, then an enterprising townsman, with others, urged them to change their plan, and use their influence for a free town library, in accordance with a then recent statute of the State. Nevertheless the joint-stock library was nominally established.[1] But Mr. Battles and his sympathizers held a meeting in the police-court room in behalf of a public free library, with such success that their proposition soon prevailed. A committee was appointed, of which Mr. Battles was chairman, to push the matter, petition the selectmen to call a town-meeting, and prepare a series of motions to be submitted to said meeting. The town-meeting was held Aug. 30, 1858, and the propositions moved (draughted by Mr. Battles) were carried with little or no opposition. They were as follows: —

[1] It was soon superseded by that of the town, and its incipient collection of books sold off.

"1st, That the town do establish and maintain a public library under the statute of 1851, chapter 305.

"2d, That the town do appropriate the full sum of money which it is by law authorized to grant, to establish a public library; to wit, as many dollars as there were ratable polls in Milford in the enumeration of 1857.

"3d, That the town proceed to choose a board of thirteen trustees, who shall have full authority to do all legal and necessary acts, to purchase a town library, to make by-laws, and appoint officers for the same, with power to fill all vacancies in their own body; and this board shall continue in office till the next annual March meeting, and until others are chosen in their stead.

"4th, That all by-laws proposed by said trustees shall be submitted to the town for its ratification.

"5th, The following named persons were chosen said trustees: Andrew J. Sumner, Elias Whitney, John G. Gilbert, H. B. Staples, B. Wood, George W. Stacy, Francis Leland, Edwin Battles, H. H. Bowers, Daniel S. Chapin, J. R. Davis, Charles C. Johnson, and Dwight Russell.

"6th, That the treasurer of the town be authorized to borrow the sum of one thousand dollars for the purchase of books and for fitting up a room or rooms for the town library, and hold the same subject to the order of the selectmen.

"7th, That the selectmen draw the money for the town library at the request or order of the trustees of the same."

The trustees immediately proceeded with the necessary steps of organization, and reported promptly to the town an appropriate code of by-laws, rules, and regulations, which were ratified at a legal meeting, Nov. 8, 1858, and have remained in force, with slight amendments, ever since. They were well draughted, judicious, and practical. Mr. Battles is entitled, I believe, to the credit of having been their draughtsman. It is hardly necessary for me to incorporate them with the text of this work, as they have been printed in such enduring forms as never to perish or become inaccessible to interested inquirers. Thus the "Milford Town Library" was inaugurated, has been generously sustained in succeeding years, has been admirably managed, and has proved in all respects a triumphant success. Liberal annual appropriations have generally been made to its support by the town, with only a few exceptions under severe pressures of public burden. Able boards of thirteen trustees have been regularly elected, whose executive officers have uniformly rendered efficient service, and whose annual reports to the town have been very satisfactory. The following tabular statement, made from such printed reports as were at my command, exhibits creditably the progress of the library's operations and development: —

Years.	Catalogued Vols.	No. of Takers.	Whole No. Loans.	No. Vols. Lost.
1861–62 . . .	2,363	1,854	17,038	22
1862–63 . . .	2,574	1,839	21,390	55 in all.
1863–64 . . .	2,593	1,694	17,976	51
1864–65 . . .	2,748	2,046	21,253	55
1865–66 . . .	2,810	1,911	20,169	62
1866–67 . . .	3,002	1,821	20,648	50
1867–68 . . .	3,057	1,885	20,701	11
1868–69 . . .	3,270	Not given.	21,530	36
1869–70 . . .	3,422	1,880	18,049	58
1872–73 . . .	3,965	1,592	21,599	2
1873–74 . . .	3,765	1,400	20,101	22
1874–75 . . .	4,419	Not given.	27,762	Not given.
1875–76 . . .	4,764	"	34,046	"
1876–77 . . .	4,961	"	37,184	"
1877–78 . . .	5,277	"	35,562	"
1878–79 . . .	5,585	"	36,306	"

There have been ten or more successive librarians, several of whose names follow: George H. Young, A. C. Withington, James R. Davis, George B. Blake, Joseph Parker, William H. Lothrop, Frank L. Smith, A. H. Smith, George P. Smith, Nathaniel F. Blake. The report of 1878–79 shows the steadily increasing amplitude, prosperity, and popular influence of the library, with its cognate reading-room only recently added.

OUR PRESS AND LITERATURE.

Our first printing-office was opened by Ballou & Stacy, toward the close of 1830; George W. Stacy, printer. It was located in an apartment of William Godfrey's shed-loft, then standing on the west side of the parish common. Thence the writer, as editor and proprietor, issued No. 1, Vol. I., of a religious weekly paper, entitled "Independent Messenger." It was a fair-sized sheet of five columns, and was the organ of the Independent Restorationists, who were then separating from the Universalists of the no-future-retribution school. The first number bore date Saturday, Jan. 1, 1831. Early in the ensuing April the establishment — press, paper, printer, and editor — removed to Mendon.

No other printing, to my knowledge, was done in Milford till May 28, 1842, at Hopedale. There the same printer and editor re-appeared, under the auspices of the Community, then just commencing operations. The Community friends had already published Vols. I. and II.

of a semi-monthly religious paper, entitled "The Practical Christian;" but it had been dated "Mendon," and printed at such offices in different places as seemed most convenient. At the above date it commenced Vol. III. in Hopedale; and there it continued to be printed for eighteen years, until finally suspended at the close of Vol. XX. The writer was its principal editor; but it had several assistant editors, and most of the time an ample staff of contributors. It was several times enlarged; and the printing-establishment turned out a legion of tracts, first and last, besides several considerable-sized books, and more or less job-work. Among the more important books, pamphlets, and tracts issued from its press, were the following named: "Practical Christian Socialism: a Conversational Exposition of the True System of Human Society," etc., pp. 655, octavo; 1854; published by the author, Adin Ballou. "Memoir of Adin Augustus Ballou, written and compiled by his father;" pp. 192, 18mo; 1853. "Monitorial Guide, for the use of Inductive Conferences, Communities," etc.; by A. Ballou; pp. 336, 12mo; 1862. "The Hopedale Collection of Hymns and Songs;" 316 hymns, 24mo. "The True Scriptural Doctrine of the Second Advent;" an octavo pamphlet of 32 pp. Also a tract, "Practical Christianity in Relation to the Dogma of Endless Punishment;" another, "Practical Christianity and its Non-Resistance in Relation to Human Governments;" another, "On the Inspiration of the Bible;" another, "The Superiority of Moral over Political Power." I refrain from designating any more of this long series of publications from the writer's pen, as also other larger productions printed elsewhere.

In 1846 George W. Stacy left Hopedale, and opened a successful printing-establishment in Milford Centre. The amount and variety of production executed in that establishment, from its start to the present time, I am incompetent to estimate with any thing like business accuracy. It has turned out almost every description of work usual with country offices, — books, pamphlets, town-reports, advertising-sheets, posters, etc.; and I think, too, that it has issued several specimens of the newspaper kind, though none of long-continued series.

The "Milford Journal" establishment came into existence in 1852, under the auspices of the "Milford News Association," which raised a thousand dollars among the leading citizens as an initiatory publishing fund. Charles Nason, as editor and proprietor, accepted the fund, pledged a six-column weekly for at least one year to its patrons, and issued No. 1, Vol. I., June 18, 1852. At the expiration of two years he sold out his interest to A. Dexter Sargeant, who ran the establishment till Dec. 27, 1856, publishing meantime our first direc-

tory, bearing date 1856. He transferred his proprietorship to Wood & Blunt, who ran it in company till January, 1858; then Blunt sold his share to his partner, Bartholomew Wood, who, some three years later, sold the concern to Crocker & Sons. Before the close of 1865 they transferred it to Charles G. Easterbrook, who kept it only about three months, and sold out to Rev. James D. Bell. He made sale of it, perhaps in 1866, to James M. Stewart, who improved, profited by it, and at length sold it, in 1872, to Cook & Sons, the present enterprising proprietors. It probably yielded little excess of income to its earlier proprietors, but grew gradually into importance with advancing years, until now, with vastly increased facilities and extended patronage, it occupies a profitable as well as an influential field of usefulness. In its own line it has undoubtedly been an educator of the people to an extent not easily appreciable. It has had but one rival in town, "The Bay State Chronicle," which was published by Coffin & Drake, somewhere between 1859 and '61, several months, with such indifferent success that it proved a failure. I have tried to ascertain the dates of its birth and death, but did not light on competent informers.

Michael A. Blunt has run a printing-office for various kinds of job-work during the last twenty-five years or more, and has done a prosperous business. I understand that he has been printing, for a considerable time, two periodical publications having a metropolitan imprint, besides his ordinary jobbing.

Bryan J. Butts purchased the Hopedale printing materials in 1860, and has issued, for longer or shorter terms, two periodicals; viz., "Modern Age" and "Spiritual Reformer," besides various children's books and miscellaneous effusions written by his wife and himself; also, meantime, executing considerable job-work.

Thus I have closed this elaborate chapter with these items concerning our press and literature; being unwilling to ignore them, and not seeing where else I could more logically insert them.

I heartily congratulate the town on the devotion and liberality which their records show them to have displayed in the cause of public education, especially during the last forty years.

CHAPTER X.

OUR RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES AND CHURCHES.

I. *History of the Congregational Parish completed.* — Awkward Relation of Town and Parish dissolved. — The New Meeting-house built in Troublous Times with much Prayer. — Dedication and Rejoicings. — Rev. Mr. Long's Prosperous Pastorate until 1844, when he resigned, and was dismissed. — His Successors down to 1878. — Succession of Deacons, and Status of the Church. — Thorough Renovation and Enlargement of the Meeting-House, and other Particulars of interest.

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IV. *Central Baptist Church.* — Brief History of its Origin, Progress, and Standing.

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VIII. *Miscellanies.*

I. HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATIONAL PARISH COMPLETED.

CHAPTERS V. and VI. treat fully of the original precinct and church, and bring down their history, after the town's incorporation, to the year 1801. The town continued to act as legal successor to the precinct in parochial affairs till the year 1819; but it did so in an eccentric and complicated manner, owing to the gradually increasing numbers of dissenters from the Congregational denomination who became exempts from parochial taxation. The town had to act in a double capacity, and to run two sets of financial machinery: one as a municipal corporation, which took in all the inhabitants; and the other as a parish, which included only willing supporters of the Congregational order. This complex and awkward state of things

culminated, at length, in a dissolution of the relationship. Early in 1819 the Congregationalists, having decided to erect a new meeting-house on the site of the old one, legally re-organized themselves as a parish, on such grounds as to resume their former precinct rights independent of the town. This raised a long and bitter controversy between the town and parish parties about the old meeting-house, etc., whereof I will speak more fully in another place. After 1819 the Congregational parish and church must be considered simply as our oldest religious society. But there were important transactions between 1800 and 1819 in which the town was more or less concerned, and which I must notice as preceding the subsequent events.

From the Church Records. — "The Congregational Church of Christ in Milford, after having been destitute of a Pastor between eight and nine years, since the decease of Rev. Amariah Frost, at length so far succeeded in their wishes as to obtain Mr. David Long as a Candidate on probation for settlement, who came on the day before the third sabbath in Sept., 1800. Dec. 24, 1800, being appointed a day of fasting & prayer by the chh., to look to God for direction in the choice of a Pastor, the chh., after the public exercises of the day, being assembled in chh. meeting, passed the following votes; Rev. Caleb Alexander, Moderator.

"1. Voted unanimously to give Mr. David Long a call to be their Pastor & public Teacher in piety & morality.

"2. To chuse Dea. Seth Nelson, Eld^{r} John Chapin & Dea. Nath^{l} Rawson as a Committee to acquaint Mr. Long of their proceedings; also to acquaint & desire the Select Men to call a town meeting to see what measures s^{d} town will take for the support of s^{d} Mr. Long."

Action of the Town, Jan. 5, 1801 : *Col. Ichabod Thayer, Moderator.* — "Then passed a previous vote to Exempt all Denominations in said Town who do not belong to the Congregational Society (so called) in Taxation, either for the cost of Settlement or Salary for Mr. David Long, should they settle him in said Town.

"Then voted to join with the Church in giving Mr. David Long a Call to be their Pastor & Public Teacher of Piety, Religion, and Morality.

"Then chose a Committee to See what Encouragement they would offer Mr. David Long for a Settlement & Salary, in order to Settle him with them. Dea. Seth Nelson, Eld^{r} John Chapin, Saml. Jones, Esq., Col. Ichabod Thayer, Adams Chapin, Capt. Gershom Nelson, James Perry, Capt. Nath^{l} Parkhurst, & Elijah Thayer, Committee for the purpose above mentioned. Agreed to Recommend to the Town that they offer Mr. David Long, for his Encouragement to Settle with them, 150£ Settlement, to pay one-half in one year, the other half in Two years after he shall settle with them; to give him annually 80£ Salary (Including the Interest of the Ministry money) So long as he shall Remain their Minister.

"The Town then voted to accept of the Report of their Committee as

Stated by them for the Support of Mr. David Long, if he should Settle with them.

"Then chose Dea. Seth Nelson, Eldr John Chapin, Lt. Ephm. Chapin, a Committee to Lay before Mr. David Long the proceedings of said Town Meeting.

"Ichabod Thayer, *Moderator.*

"Adams Chapin, *Clerk.*"

At a town-meeting held Jan. 26, 1801, the vote exempting dissenters from parochial taxation was further strengthened and ratified, and the following-named citizens were formally declared exempts: —

"Josiah Ball, Obadiah Wood, Noah Wiswall, David Stearns, Edmd. Bowker, John Corbett, Ebenr. Sumner, Jr., David Madden, Wales Cheney, Ebenr. Sumner, Daniel Carter, Darius Sumner, James Battle, Lazarus Ball, Ebenr. Hunt, Joseph Hunting, Jr., Caleb Cheney, Michael Madden, Levi Madden, Joseph Hunting, John Wales, Ebenr. McFarland, Lewis Cobb, Zenas Ball, Joseph Hunt, Caleb Albee, Ichabod Corbett, Luther Wheelock, Caleb Aldrich, Elijah Albee, Elias Parkman, Cyrus Wheelock, Daniel Wedge, Nathan Wood, Luke Kelley. Also voted to Exempt from Ministerial Taxation George Kelley, Luke Kelley, & Wing Kelley, and all others of the Denomination of Christians called Quakers in said Town, and also all other persons in said Town who are now known to be of different denominations from the Congregationalists in Religion, & who have hitherto been exempted."

Thus all difficulties were supposed to be obviated as to the settlement and support of the newly-called pastor. Mr. Long sent in his formal acceptance of the call tendered him, on the terms proposed; and arrangements were forthwith made, concurrently by church and town, for his ordination. The day first set for his ordination was the first Wednesday in June, but it was changed to Wednesday, May 20, — a fortnight earlier. The church sent letters missive "to all the Churches in Mendon Association, also those of Hopkinton, Dunbarton, and Boscawen, N. H." The committee of the chh. to write the letters missive, and wait on the council, consisted of Dea. Seth Nelson, Eld. John Chapin, and Nathl. Rawson. The town's committee to provide for the council consisted of Dea. Seth Nelson, Col. Ichabod Thayer, Saml. Jones, Esq., Capt. Benjamin Godfrey, and Lt. Ephm. Chapin. But Dea. Seth Nelson, who seems to have been a generous as well as devoted man, stepped forward and pledged himself to provide for the council *gratis*.

"*Result of Council.* — At an Ecclesiastical Council, convened at the house of Dea. Seth Nelson, in Milford, May 20, 1801, in consequence of letters missive from the Church of Christ in Milford, were present, —

REV. PASTORS.	WORTHY DELEGATES.
David Sanford,	Dea. Nathaniel Partridge,
Nathaniel Emmons, D.D.,	Dea. James Metcalf,
Isaac Stone,	Capt. Caleb Whiting,
Edmund Mills,	Brother Ezekiel Morse,
Caleb Alexander,	Dea. Josiah Adams,
John Cleaveland,	Dea. Asa Ware,
John Crane,	Br. Henry Morse,
John Robinson,	Hon. Elijah Brigham,
John Wilder,	Br. Stephen Fuller,
Timothy Dickinson,	Dea. Jesse Haven,
Nathaniel Howe,	Dea. Joseph Walker,
Walter Harris,	Br. Thomas Mills,
Samuel Judson,	Dea. Nicholas Baylies,
Benjamin Wood,	Dea. Amos Bradish,
Nathan Holman,	Br. Peter Thatcher,
Otis Thompson,	Dea. John Brown,
Hopkinton Church, N.H.	Br. Enoch Long, Jr.

"The Council, having formed, chose the Rev. David Sanford Moderator, and the Rev. John Crane Scribe; and, after addressing the Throne of Grace by prayer, proceeded to the examination of Mr. David Long relative to his Doctrinal and Experimental knowledge of the gospel, and, being fully satisfied with his qualifications for the ministry, voted to proceed to his ordination. And accordingly the several parts were assigned: viz., the Rev. Walter Harris, Preacher on the occasion; Rev. David Sanford, to make the ordaining prayer; the Rev. Nathaniel Emmons, D.D., to give the Charge; the Rev. Caleb Alexander, to give the Right Hand of Fellowship; the Rev. Edmund Mills, the introductory prayer; and the Rev. John Cleaveland, the concluding prayer.

"DAVID SANFORD, *Moderator.*

"Attest: JOHN CRANE, *Scribe.*"

"The Council then proceeded according to result, and the ordination was solemnized on a stage in the open air, near the Meeting-house, that not being sufficient. The exercises were performed to general satisfaction, and with great applause. The numerous auditory observed among themselves uncommon decency and decorum, and the whole exhibited to the people of God in this place a solemn, affecting, and yet pleasing scene." (*From Vol. II. of Chh. Records,* p. 56, *in the handwriting of Rev. Mr. Long.*)

Mr. Long's ministry seemed to proceed with a good degree of prosperity, internal and external, for many years, — perhaps I ought to say through its whole duration, though not without some serious trials, crosses, and adversities. He was a man of good common-sense, respectable learning, much prudence, great fidelity to his religious convictions, and eminently exemplary in all the walks of life.

See his genealogy, and the brief biographical sketch accompanying the same, in Part II. of this work.

The next event most worthy of note in the history of this society and church was the erection of their new meeting-house, in 1819. It was high time that the old sanctuary should give place to a new and more commodious one. The first question that arose was, where the new edifice should stand. Some friends living to the north-east of the parish common, I am told, were urgent that the proposed new house should stand on the place then occupied by Abner Wight, afterwards by Dr. G. D. Peck, and in our time by the late Ziba Thayer and his widow. This was in itself a very desirable site; but the church and most of the worshippers had so deep a reverence for the ancient sacred location, that they resolved not to abandon it. Then another question of much greater practical importance arose, — to whom did the old meeting-house belong, — to the parish, or the town? Two strong antagonistic parties at once divided the whole population, — the *town party* and the *parish party*. The town party insisted that the house was the property of the town, and, being decidedly in the majority at the polls, forbade the parish to meddle with it. But the parish, having legally re-organized so as to resume the rights of the former precinct, undauntedly dismantled the old edifice of its inside valuables, sold the shell, and cleared the ground for their new temple. Hence the case went to the courts, which at length decided the issues in favor of the parish. What consequences followed between the two contending parties will be set forth under another head. (See Chap. XIV., Sect. I.)

The parish now went forward vigorously to erect their new meeting-house. The following, from Vol. II. of the church records, in Rev. Mr. Long's handwriting, describes the course of proceedings and events: —

"1819, *May* 9. Most of the members of the Chh., male and female, convened at the house of the Pastor, in the intermission on the sabbath, and took into view the low state of religion in this place, the important undertaking in which the Parish are engaged for building a new Meeting-house, and the unprovoked opposition and devices raised by many, *out of the Parish*, against the work. And in view of these things, it was thought advisable to set apart a season for special united prayer, 'that we might seek of God a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance' (Ezra viii. 21). And as the work of rebuilding is to commence the present week, and as the old house of worship is to be disposed of on Wednesday next, therefore agreed that the proposed meeting be on *Monday* next, 2 o'clock, P.M., at the house of the Pastor.

"*May* 10. The Chh. met according to adjournment, most of the members being present, and enjoyed a solemn and comforting season in seeking for the outpouring of the Spirit; a blessing on the work of rebuilding the sanctuary, that success may be given to the undertaking, that 'the glory of the latter house may be greater than that of the former,' and that no device formed against the cause and people of God here may prosper. And much satisfaction was enjoyed in committing the whole, as we trust, to divine care and direction. Also, agreed to continue our meetings for like purposes during the season, or as long as duty shall appear, once in every month, in addition to the first Monday in the month, which has heretofore been observed as a season for special prayer. Also, appointed *Tuesday*, May 18, 2 o'clock, P.M., to be observed as a public season of prayer in relation to the same objects, a discourse to be delivered on the occasion.

"*May* 18. The Chh. and Parish convened according to appointment. A very full assembly. Sermon on 1 Chron. 28: 20. The old Meeting-house to be broken up on Monday next.

"*May* 24. The Parish collected, and took out all the inside of the house. 25. Prepared the old house to be removed. 26. The day of the annual Election. The Parish collected, and removed the house, under the direction of Capt. Rufus Thayer, with complete success, and no injury to the hands or the building. Divine providence visible.

"*June* 17. Began to raise the new Meeting-house, on the ground of the old. 19. The raising was completed to the top of the Belfry, without accident or harm. The Spire was raised Aug. 11. The business on each day, except one, was begun and closed with prayer, at the frame. The omission on the 18th was occasioned by a shower. Closed the business of the last day by singing 132d Ps., L. M., Dr. Watts, and concluded with prayer. *Hitherto the Lord hath helped us.*

"*Nov.* 1. A Chh. meeting was held, by appointment, at the house of the Pastor. After the usual monthly concert of prayer, a subscription having been previously opened and filled for procuring new cups and cloths for the Communion table, voted that Brother Nathan Parkhurst be appointed to procure the cups. N.B. The cups were procured according to vote; viz., 8 plated cups @ 3.50 = $28.00.

"*Nov.* 15. The Meeting-house being nearly completed, the Parish met and voted acceptance. Also voted, 'That the thanks of this Parish be given to Mr. Elias Carter, for his able and faithful performance of his trust in erecting the Meeting-house this day accepted by the said Parish.

"(Signed by) ADAMS CHAPIN, *Parish Clerk.*

"The above was deservedly presented to Mr. Carter, a skilful and faithful architect, and amiable and pious man. This Meeting-house is said to be the 11th or 12th which he has erected. At 12 o'clock began the sale of pews, and during the afternoon 57 were sold at auction, amounting to more than $7,000, — somewhat more than the whole cost of the house, — leaving towards 30 unsold. The sale was opened with prayer. It had been abundantly predicted by those *out of the Parish* who were unfriendly, that the

sales would not more than half equal the cost, and therefore that an enormous tax must be levied on the Parish. And thus some, through fear, had left the Parish, and united with other denominations. Some of these, after seeing that the danger was past, became purchasers. 'My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works.' (Neh. 6: 14.)

"*Nov.* 16. After the close of a meeting for prayer, the Chh. collected themselves in Chh. meeting, and disposed of the old vessels among themselves; viz., 4 small flaggons and 8 cups. The avails were $2.22½; and agreed to procure new cloths for the table.

"*Aug.* 11. The Spire was raised P.M., without harm.

"*Nov.* 25. The Meeting-house was dedicated. Ministers sent for on this occasion were, Rev. Mr. Howe of Hopkinton, Mr. Wood of Upton, Mr. Ide of Medway, Mr. Wheaton of Holliston, and Mr. Dogget of Mendon.

"*Exercises.* — Select music; a blessing implored on the reading of the Word, by the Pastor; 2 Chron., 6 chap., read by Mr. Ide; music; Ded. Prayer, by Mr. Howe; music; Sermon, by the pastor, 2 Chron. vii. 15, 16; music; Concluding Prayer by Mr. Wood. Remarkable order and decency prevailed.

"*Nov.* 25. A communion-table had previously been made by Mr. Benj. Gibbs, price $10, paid in part by subscription by members of the Chh., and others, and part from the funds of 'The Moral and Charitable Society in Milford.' Also, three chairs, procured at Boston, $5; expense paid as above. A Bible and Psalm-book were presented for the use of the pulpit by 'The Female Charitable Society.' Thus the whole business is completed, and the parish as harmonious as at any former period, and the congregation, from sabbath to sabbath, increasing in numbers." (Chh. Records, vol. ii., pp. 103-106.)

I have quoted thus fully from the records, because they relate to comparatively olden times, actors, and events, and because they give an interesting insight into the circumstances, experiences, characteristics, and spirit of a period now fading away from living memories into the shadowy past. It will not be expected that I describe subsequent kindred transactions with the same particularity. The limitations of my space forbid it. Rev. Mr. Long's ministry continued forty-three years, and terminated by regular dismissal, at his own request, in 1844. I must pass over a multitude of occurrences and incidents which would be proper for a full history of his pastorate, and briefly notice those only which took place in connection with his resignation. He was advancing toward old age; younger generations largely composed his congregation, and manners were changing with the times. Moreover, he was annually afflicted with a severe visitation of asthma, which lasted several weeks, and, for the time, seriously debilitated him. There began to be a clamor for a younger man, and more interesting pulpit discourses, according to

the fashion of the world generally. It was not a harsh or bitter clamor; but it reached his ears, and made him unhappy. He had served long and faithfully, on a meagre salary, and was not a man to stay where any considerable number of his professed supporters were dissatisfied with his performances, though others might devotedly adhere to him. There was a proposition to settle a colleague with him, which, I believe, was withdrawn. Anyhow, he came to the conclusion that he must resign, which he did, in the following communication: —

To the Congregational Church and Parish in Milford.

Brethren and Friends, — Although it has ever been a settled principle with me, that the sacred relation between a pastor and church ought never to be dissolved for slight causes, yet, as it appears that nothing short of this will give satisfaction to those who wish for a change in the ministry in this place, or be likely to save this people from being rent with incurable divisions, I am led to the conclusion that the time has arrived for such a step to be taken. I have not *rashly* come to this conclusion, but with deliberate and prayerful consideration.

I am willing to make all reasonable sacrifices to promote the peace and prosperity of this people. And hoping, or at least *wishing*, that the contemplated step may have the effect to secure this object, *I now ask a dismission from my pastoral relation to this church and my ministerial relation to this parish.* [The remainder omitted.]

D. Long, *Pastor.*

April 14, 1844.

April 25 ensuing, the church, with some reluctance, accepted this resignation. The parish did so about the same time, passing the following resolution: —

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of this parish be presented to the Rev. David Long, for his long and faithful services with this people as their minister, and for his honorable and upright dealings as a neighbor and friend."

A mutual council was convened on Wednesday, May 15, 1844, to advise on the case. It consisted of the pastors and delegates named below: —

PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Rev. Benjamin Wood, Upton.	Brother Joseph B. Chapin.
Rev. Elisha Fisk, Wrentham.	
Rev. Jacob Ide, D.D., Medway.	Deacon Jonathan Metcalf.
Rev. J. D. Southworth, Franklin.	Brother Matthew Metcalf.
Rev. D. Sanford, Medway Village.	Brother Nathan Bullard.

The council reported a very deprecatory result; but, on the whole, sanctioning the dismissal, with a declared expectation that Mr. Long should receive from his people five hundred dollars, which, however, I am informed, was never paid to him. Mr. Long and his wife asked, and received, a commendatory dismission from the church, as members; and on the ensuing sabbath (May 19) he preached an affecting farewell discourse. Thus, with some shadows of sadness, ended his ministry in Milford.

Rev. Smith Bartlett Goodenow, the next pastor, was installed Oct. 30, 1844, and dismissed Jan. 1, 1846. Rev. Preston Pond was installed May 24, 1849, and dismissed Feb. 16, 1852. Rev. James Trask Woodbury was installed July 15, 1852, and died Jan. 16, 1861. Rev. Alfred A. Ellsworth was ordained Sept. 4, 1862, and dismissed June 28, 1865. Rev. James B. Thornton was installed Nov. 22, 1865, and resigned Jan. 28, 1868, — his dismission sanctioned by council, Aug. 5, 1868. Rev. Sylvester C. Kendall was installed Aug. 5, 1868, and dismissed June 12, 1873. Rev. Merrill Richardson, D.D., was installed June 12, 1873, and died Dec. 12, 1877. Rev. Oliver S. Dean was installed Sept. 20, 1877, — the present incumbent. The last two have held a high rank in the public esteem as pastors, citizens, and men, — in saying which, no disparagement is meant for their predecessors.

The succession of elders and deacons was brought down, at the close of Chap. V., to 1785, when Dea. John Chapin was elected elder. He seems to have been the last of the ruling elders. Seth Nelson was chosen deacon in 1786; also, Ebenezer Read, about the same time; Robert Sanders, jun., 1802; Nathan Chapin, also 1802; Seth Nelson, jun., 1813; Amos Chapin, 1815; Peter Rockwood, 1831; Nathan T. Chapin, 1844; Nathaniel Torrey and Martin Fletcher, 1845; Joseph W. Littlefield, 1848; Hiram Carpenter, S. C. Brownell, and A. L. Kendall, Nov. 3, 1853; Samuel W. Walker, Feb. 26, 1857; David B. Rockwood, Dec. 15, 1859; Amos Holbrook and Levi P. Bradish, April 23, 1863; Benjamin Franklin, March 20, 1866; Charles N. Morse, June 5, 1868; and Asa A. Westcott, Jan. 3, 1879. Some of these served till death, and others till resignation or discharge. The total number of members in this church, as reported Jan. 1, 1879, was 289, of whom 79 were males, and 210 females. Their creed and covenant have undergone several revisions since 1741, with considerable omissional and verbal modifications, but retaining what are deemed their essential evangelical features. It is hardly necessary for me to present a copy of the latest revision, as its contents are substantially accordant with those of sister Orthodox

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Congregational churches in New England generally. I shall venture to remark, however, that all the modifications referred to have been on the line of moderate Calvinism towards a milder theology. The congregation — of which this church is the core — is large, wealthy, and popular. In all these respects it is our strongest religious society, excepting the Catholic in point of numbers. It has a vigorous internal organization for the promotion of the various auxiliary benevolences common in its denomination. Its social activities of all kinds are auspicious of permanency and prosperity. In our town Directory, designed to cover the year 1878, its communicants were stated to number 293, its Sunday school 325, and its Sunday-school library 810 volumes. This must be nearly their present status. The average Sunday audiences are estimated at 450, — ranging from 300 to 800.

I will close this account with a brief statement concerning the renovation of their church edifice. It began to be felt, in 1858, that the Second Meeting-house, built in 1819, needed enlargement and thorough renewal. Early in 1859 the parish initiated measures to this end. But its accomplishment was retarded by many difficulties. The building must be raised up high enough for ample basement-rooms, in the modern style. It must be lengthened some thirty feet, and the inside work entirely remodelled. It must be set much farther back, so as to have a decent front on the street; and neighboring buildings, especially the Academy, must also be moved back westward, so as to stand in range with it. To effect all this, more land must be bought in the rear, at a high price, and sundry horse-stable rights cancelled. Meantime, the ancient bounds of the original precinct common were so ill-defined and obscured by changes that it was hard to ascertain them. Plan after plan was proposed for the attainment of the main object. One of these was to purchase a new site between Main and South-Main Sts., near their junction, and either build anew, or move, enlarge, and rejuvenate the old sanctuary. This went so far, that the proposed new site was actually bought by the parish. But the cost had to be considered and provided for, — some twenty-five thousand dollars or more. At length, after dubious agitation for years, the parish unanimously decided as is set forth in the following record: —

"*Oct.* 15, 1866. The committee chosen at a legal meeting of the parish, holden Sept. 17, A.D. 1866, to report upon moving, enlarging, and the repair of the church, made the following report, which was accepted; and, after duly considering the same, it was unanimously adopted, as follows: to wit, 'That the building should be removed to the lot recently purchased of

Moses Harris; that it be enlarged by the addition of thirty feet in length; that a vestry, and such rooms as may be required for church purposes, be finished under it; the church to be raised sufficiently for the purpose; that new pews and windows be put into the church; that the organ be placed in the rear of the speaker's desk; that the galleries be remodelled, and the building put in complete repair, and painted, inside and out, in an appropriate manner.

"'The committee are of the opinion that the aforesaid improvements, including the furnishing of the church, can be made at an expense not exceeding the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

'C. F. CLAFLIN, *Chairman of Committee.*'

"Chose Charles F. Claflin, Lewis Fales, and Lowell Fales, a building committee, with authority to carry out the recommendations of the above report.

"*Voted*, To choose a committee of three, by ballot, to appraise the pews in the church previous to any alteration or repair. Chose William Batchelder of Holliston, Clark Patridge of Medway, and N. P. Coburn of Newton, for said committee."

The work went forward with due preparation; but the dismantling of the sanctuary did not commence till the spring of 1868, when the parish provided Washington Hall as their place of worship during the process of renovation. The undertaking was handsomely completed before Aug. 5, 1868, on the evening of which day, after Rev. Mr. Kendall's installation, the new temple was solemnly dedicated, with the customary formalities. Somewhat later the building committee made their final report, and were honorably discharged. The improvements, accommodations, and beautifications made, speak for themselves, and reflect honor on the parish. The total of improvements cost about twenty-five thousand dollars, to which must be added an excellent organ, costing twelve hundred dollars. After Rev. Mr. Long's dismissal, the salaries of his successors were six hundred dollars, seven hundred dollars, and one thousand dollars per annum, till the settlement of Rev. Mr. Kendall, who received two thousand dollars. Rev. Dr. Richardson received three thousand five hundred dollars; and the present incumbent, in these later times, receives two thousand five hundred dollars. I have omitted the names of annually elected parish officers, since those of the precinct era, as perhaps uncalled for, considering the particularity of other historic matter. I will, however, add, in closing, a specification of those chosen for 1879: viz., *Parish Committee*, Samuel Walker, Aaron C. Mayhew, Thomas B. Thayer; *Committee on Music*, George W. Johnson, Chas. F. Claflin, Joel W. Harris; *Clerk and Treasurer*, Orlando Avery.

II. THE UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY.

Precisely when Universalism was first preached in Milford, and by whom, I have been unable to ascertain. I incline, however, to believe that Elder Adams Streeter was probably its first preacher here, and that he commenced his ministry in the year 1781. It is recorded in the first volume of our Town Records, p. 202, that "Elder Adams Streeter, Dinah his wife, and seven children [giving their names], came to reside in Milford, Nov. 16, 1781. They came from Douglas, taken in by Noah Wiswall." Mr. Wiswall was one of the earliest and most zealous of our Milford Universalists. Elder Streeter was an early and devoted Universalist preacher, itinerating much in the southerly towns of Worcester Co., and in portions of Rhode Island. He had several stations where he ministered regularly on the sabbath once a month. This town afforded him one of those stations, meetings being held at private houses, — often at Mr. Wiswall's. It is presumable that he commenced ministering here occasionally several months before moving his family hither in Nov., 1781, and that about that time arrangements had been made for him to preach regularly to the people here once a month. It is hardly supposable, on other grounds, that he would have taken up his family residence here. Mr. Wiswall himself — though not without the sad fault of intemperance (not uncommon in those days among even orthodox church-members and respectably good men) — was a generous-hearted, enterprising, public-spirited, and charitable citizen. This accounts for his opening his house, and making a home for Elder Streeter's family. Doubtless he had a high and warm regard for his minister, who, in that unpopular stage of Universalism, must have stood sorely in need of friends.

We now come to our earliest Universalist records, which commence thus: "The Records of the Independent Christian Society, commonly called Universalist, before incorporated and afterwards. Samuel French, Clerk." Then follows: "Milford, August, 1785. The persons belonging to the society [previous to and down to that time] were, Elder Adams Streeter, Noah Wiswall, Ebenezer Sumner, Samuel French, John Claflin, Caleb Boynton, Saml. Bowker, Ebenezer Wheelock, Ebenezer Sumner, jun., Nahum Clark, David French [11]." This little society was invited to represent itself by three delegates in the first General Convention of the denomination, which was held in Oxford, Sept. 14, 1785. It sent, as its delegates, Ebenezer Sumner, Noah Wiswall, and Samuel French. The Convention recommended "its few infant societies to organize and affiliate."

This was agreed to by Milford society, Dec. 5, 1785. At the same time it was agreed (perhaps renewedly) to sustain a regular monthly meeting, under the ministrations of Elder Adams Streeter, who was to be supported by contribution. Feb. 22, 1786, they again agreed with Elder Streeter to preach monthly for them through the year, on the same terms. But they were soon bereaved of their first minister, as appears from the following entry: "Sept. 22, 1786. Then departed this life our Beloved Elder and Brother, Adams Streeter, to the great lamentation of all his hearers." Their arrangement was to have him preach in each of their several houses. He was taken suddenly and fatally sick on one of his preaching excursions (I think) to Providence, R.I., or vicinity, and died at the hospitable house of Capt. Stephen Whipple, in Smithfield, near Blackstone River, on territory now included in the town of Lincoln.

Dec. 28, 1787, the society formally adopted and subscribed the organic religious compact which had been recommended by the newly organized General Convention to its several constituent societies. It is presumed to have been draughted by Rev. John Murray, one of the principal patriarchs of Universalism in America. The following is a copy: —

"CHARTER OF COMPACT.

"As it is of the greatest importance, and conduces to the safety and happiness of a Society, to form themselves in a way which is most happifying and secure in the great matters of Religion and Morality, and to take all such salutary measures as are pointed out in the Constitution; we, therefore, who have set our names hereunto, convinced by reason and truth, do, by our own inclination, mutually engage and pledge ourselves, each to the other, and enter into the following Charter of Compact: —

"1. That there be a stated annual meeting of the Society, on the second Wednesday in April, every year, for the purpose of choosing a select committee, whose power shall be as hereafter defined, and that there be, at the same time, a Clerk chosen to this Society.

"2. That there be funds provided, by voluntary subscription, for the purpose of supporting a teacher, or teachers, of Piety, Religion, and Morality, and for the purpose of assisting poor and distressed brethren.

"3. The powers of the compact are to extend to the calling of a meeting, or meetings, of the Society, when they shall think proper, or on request of five of the Society.

"4. They have power to admit new subscribers: they shall likewise acquaint the Clerk of their proceedings, in order that he may keep a regular record.

"5. The Clerk shall record the transactions, both of the Society and Committee, in a book open to the inspection of any one.

"6. The Clerk shall be Treasurer of the Society, and shall regularly report, both of the reception and distribution of moneys to the Compact, at every annual meeting.

"7. All who shall subscribe, and not punctually pay, shall be exempt from the privileges of the Charter of Compact; and the Compact have discretionary power to remit subscriptions, on reasonable representations made to them.

"8. The subscriptions shall be paid to the Clerk, which will render useless the office of a Collector.

"9. Subscriptions shall be opened at the annual meeting, and continue at those periods, unless any circumstances shall require them more frequently.

"10. All subscribers shall have an equal vote.

"11. All questions shall be determined by two-thirds of the present members, and seven shall constitute a meeting.

"12. Every member or subscriber shall have a free liberty to withdraw his name from this Charter whenever he shall see fit.

"13. Whereas, the privilege of choosing one's own religion is inestimable, in order to maintain that privilege unimpaired, in case any person associating with us shall suffer persecution from an unlawful exercise of power, we do agree and resolve to afford all legal measures of extricating him from difficulty, and of enabling him to enjoy that freedom which is held forth in the Constitution.

"14. And be it universally known, that we who have set our names to this Charter of Compact, for the purposes heretofore named, are composed of, and belong to, the Independent Christian Society in Milford, commonly called *Universalists*. As Christians, we acknowledge no Master but Christ Jesus, and, as disciples, we profess to follow no guide in spiritual matters but his word and spirit; as dwellers in this world, we hold ourselves bound to yield obedience to every ordinance of man for God's sake, and we will be obedient subjects to the powers that are ordained of God in all civil cases; but, as subjects of that King whose kingdom is not of this world, we cannot acknowledge the right of any human authority to make laws for the regulation of our consciences in spiritual matters. Thus, as a true, independent Church of Christ, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, we mutually agree to walk together in Christian fellowship, building up each other in our most holy faith, rejoicing in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and determining, by his grace, no more to be entangled by any yoke of bondage. As disciples of the meek and lowly Jesus, we resolve, so far as in us lieth, to live peaceably with all men; yet, as believers, living godly in Christ Jesus, we expect to suffer as much persecution as the laws of the country we live in will admit of. But we resolve, by the grace of God, none of these things shall move us to act inconsistently with our character as Christians.

"We will, as much as possible, avoid vain jangling and unnecessary disputation, and, should we be reviled, endeavor in patience to possess our souls. As an Independent Church of Christ, thus bound together by the cords of love, and uniting together in his name, we mutually agree to meet

together to worship our divine Lord and Master, as circumstances shall or may require; [and] that we may the more effectually show forth his praise who hath called us out of darkness into his marvellous light, we resolve to pay a serious regard to all the exhortations, admonitions, and instructions given to us by the Spirit of God in the epistles dictated to our holy apostles. We will, as far as in us lieth, do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. We will, by the grace of God, in word and in deed, endeavor to adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour, as children of one Father, and members of one head, who are united together in church fellowship, bound by the love of our dear Saviour."

Subscribed, at the date aforesaid, by "Ebenezer Sumner, Ebenezer Hill, Samuel Bowker, Benjamin Bass, Noah Wiswall, Nathaniel Butterworth, Aaron Pond, Japheth Daniels, Amos Ellis, Darius Sumner, Luther Wheelock, Jairus Boyden, Nathaniel Corbett, Moses Pond, Ichabod Corbett, Nahum Clark, Calvin Cutler, Ebenezer Sumner, jun., Caleb Cheney, jun., Edward Brewer, Obadiah Wood, Seth Allen, Joseph Sumner" [23]. A few of these appear to have been of neighboring towns, residents near the borders of Milford.

The records do not show that the society had another regular monthly preacher till May 31, 1790. It is probable, however, that they had more or less occasional preaching during the intervening years. At the last-mentioned date they engaged Rev. Zephaniah Lathe to preach for them, once a month, through the year, salary $20; again, for 1791, they engaged him, salary $25. Thenceforward he ministered to them regularly, once a month, for the same annual stipend, till the autumn of 1797. He may be called their second pastor or minister. Much of the time, during those years, the meetings were held at the house of Mr. Noah Wiswall, who was allowed $10 per annum for the trouble occasioned. That old Wiswall house is still standing on the Plain, north side of the Holliston road, now Main Street, a little east of Cedar Street, owned by Irish-Americans.

Jan. 24, 1791, the society obtained a vote of the town in the following words: "Voted to let the people of the Denomination called Universalers have liberty to meet in the Town's Meeting-house on week days, when not otherwise wanted." (Vol. I. p. 127.) How many times this privilege was used, I do not find recorded. I have been told that Rev. John Murray preached there at least once, and it is probable that he and others did so several times. On the 20th Sept., 1797, the Universalist General Convention met in Milford, and perhaps in the town's meeting-house, so called. The society's records make it pretty certain that Rev. Z. Lathe officiated as its minister quite regularly, once a month, from 1790 to 1804. Rev. Joshua Flagg

preached more or less frequently during 1805; then Rev. Mr. Lathe again during 1806; Rev. Mr. Flagg again, 1807 and '08. During 1809, '10, and '11, Rev. Nathaniel Smith ministered. From 1811 to '21, the society had more or less frequent preaching from Rev. Messrs. Bigelow, Richard Carrique, Joshua Flagg, Caleb Rich, and others.

When the excitement of 1819 arose about the ownership of the old Precinct Meeting-house, in which the town and parish parties originated, and which developed into a hot rivalrous controversy of several years' continuance, the Universalist society received important accessions. Among these, Pearley Hunt, Esq., with his handsome mercantile wealth, was conspicuous. A new town-common had been obtained, and the town-house built in the Sumner locality; and it was sturdily resolved that the new municipal metropolis should be graced by a church edifice adjacent to it, as respectable as the one that had just replaced the old Town's Meeting-house, so called, on the ancient common. The result was the Brick Church, now a rear appendage of Church Block. The responsibility of its erection was assumed by twelve Universalist proprietors, who associated themselves for that purpose. They were Pearley Hunt, Esq., Col. Arial Bragg, Capt. Henry Nelson, Darius Sumner, John Corbett, sen., Ebenezer Hunt, Alexander Cheney, Caleb Cheney, Ellis Sumner, Clark Sumner, Zebediah Flagg, and Otis Parkhurst. Esq. Hunt took one-fourth or more of the pecuniary responsibility, but his associates their due proportion according to their respective ability, and perhaps some of them beyond their ability. They went into the undertaking with a will and a zeal which insured speedy success. They were determined to produce a meeting-house not inferior to that which the Congregational parish had just completed, though of a different style: so they designedly built one of brick, a fraction larger on the ground than that of the parish, with a tower sixty feet high instead of a spire, but furnished with an imposing clock, and a bell five hundred weight heavier than its rival; all which was completed during the year 1820, and was deemed glory enough for one performance. Their opposers did not scruple to give them more credit for will and pluck than piety; which, if judged by omission of public prayers, so demonstrative in the erection of the Congregational edifice, might seem just. But will and pluck distinguished both parties in those days, whilst piety and town thrift enjoyed the harvest. The Universalist sanctuary was dedicated, with much demonstration and rejoicing, Jan. 10, 1821; and the celebrated Rev. Hosea Ballou, of Boston, preached the sermon, which was forthwith published.

The succession of ministers from that dedication downward has been as follows: —

Rev. Thomas Whittemore, one year to 1822.
Rev. Jacob Frieze, two years to April, 1824.
Rev. Adin Ballou, over six years, to 1831.
Rev. Elbridge Trull, 1833.
Rev. Rufus S. Pope, 1835.
Rev. H. W. Morse, 1837.
Rev. Z. Baker, 1838.
Rev. William Bell, 1841, '42.
Rev. William R. G. Mellen, 1843.
Rev. Benjamin H. Davis, 1844, '46.
Rev. William Coe, 1847.
Rev. Willard Spaulding, 1848.
Rev. Henry A. Eaton, 1849 to '53.
Rev. David H. Plumb, 1853, '54.
Rev. James R. Johnson, 1855 to '60.
Rev. George Hill, 1860 to '65.
Rev. Russell P. Ambler, 1865, '66.
Rev. Gerherdus L. Demarest, 1867 to '73.
Rev. Edward A. Perry, 1873 to '78.
Rev. Royal T. Sawyer, 1879, etc.

The society was not legally incorporated until Dec. 6, 1824, and then under a warrant issued on petition by Warren Rawson, Esq., of Mendon, justice of the peace. After that the members were frequently taxed for the support of public worship, whenever the society preferred that method to subscription. From 1821, for many years, the successive pastors received an annual salary of $330. Between 1831 and 1842 the society passed through a fluctuating series of less favorable experiences, during which there were several intermissions of regular preaching. On the 31st Oct., 1841, a new constitution was adopted, consisting of ten good articles, which revived the cause, and gathered to its support a respectable recruit of adherents. The preamble and declared objects were highly commendable, and were followed by an article adopting the common published creed of the denomination; viz., —

"We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments contain a revelation of the character of God, and of the duty, interest, and final destination of mankind.

"We believe there is one God, whose nature is love, revealed in one Lord Jesus Christ, by one Holy Spirit of grace, who will finally restore the whole family of mankind to holiness and happiness.

"We believe that holiness and true happiness are inseparably connected, and that believers ought to maintain order and practise good works; for these things are good and profitable unto men."

The entire constitution is unobjectionable in substance and form, considered in its kind and designed use. Under it the affairs of the society went on with improving success. Thenceforth the salaries paid to pastors gradually rose, till, in the case of Rev. G. L. Demarest, they reached the maximum of $1,600 per annum. The present salary is $1,200.

Under the pastorate of Rev. Henry A. Eaton, which commenced in 1849, and appears to have been very popular and effective, a church organization of considerable strength was instituted, and the handsome new church on Pearl Street erected. There had never before been any such organization within the society, nor any observance of sacramental ordinances. This church held its first meeting for the choice of officers, etc., Oct. 2, 1850. It adopted an excellent constitution, with declarations of objects, faith, duties, and discipline, and all necessary provisions for official and practical operations. About the same time the new church edifice was planned, and soon erected. The plan was drawn by Thomas W. Silloway of Boston, and the house built by Orrin Whipple of Newton, for $7,000; the land and all other items of expenditure amounted to $2,400 more: total, $9,400. The new sanctuary was dedicated May 1, 1851; sermon by the venerable Hosea Ballou, then eighty-one years of age, who, as before stated, preached the former dedicatory discourse. The same day, the pastor, Rev. Mr. Eaton, having already ministered two years, was formally installed; sermon by Rev. Thomas Whittemore. In the evening the church was solemnly recognized according to the forms of the denomination. There was a great gathering of clergy and laity, and much rejoicing.

The deacons of the church have been Elijah P. Brigham, Amory B. Cook, Adam Hunt, and Elbridge M. Jones. Deas. Cook and Jones are now in service. Present number of communicants, 28. A valuable organ was purchased for the choir in 1875, at the cost of $1,800. The usual Sunday audiences average not far from 300 persons.

The Sunday school numbers about 125. Superintendents of recent date, C. M. Sumner, E. A. Perry, G. M. Billings. Its library contains 425 vols. Recent librarians, Ellis Fisher, John Carpenter, S. P. Carpenter, 2d.

The present pastor is Rev. Royal T. Sawyer, whose regular services as such commenced March 9, 1879; salary, $1,200. The society's officers for 1878 were as follows: *Standing Committee*, Rufus C. Eldridge, Grinfill B. Knight, and Benjamin H. Spaulding; *Treasurer*, Henry C. Skinner; *Clerk*, Gilbert M. Billings; *Collector*, Asaph Withington; *Assessors*, Andrew J. Sumner and Leander Holbrook. For 1879–80, same as last year excepting Collector I. N. Davis. The Universalists, under their new pastor, seem to be prosperous and hopeful.

III. THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

The Methodists are our next oldest religionists. I speak of societ*ies*, because, though there is but one Methodist society now, there was one of a much earlier date, that became defunct not long after the present society was organized. The old society was located in the North Purchase, and for many years had a small house of worship there. It was originally in regular connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church, but at a later period became Methodist *Protestant* in its ecclesiastical affiliation; at least, such is my best understanding of the matter.

Methodist circuit-preachers came occasionally into the North Purchase as early as 1792, and also into Hayden Row, Hopkinton. They are said to have held their first meetings in summer under large shady trees, some of which are traditionally mentioned as sturdy chestnuts, standing not far from where their meeting-house was afterwards built. In colder weather they gathered in private dwellings, or perhaps in the schoolhouse. The earliest reliable information I have found concerning Methodist religious services and preachers in town is afforded by certificates recorded in our Assessors' Book, which exempted certain persons from Congregational taxation. The following are interesting: —

This is to certify, that Wm. Andrews, James Battle, Josiah Ball, David Stearns, Edmund Bowker, Ebenr. McFarland, Joshua Andrews, John Dewing, Uri Day, John Corbett, and Caleb Albee attend public worship with the Methodists in Milford, and contribute for their support.

Signed, in behalf of the Society,

GEO. CANNON.

APRIL 22, 1795.

This is to certify, that the Bearer, Mr. Daniel Carter, attends Methodist preaching in North Purchase in the Town of Milford, and contributes to its support.

Signed, in behalf of the Methodist Society,

JOHN HARPER, *Elder.*

MILFORD, May 21, 1795.

A similar certificate was given to Ithiel Parkhurst, signed by George Pickering, dated May 22, 1797; also another to Asa Snell, by the same preacher, bearing the same date; another was given to Jesse Cheney, Dec. 11, 1802, signed by Joshua Soule, Methodist preacher; another was given to Alexander Cheney, Nov. 10, 1804, signed by "Nehemiah Coy, Methodist Teacher." I found in a class-leader's list, handed down among the papers of Dea. Edmund Bowker, under

date of Nov. 2, 1801, that the said Bowker and Ebenr. McFarland were then class-leaders; that the class numbered twenty-three persons (names specified); that "every Friday before quarterly meeting was appointed as a day of fasting and prayer," and that Joseph Snelling was their preacher in charge. Here all extant records fail me till 1811; but from the foregoing evidence it is certain that a Methodist society existed in the North Purchase previous to April 22, 1795. And it is also certain, that, in the succession of their ministers, Revs. George Cannon, John Harper, George Pickering, Joseph Snelling, Joshua Soule, and Nehemiah Coy officiated between April 22, 1795, and Nov. 10, 1804. Who else may have done so before, or meantime, we know not. It seems, therefore, hardly doubtful that Methodist preaching commenced occasionally as early, at least, as the date I first named, — i. e., 1792. Who ministered between Nov., 1804, and 1811, I am unable to state; but my friend Isaac C. Haven has furnished, from records in his keeping, the following facts of a subsequent period.

It was deemed necessary to organize the society in legal form. A meeting was therefore called according to law. It was held in the North schoolhouse, Aug. 28, 1811. David Stearns was chosen moderator, and Pearley Hunt clerk. Elder Isaac Bonney, who seems to have been eminently popular, was then the regular preacher. Esq. Hunt served as clerk ten years. Wm. Bailey succeeded him in 1821, and continued for five years. Dea. Ithiel Parkhurst was chosen in 1826; then Henry Ball, in 1828; then followed another legal organization of the society in 1829, and Wm. Bailey served as clerk one year. He was succeeded by Isaac C. Haven for thirteen years. A new organization was effected, in legal form, March 16, 1840, with the title "First Methodist Society in Milford," I. C. Haven again clerk. Its last meeting was held March 5, 1843.

Jan. 18, 1815, the society as then organized raised, probably by subscription, $254.57, and voted to build a meeting-house thirty-four by thirty feet, with posts twelve feet high. That house was soon erected, on the east side of the road, above the John Cheney place, near the then North Purchase schoolhouse. Quite regular preaching was held there, in connection with a twin chapel in Hayden Row, Hop. (the two together constituting one station), for many years. In process of time the meeting-house passed, by vote, into the hands of proprietors for repair. These were John Cheney, Zenas Ball, Levi Bicknell, Lyman P. Lowe, Isaac C. Haven, Willard Haven, John Goldsmith, James Fletcher, and George Hancock. Finally, the religious interest of the locality so dwindled away that no regular meet-

ings were held in the house; and at length it was burnt by a parcel of rowdy lads out on a spree, Oct. 23, 1860. While the society was somewhat prosperous, Aug. 25, 1828, it voted to build a parsonage, $254 being subscribed for that purpose. One was soon built; but in 1851 it was sold to George Hancock.

The succession of clergymen, from Rev. Isaac Bonney in 1811, the last above mentioned, must be necessarily imperfect for lack of authentic information. I have been told that Rev. Mr. Hedding, afterwards distinguished as Bishop Hedding, preceded Elder Bonney, or at least was at one time on the station; but I have found no means of verifying this. I find on the town's record of marriage-returns the names of the following officiators: Rev. I. Bonney, down to 1818; Rev. Erastus Otis, 1820, '22; Rev. Hezekiah Thatcher, 1823, etc.; Rev. Herman Perry, 1825, etc.; Rev. Thomas W. Tucker, 1826, etc.; and Rev. O. Robbins, 1833. A little later there came in a succession of Protestant and Reformed Methodist ministers, whose names I give as reported to me, and their terms of service: Rev. Alexander T. Temple, 1835; Rev. Nathaniel Spindel, 1836; Rev. John Dale, 1837, '38; Rev. Lorenzo Johnson, and his brother Rev. Thomas Johnson, 1839; Rev. Thos. F. Morris supplied a while; Rev. Wm. Tozer, 1840 to '43; miscellaneous supplies by Rev. Mr. Rice and students, Episcopal Methodists, from Holliston; Rev. Leonard Wakefield (Episcopal Methodist), for several closing years of the society's existence.

THE PRESENT METHODIST SOCIETY.

The present flourishing Methodist Episcopal Church and Society derived most of their seedling members from the North Purchase Society, already treated of. Several of them, I am sure, were constituents of that organization in some of its phases. Those surviving its decadence were glad to join their few immigrating brethren from other places in raising the standard of their denomination amid the thrift of Milford Centre. The attempt was successful. Commencing with prayer and conference meetings in private dwellings, they soon obtained leave to occupy the old Town Hall. A vote on our clerk's records shows permission granted to this effect in 1836, the Methodists to make such compensation as the selectmen should think equitable. At length, appealing to their wealthy and liberal brother, Hon. Lee Claflin of Hop., formerly of Milford, he assisted them to get regular sabbath services established, and, later, to erect their house of worship on Exchange St., corner of Fayette. The society was legally organized in 1844. The church and parsonage were built in 1849; the latter being wholly the gift of Hon. L. Claflin. The church

Lee Claflin

was enlarged in 1864, and much improved. The site, church, and parsonage were entirely free of debt before 1869. The whole property is now valued at $14,000. The society has been served by the following named pastors: —

Rev. Henry E. Hempstead, 1846, '47.
Rev. Joseph Whitman, 1848, '49.
Rev. C. W. Ainsworth, 1850, '51.
Rev. Albert A. Cooke, pt. of 1851.
Rev. Isaac Smith, 1852, '53.
Rev. Aaron D. Sargeant, 1854, '55.
Rev. Daniel Richards, 1856, etc.
Rev. J. M. Bailey, 1857, '58.
Rev. George G. Jones, 1859, '60.
Rev. Edward S. Best, 1861, '62.
Rev. Joseph Scott, 1863, '64, '65.
Rev. William G. Leonard, 1866.
Rev. Loranus Crowell, 1867, '68.
Rev. William H. Hatch, 1869, '71.
Rev. Rodney H. Howard, 1872, '75.
Rev. Porter M. Vinton, 1875, '77.
Rev. George F. Eaton, 1877, etc.
Rev. Charles Young, 1880, etc.

There may be slight errors of date.

Trustees of the Society, as reported in the Milford Directory of 1869, were: R. Cummings, George Beatty, D. C. Mowry, D. Adams, George L. Cooke, R. C. Hussey, John S. Mead. In 1872 John S. Mead is omitted, and John P. Rankin, J. W. Annette, Adin Ball, and D. P. Eldredge are added as *trustees*. In 1875 the list is the same, omitting R. Cummings and D. Adams. In 1878 the list of 1875 is repeated. Later, M. Greene, A. W. Keen, T. Lilley.

Stewards in 1869: D. Adams, D. C. Mowry, G. L. Cooke, Geo. Beatty, John W. Annette, Adin Ball, D. P. Eldredge, C. P. Nelson, Royal Cummings. In 1872, D. Adams, D. C. Mowry, C. P. Nelson, and R. Cummings disappear from the list; and their places are filled by Geo. H. Clarke, Frank Dewing, and Samuel Knight. In 1875 we have the same, excepting that C. N. Packard takes the place of George Beatty, and Calvin J. Fisk that of Samuel Knight. In 1878 the list stands as reported in 1875. Later, H. H. V. Lilley, R. S. Ruggles.

Treasurer: George L. Cooke, uniformly reported 1869 and downward.

Class Leaders: George Beatty, R. C. Hussey, George S. Adams, J. Elwin Cummings, Ithiel P. Farnum. Later, G. F. Eaton, H. H. V. Lilley, T. McCanna. (Several probable omissions in the above.)

Sunday-school Superintendent: from 1854 to the present time, George L. Cooke, faithfully, for twenty-five years. *Assistant Superintendent*, Terrance McCanna. The school numbers over two hundred, and has a library of seven hundred and fifty volumes. Its succession of *librarians* has been: Adin Ball, John Adams, Willis Rankin, Lemuel L. Wheelock.

The present number of church-members is about two hundred and

forty, and that of the average Sunday audiences not far from two hundred and fifty.

The Methodists of Milford, like the people of their denomination generally, are zealous religionists and conscientious devotees to their convictions of truth and duty. They have their full share of pious, upright, and trustworthy adherents. Their faith, discipline, and ecclesiasticism are too well known, or available by honest inquirers in published documents, to need any exposition from me.

IV. THE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH AND SOCIETY.

The Baptists have been slow to gain an organized foothold in Milford, though long established in Bellingham and other neighboring towns. There has been a slight sprinkling of them within our territorial limits from certainly as early a date as 1792, and probably much earlier. I find on our old records the following certificates of exemption from taxation to the Congregational order here: —

These may certify that Ens^{a}. Michael Madden is of and belongs to the Baptist Society in Upton, and attends the public worship there, and assists in supporting the preaching the Gospel in said Society.

SIMON SNOW [*Pastor.*]
DAVID KELLY, *Clerk of said Society.*

UPTON, April ye 2nd 1792.

Another of precisely the same tenor, date, and signature was given to Daniel Hunt, and lodged with our town-clerk. Three years later we find the following on record: —

April 24, 1795. — These lines may Certify that Joseph Ward and Joseph Hunting of Milford are Members of a Branch of our Communion.

NOAH ALDEN, *Pastor.*

This may Certify to whom it may concern, that the following persons belonging to the Town of Milford have subscribed for the support of the Baptist Minister in the Town of Bellingham; viz., Dea^{a} Eben^{r} Holbrook, Ziba Holbrook, Calvin Holbrook, Timothy Wiswall, George Alverson, Daniel Wedge.

Attest: ELIAB WIGHT, *Clerk of said Society.*

BELLINGHAM, May 6, 1795.

It may safely be presumed that there has been more or less occasional Baptist preaching in Milford all the way down from, perhaps, 1785, or even 1750 (though mostly in private dwellings, schoolhouses, and halls), to the organization of the present church. The Rev. Julius B. Robinson having favored me with an interesting sketch of the history of this church, I take pleasure in copying the same into these pages.

"The Pine St. Baptist Church was organized Feb. 15, 1853, and publicly recognized by an ecclesiastical council on the 10th of March; at which time the membership was twenty-nine. The number of constituent members was twenty-three. The services of recognition were held in the 'Brick Church,' which is now a part of 'Church Block,' and included a sermon by Rev. N. Colver, address to the church by Rev. Wm. C. Child, fellowship of the council by Rev. H. Fittz, and prayer by Rev. Joseph Smith. Rev. J. W. Russell was the first pastor. His labors began before the formal organization of the church, and he was on the field ready to assume the pastorate. He remained until Oct. 22, 1854. Up to that time fifty-two persons had been members of the church. On the 29th of August, 1855, Mr. Levi A. Abbott was ordained in Washington Hall: sermon by Rev. Bradford H. Lincoln; prayer by Rev. W. C. Child; hand of fellowship by Rev. J. W. Russell; charge to the candidate by Rev. J. T. Massey. He continued to labor with great acceptance until the last sabbath in April, 1858. During his three-years pastorate, which was terminated by ill health, 33 members were added, — 16 by letter and experience, and 17 by baptism. Sept. 22, 1858, Mr. Horace G. Hubbard from Hamilton Theological Seminary was ordained: sermon by Rev. D. C. Eddy; prayer by Rev. E. C. Messenger; charge by Rev. J. M. Rockwood; hand of fellowship by Rev. K. Holt; address to the church by Rev. L. A. Abbott. His pastorate terminated July 16, 1859. Nearly a year later Rev. K. Holt labored a few months as resident supply, and agent to procure funds for the erection of a church edifice, but was unsuccessful. The church had worshipped in various halls, and about this time were occupying their fourth one; being without a pastor, or ability to provide support for one. Removals prevented the increase that would have resulted from additions. By the close of the year 1860, the society had purchased a lot worth $800, and had nearly paid for it. Mr. Holt had obtained subscriptions for several hundred dollars from other churches, and from wealthy persons in Boston and vicinity; and about $1,000 had been promised by residents of Milford who were not Baptists. Dea. A. H. Fisher had made himself responsible for the contractor's claim of $4,000 under a forfeiture of $800, and many expenses beyond this would be necessary in order to finish and fully furnish the building. At the same time a depression in business occurred, and for a time the condition of the society was discouraging, or at least critical. Rev. Joseph Ricker was called to the pastorate Dec. 25, 1860, and commenced his labors Jan. 1, 1861. The church was completed in July of the same year, and on the eighteenth day of that month was dedicated. Prayer was offered by Rev. H. Fittz, and the sermon was preached by the pastor. In the afternoon a sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Stowe of Boston. In a historical sermon, preached Dec. 3, 1865, Mr. Ricker said, 'The entire additions to the church during the five years of my pastorate have been forty-six. Of this number twenty-nine have been received by letter, fourteen by baptism, and three by experience. Twenty have been received within the last year. The whole number connected with the church from the first is 132. Subtracting those who by death, dismission, and exclusion have ceased to be members, we find our numerical strength to be 92.'

"During his pastorate the debt of the church was entirely cancelled. The whole amount given by all parties to secure the erection of the building, and payment of other expenses connected therewith, was $7,000. Mr. Ricker remained with the church six years, and was followed by Rev. Mr. Paige, who was succeeded by Rev. Mr. Carr, who died about three months after his arrival. The next pastor was Rev. C. W. Reding, who resigned in 1871. On the second day of July, 1873, the church ordained Julius B. Robinson, who had graduated from Newton Theological Institution in June. In the following winter his health failed during a revival; and, although the church continued his nominal pastorate and his salary until the expiration of one year, he had been able to devote only about half that time to actual work on the field. He was re-settled in June, 1875, and, March 2, 1879, tendered his resignation, to take effect the first of June. At this time his term of labor had included, in all, about four and a quarter years. When he was ordained, the nominal membership of the church was between 90 and 100, and the resident membership considerably less: at the last associational report of statistics, the nominal membership was 120, and the resident membership 113. Meanwhile about 70 members have been added. An organ of twenty-two stops was purchased in 1877. The deacons are George Whittemore and Charles L. Clark."

To the foregoing from Rev. Mr. Robinson, I will add from other sources the names of three former *Deacons*, J. G. Lowe, Wm. P. Burbank, and Wm. G. Wilmot; *Standing Committee-men* of the society, C. F. Cushman, Jarvis White, F. L. Smith, Geo. Whittemore, Wm. H. Gile, G. W. Blake, W. P. Miller, and J. Stimpson; *Treasurers*, Wm. G. Wilmot, Wm. P. Burbank, and Randall B. Green; *Clerks*, Franklin L. Smith and Edson R. White. Present number of Sunday school, about 117; *Superintendent*, W. H. Gile; number of vols. in library, 270; *Librarian*, Jarvis White. Average number of Sunday audiences, about 100 to 125.

The Baptist church and society sustain a highly respectable moral and social standing among us. The peculiarities of their faith and order are well known, or readily ascertainable by all interested inquirers.

Since the foregoing was written, a new pastor has been settled. On the afternoon of Sept. 19, 1879, —

"Mr. E. A. Woodsum was duly ordained to the pastoral office. The Council met at ten o'clock to examine the candidate. At 1.30 the ordination services proper commenced, and were as follows: —

"Selection by choir; invocation, G. E. Leeson, Framingham; reading scripture, H. S. Gay, Woodville; prayer, Dr. Bronson, Putnam, Conn.; sermon, O. S. Stearns, D.D., Newton Theological Institution; ordaining prayer, Rev. A. E. Reynolds, Natick; hand of fellowship, Rev. J. E. Burr, W. Medway; charge to candidate, A. K. P. Small, D.D., Fall River; charge

to church, Rev. H. G. Safford, So. Framingham ; doxology ; benediction by the pastor.

"There was a large attendance." (*Milford Journal.*)

V. THE EPISCOPALIAN SOCIETY.

Though the Protestant Episcopal Church is comparatively ancient, its representative parish in this town is of recent date. Religious services of the denomination were first held here in Irving Hall, on Sunday, May 17, 1863, commencing at 4.30 P.M., conducted by Rev. Reese F. Alsop, of St. John's Church, Framingham. Trinity parish was organized in April, 1864, and was incorporated by act of the Legislature, in May the same year. Its membership consisted of about twenty persons, who signed the parish constitution. Its officers, past and present, without material change, are: *Wardens*, Charles Dove and George G. Parker; *Vestrymen*, William H. Chamberlain, Charles A. Dewey, James I. C. Cook, William Kelley, Charles J. Thompson, William Nichols, William J. Ferguson, Thomas J. Wales, and Thomas J. Bostock; *Treasurer and Collector*, Charles Dove; *Clerk*, C. J. Thompson. Its present number of communicants is about 80. Its Sunday-school numbers about 55 teachers and scholars, under the superintendency of Charles Dove, with a library of 300 vols.

After organization the church maintained regular religious services in Washington Hall until the erection of its sanctuary, situated on Congress Street, corner of Exchange. The land and edifice were paid for by subscription from members of the parish and congregation and outside friends, in sums of from $5 to $300, — costing about $9,000. It was consecrated, with the customary solemnities, March 21, 1871. The services on that occasion were as follows: —

"Entrance of the Bishop [Rev. Manton Eastburn, D.D.] and clergy, repeating the 24th Psalm, — 'The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is,' etc.; reading of the Instrument of Donation ; exhortation ; prayer ; sentence of consecration; morning service; proper Psalms 84, 122, 132, — 'Oh, how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts,' etc.; proper lessons, — first, 1 Kings, chap. 8, v. 22 to v. 63; second, Hebrews, chap. 10, v. 10 to v. 26; singing of Psalm 21 in metre, vs. 2 and 3; ante-communion service; the hundredth Psalm; sermon by the Bishop; prayer; benediction."

More recently a new tower has been erected, and various interior improvements made, at a further cost of $1,500. Still more recently, the parish has provided itself with an admirable organ, costing complete about $1,400. The average Sunday audience numbers 100 or more.

The public have long been accustomed to regard the Episcopalians as an eminently respectable Christian denomination, even though questioning some of their ecclesiastical claims to apostolical descent; and the members of our Trinity Church take honorable rank among the religious people of Milford in all the relations of life. I suppose there is no need of my presenting any statement of their doctrinal or ceremonial peculiarities; all inquirers having ample access to their published expositions of faith, order, and observances. I am indebted to their first warden, Mr. Charles Dove, for most of the foregoing particulars, and also for the following succession of their rectors: —

Rev. Henry Adams, commencing Jan. 1, 1864.
Rev. George G. Jones, commencing May, 1865, and continuing to '68.
Rev. E. B. Allen, till June, 1870.
Rev. Reginald H. Howe, till Jan., 1872.
Rev. John M. Benedict, till June, 1874.
Rev. William F. Lloyd, till April, 1877.
Rev. George R. Wheelock, till 1879.
Rev. Wm. James Alger, commencing Jan. 1, 1881.

Should I be fortunate enough to obtain any genealogical and biographical knowledge of these Rev. gentlemen, it shall appear in Part II. of this work.

VI. ST. MARY'S CHURCH (ROMAN CATHOLIC).

Although this is now numerically our largest religious organization, with an average attendance on its Sunday services probably equalling that of all our other congregations together, it is of comparatively recent date. Down to 1840 Roman Catholics were "strangers and pilgrims" in Milford. Now and then an Irishman strayed into town after its incorporation, previous to 1830; but they were few and far between, and, if Catholics at all, said nothing of their religion. In 1834 Dominic McDevitt, one of the earliest forerunners of St. Mary's Church, came into town as a sub-contractor and builder of the then new Upton road (West Street). He brought his family with him, and perhaps a few hired laborers of Irish nativity. Not long afterwards came Edward McGovern, a currier by occupation, with his family; then two or three other families. Soon after the Milford branch of the Boston and Worcester Railroad was let out to build, the contractors hired large numbers of Irish laborers; so that before the road was opened to travel, in 1848, swarms of Catholic people had come to dwell among us. The great Irish famine, which soon after followed, sent hither numerous additional immigrants. While Mr. McDevitt was at work on the new road to Medway, in 1835, two

of his employés, being dangerously sick, received consolation from Rev. James Fitton, since of East Boston. Soon after this, Rev. Mr. Fitton said the first mass ever solemnized in Milford. He did so in the humble home of Edward McGovern, now some years deceased. Rev. Father Fitton has become venerable in his priesthood, having been ordained over half a century ago. How many times he ministered in this town, is not remembered. The aforesaid mass was probably administered during the year 1836. Thenceforth occasional sacred services were held with more or less frequency in the dwelling-houses of McDevitt, McGovern, and others, all the way down to 1846.

As early as 1847 Rev. John Boyce, of Worcester, commenced holding regular priestly ministrations here, and to gather the people into church order. He was assisted by Rev. Henry Gibson in gathering funds for a church edifice. A site was purchased in the neighborhood sometimes called "The Plains," on the south side of the road to Holliston, now East Main Street, in what used to be the Noah Wiswall pasture; there the first St. Mary's sanctuary was soon erected. It stood on the rising rocky ground, and covered the very spot formerly occupied by Wiswall's tomb. That tomb was a small stone structure, built on a flat ledge wholly above ground. When I came into town, in 1824, it was still standing in a dilapidated condition, exposing the patriarch's dried bones to view in a forlorn state. Pearley Hunt, Esq., who had become owner of the Wiswall farm, soon after removed the remains to his own family tomb; and the stones of the crumbling mausoleum were also presently taken away. On that spot stood the first Catholic church edifice. It was built of wood, and of unpretentious architectural display. It was dedicated in 1848 by Rt. Rev. Bishop Fitzpatrick; and the celebrated Father Mathew, of temperance fame, preached a sermon on the occasion.

Rev. George A. Hamilton became the first regular pastor of St. Mary's, March 1, 1850; he was succeeded by Rev. Michael Caroher, in 1853; he by Rev. Edward Farrelly, in 1854, who died of consumption, Aug. 13, 1857; and he immediately by the present able incumbent, Rev. Father Patrick Cuddihy. He is a man of commanding talents, learning, energy, and pastoral authority. He projected, and triumphantly prosecuted to completion (excepting an intended massive lateral stone tower), the second stately and capacious edifice in which St. Mary's people now worship. Its first stone was laid by the Rt. Rev. J. J. Williams, with due prelatical solemnities, June 1, 1866; and it was opened for public worship Dec. 25, 1870. It stands on Granite Street, corner of Sumner, one hundred and sixty-five feet long by seventy-two in width, besides the porches and provisional

foundation for lateral tower. It was built of granite, found in the Rocky Woods, a mile from the village, on the property of Rev. Father Cuddihy. It is in the Early English style of architecture, and seats over fourteen hundred persons. It has a rich plenitude of Catholic symbols, paintings, and statuary. Attached to it is a tract, comprising two acres of land, for priest's house and garden; also under three-fourths of it is a commodious chapel for daily service, and mass for the children on Sundays. More recently a wooden bell-tower (somewhat temporary, of course) has been constructed, and a charming toned bell from Ireland mounted, weighing four thousand pounds; and during 1878, the organ of the "Old South" Church in Boston was purchased, to give majesty to the music of the choir. The entire cost of this really splendid sanctuary and its furnishings is stated to be $100,000, and the pastoral residence $25,000.

The hours of regular Sunday services are, 8 A.M., mass; 9 A.M., mass and Sunday school; 10:30 A.M., high mass and preaching; 3.30 P.M., vespers. The other stated services and ceremonials through the year are legion. The pastor has always at least one assistant, and both are laden with official duties. They also hold services on Sundays, 10.30 A.M., alternately at North Purchase and in Mendon. Among the assistant pastors have been Rev. Jeremiah Toomey, some years ago; and now, for several years, Rev. James T. Canavan, — a man much respected for talent, worth, and usefulness, — not only by his own people, but by our citizens generally. There have been others, more temporary and transient, concerning whom I am not sufficiently informed to write intelligently.

The first house of worship was disposed of soon after the consecration of the present one, and the site thereof resumed its old-time nakedness. The number of present Catholic parishioners is three thousand five hundred. These are nearly all of Irish extraction, with a few of Canadian-French origin and other national descent. Probably there is a small sprinkling of Protestant-born proselytes, but it must be quite small. The whole number of baptisms in this church, since its organization, has not been ascertained, but must exceed four thousand. The Sunday audiences are estimated to average, at first mass, four hundred; second, eight hundred; high, one thousand. The Sunday school was reported, in 1878, to number nearly one thousand. It now counts about eight hundred. Its *Superintendent*, for many years, has been Stephen Bergin; *Assistant Superintendent*, Mrs. George Brown. No other officers of the congregation, excepting *Sexton*, appear in our published Directories. Michael J. Burke has long held this office.

Those who wish to make themselves intelligently acquainted with the faith, order, and ecclesiasticism of the Roman-Catholic Church will consult the published works which contain expositions of the same. These are explicit and abundant. The Catholics of Milford, as elsewhere, seem to have an auspicious future before them. They are already numerous, and waxing respectable in temporal as well as spiritual affairs. They multiply rapidly in their families. They are industrious and frugal, and so increasing in property. They are gradually becoming sensible of the evils of intemperance, and in considerable numbers pledging themselves against it. They are becoming educated in our public schools, better and better. They are growing more Americanized continually in civil, political, and social relationships. They are gaining prominence, year after year, at the polls, and as municipal office-holders. Meantime, they are generally persistent adherents to their own mother Church, devoted attendants on its time-hallowed ritual services, and free-handed contributors, in the way of money, to its support. Almost all of them are liberal tributaries to its treasury. And, above all, they are under the most reverent control of the most effective clerical organization in Christendom. The world has no great standing army better officered and disciplined than the Roman-Catholic Church in its ecclesiasticism. Some Protestants have flattered themselves that education, free institutions, and the progress of science, would break down this ecclesiasticism. But these influences are not strong enough for that. They may multiply free-thinkers and sceptics in the external bosom of the Catholic Church, as they have done in Europe; but these unbelievers nearly all find it politic, for many reasons, to remain nominal adherents to their holy Mother, and generous pecuniary contributors to its revenues. Nothing will ever greatly affect its character and stability but the development of a far higher Christian Church than Christendom has yet seen, founded on the practical exemplification of that Christ-like truth and righteousness which far transcends the long-established standard, so long fatally compromised with mammonism, worldly power, and war. Above this compromising standard of righteousness neither the Catholic nor Protestant Churches are likely to rise. They must, therefore, accomplish and enjoy the good that lies within their constitutional sphere, which, happily, notwithstanding all chronic limitations, is vast and manifold. If nothing higher comes, they have the field of the world to share and improve among themselves, according to their respective zeal, skill, and perseverance. And in this division, the prospective, as well as the retrospective, share of the Catholics will be the double portion of

the eldest son. If the Christ-like church above hinted at shall ever be inaugurated, it will undoubtedly vindicate itself, and in its fulness triumph over all competitors. Let us be just to what is, and hope for something as much better as God may have purposed in his immutable counsels.

VII. THE HOPEDALE COMMUNITY.

This is among the younger religious societies of our town. It was organized in Mendon, Jan. 28, 1841, and originally entitled "Fraternal Community, No. 1." It was then expected to be the first of a confederated series, and hence designated as "No. 1." Some years later the title was changed to the more local one, — *The Hopedale Community.* The Community purchased, during 1841, the Jones farm, in what had long been called "The Dale," and, in high hope of a prosperous future, named their chosen locality *Hopedale.* About the first of April, 1842, they commenced their settlement and operations there, as a joint-stock, practical Christian association, with a united industrial arrangement. They did so with very insufficient means, and under extreme disadvantages. But, by self-sacrificing zeal and perseverance, they succeeded in building up a village of fifty dwellings, beside mills, shops, and other conveniences; multiplied their population to three hundred, and enlarged their domain to an area of about six hundred acres. This was accomplished in the space of fourteen years. Notwithstanding this external success, such a deficiency of spiritual and moral stamina had developed itself in the too hastily gathered membership, that the leading joint-stockholders became dissatisfied, and declared their unwillingness to allow their invested capital to remain longer under Community control. As the minor proprietors, though a large numerical majority, would be utterly unable to sustain operations, for want of capital to surmount the exigency, a crisis was precipitated. In the spring of 1856 it was decided, by common consent, to dissolve the joint-stock proprietorship, disband the industrial organization, settle up all pecuniary matters, and resolve the Community into a mere religious society, with only a few social guaranties against ignorance, poverty, and vice. All this was done with my consent and advice, under the pressure of necessity, but to my profound disappointment, mortification, and grief. There was no serious pecuniary failure, but a sad moral one, in view of solemnly declared objects, principles, and professions. Yet, considering all the causes and circumstances, the result was inevitable, and, providentially, for the best. There were sufficient reasons why any other was really undesirable.

Property and business now returned to the customary channels of general society, subject to the popular laws of trade, "supply and demand," and the inhabitancy of the village changed accordingly. The Community organization, in its emasculated form, still continued; and their meeting-house was built, by general concurrence, in 1860. Its membership naturally dwindled from year to year, till a mere handful now remain resident in Hopedale. These no longer deem it expedient to hold even an annual meeting. In 1867 the Hopedale Liberal Christian Parish was organized, and the Community was virtually merged therein. Meantime the property, corporations, and business enterprise of the village became remarkably prosperous, till now it is one of the neatest in New England, still retaining some desirable vestiges of its original moral and social character.

I have written a full history of *the Hopedale Community*, from its inception to its submergence in the Hopedale Parish, which I hope will, at no very distant day, be published. But, as its publication must be deferred for some years, it may gratify the laudable curiosity of many readers of this volume to have a statement, under my hand, setting forth the distinguishing peculiarities of that community, its origin, and the reasons of its failure. I feel abundantly competent to present such a statement; having been its principal projector, constitution-maker, and executive director. Perhaps it is also due to my own reputation, to make such a statement; and I am reluctant only through fear of seeming to obtrude matters unsuitable for this work, and of not writing clearly without prolixity. I will, however, venture the attempt. What, then, were the peculiar

OBJECTS OF THE COMMUNITY?

These were thus proclaimed in the preamble to their original constitution: —

"*Know all Men*, That, in order more effectually to illustrate the virtues and promote the ends of pure religion, morality, and philanthropy; to withstand the vices and reform the disorders of the present social state; to secure to our posterity the blessings of a more salutary physical, intellectual, and moral education; to establish a more attractive, economical, and productive system of industry; and to facilitate the honest acquisition of property for laudable purposes: We, whose names are hereunto annexed, do unite in a voluntary association, to be called," etc.

DECLARATION OF FAITH, PRINCIPLES, AND DUTIES.

"No person shall be a member of this Community who does not deliberately and cordially assent to the annexed Declaration, viz.: —

"I believe in the religion of Jesus Christ, as he taught and exemplified it, according to the Scriptures of the New Testament. I acknowledge myself a bounden subject of all its moral obligations. *Especially* do I hold myself bound by all its holy requirements, never, under any pretext whatsoever, to kill, assault, beat, torture, enslave, rob, oppress, persecute, defraud, corrupt, slander, revile, injure, envy, or hate any human being — *even my worst enemy;* never, in any manner, to violate the dictates of pure chastity; never to take or administer an oath; never to manufacture, buy, sell, deal out, or use any intoxicating liquor *as a beverage;* never to serve in the army, navy, or militia of any nation, state, or chieftain; never to bring an action at law, hold office, vote, join a legal posse, petition a legislature, or ask governmental interposition, *in any case involving a final authorized resort to physical violence;* never to indulge self-will, bigotry, love of pre-eminence, covetousness, deceit, profanity, idleness, or an unruly tongue; never to participate in lotteries, games of chance, betting, or pernicious amusements; never to resent reproof, or justify myself in a known wrong; never to aid, abet, or approve others in any thing sinful; but, through divine assistance, always to recommend and promote, with my entire influence, the holiness and happiness of all mankind."

REMARKS ON THE PREAMBLE, ETC.

The chief peculiarities noticeable in this preamble are the following: —

1. Dissatisfaction with the righteousness of so-called Christian civilization, in respect to the virtues and ends of pure religion, morality, and philanthropy, and an aim to illustrate a much higher righteousness.

2. Deprecation of prevalent vices and disorders in the present social state, or order of general society, and a desire to withstand and reform them.

3. Aspiration to secure the blessings of a more salutary physical, intellectual, and moral education for their posterity.

4. The aim to establish a more attractive, economical, and productive system of industry.

5. A conviction, that, in the established order of society, property is often dishonestly acquired and perniciously used, and a purpose to facilitate its honest acquisition and laudable use.

6. All these objects were to be sought and promoted by *voluntary association;* not by political action, legislative enactments, legal penalties, and military compulsion. The supreme intention was, not to get possession of civil government, and compel the multitude to accept their proposed reforms, but by hearty, voluntary, practical, Christian efforts on their own social platform to show "a more excellent way" for general adoption. Their mission was not to destroy

or impair the good already extant in civilized society of the established order, but peaceably to transcend and correct its radical defects. It was the very opposite of red revolutionism, governmental socialism, and compulsory communism, — a strictly beneficent movement, to be prosecuted by strictly beneficent means, and in a strictly Christ-like spirit. This more fully appears in their declaration of faith, principles, and duties. What are the prominent peculiarities of that declaration?

1. Every member must deliberately and cordially profess to believe in the religion of Jesus Christ, as he taught and exemplified it, according to the Scriptures of the New Testament.

2. Every member must deliberately and cordially acknowledge him or her self bound by the holy requirements of that religion, never, under any pretext whatsoever, to kill, enslave, oppress, injure, harm, or hate any human being, even the worst of enemies;

Never to violate the dictates of pure chastity;

Never to take or administer an oath;

Never to use, or aid others in using, any intoxicating liquor as a beverage;

Never to serve, aid in, or encourage war, or preparations for war;

Never to bring an action at law, hold office, vote, join a legal posse, petition a legislature, or ask governmental interposition, *in any case involving a final authorized resort to physical violence;*

But, through divine assistance, always to recommend and promote the holiness and happiness of all mankind.

I refrain from further specification, because many of the duties acknowledged would not be questioned by religionists and moralists generally. Perhaps one or two duties that I have specified may be considered too common to be called *distinguishing* peculiarities. The others must be recognized as such; i.e., with respect to what is held *justifiable* by the masses of people in Church and State. Primitive Christians, of the first and second centuries, held substantially the same views of duty. And so have some individuals, classes, and sects in succeeding ages. I except all such from the vast majority. The multitude of thinkers, both common and professional, must naturally regard the code of righteousness embodied in the above declaration, especially the obligation to love even the worst of enemies, and to abstain from all *dernier-ressorts* to physical violence even in self-defence, not only as utterly impracticable, but radically false and absurd. And those who feel some respect for me, as a man of decent common-sense and intelligence, may perhaps inquire: How could you arrive at such conclusions, and propose such a moral code for subscription? I will try to explain.

In the first place, it must be understood what sort of a man I am, by constitution and mental discipline; for thereby only can an outsider judge me justly. I have a very strong desire to find out what is absolutely true and right in all departments of human concern, especially in religion and morals. I am very strongly disposed to inquire into the abstract causes and principles of things. I am extremely inclined to carry out premises *logically* to their legitimate conclusions, and have an invincible aversion to inconsistency. Also, I have an intense longing to see abstract theories and principles, if good, reduced to practice. Thus constituted and mentally disciplined, I spent the earlier years of my manhood in rectifying and perfecting my theology; troubling myself less about the prevailing system of ethics. After much investigation and reflection, I settled down in the firm theological persuasion: —

1. That there is one supreme, self-existent, all-perfect God, who is the loving and wise Father of all moral intelligences.

2. That Jesus Christ is the truest, highest, and most trustworthy exponent of God's moral perfections, of his will and law, and of human duty; not as a mere man, speaking and acting on his own personal authority, but as fore-chosen, ordained of the Father, and plenarily endowed with his Holy Spirit, to teach and exemplify absolute religious truth and righteousness, and thus to be the spiritual head and discipliner of the human race for their salvation from all sin.

3. That all human beings are by nature free moral agents within a limited sphere, always subject to divine over-rulement and corrective discipline, and always required, according to their ability as creatures of progress, to co-operate in their own perfectation.

4. That all human moral agents and all other moral agents are brothers and sisters of a common family, whose individual, social, and collective good is the same eternally, and they all bound, by the divine moral law, to love their common Father and one another with that perfect love which worketh no ill to its object.

5. That all moral agents are spirits destined to final immortal blessedness, through a long process of divine discipline administered in perfect love and wisdom, whereby evil will sooner or later be overcome by triumphant good.

6. That this grand result ought to be earnestly prayed and labored for.

Without argument *pro et con* as to the truth of this theology, it suffices to say, that it was sublimely true to me, and influenced me accordingly. And now came up a general agitation of ethics and

practical reform. Was chattel slavery sinful? Was war, even for good objects or in self-defence, Christian? Was capital punishment, or any kind of vindictive punishment, right? Was it right for individuals to do any thing through governmental agencies, which it would be morally wrong for them to do directly themselves? Was there any moral law that should govern the acquisition and use of property, requiring them to be strictly fraternal? Was civil society itself, on the existing plane of so-called Christian civilization, conformable to the Sermon on the Mount? And was it right for the professed Christian Church to be amalgamated with civil society in upholding slavery, war, deadly penalism, and the unfraternal acquisitions and uses of wealth? These questions, with other kindred ones, all demanded profound consideration. My theology had been forced out of the old ruts. Must my ethics also undergo a revision? I shrank from it, and contented myself as long as I could with the general views in which I had grown up, and which permeated the almost universal public sentiment of the world. That public sentiment held that chattel-slavery was a great evil; not *per se*, but by reason of its abuses, and certainly could not be abolished in our country without violating sacred political guaranties, and perhaps causing a dissolution of the Federal Union. It held that war also was a great evil; but often a lesser one than peace, and at worst an unavoidable necessity, so long as there are men in the world bad enough to outrage justice and the natural rights of their fellow-men. Deadly force must be repelled by deadly force. Self-defence was the natural right and duty of individuals, communities, and nations. Just wars and righteous inflictions of death were indispensable to the very existence of society, law, and order. Abuses of these rightful resorts to deadly force ought to be condemned, but not the resorts themselves. So the property and class inequalities of existing civilization were natural and unavoidable in the very constitution of humanity. There were manifold abuses of them which ought to be corrected, checked, or mitigated; but the things themselves were right.

Thus far I could only doubt, demur, and investigate. But there was one very important and undeniable conclusion: ☞ The vast majority of mankind are firmly wedded to all these customs of war, *dernier-ressorts* to deadly force, class distinctions, etc.; they are prone to them by nature; general society, civil and religious, is thoroughly saturated, cemented, and identified with them; and therefore, until radically converted to opposite principles, customs, and habits, the world will persist in substantially its old course. I had no doubt of this. Yet there was one alternative. Individuals and voluntary

associations might rise to a higher moral plane, if so disposed by their convictions of truth and duty. They might, on that higher plane, show "a more excellent way," and thus gradually convert mankind to that way. They might do this by carefully abstaining, first, from all complicity with the objectionable laws, customs, and practices of the world's general society, even at the hazard of martyrdom; and second, from all acts in any wise detrimental to the good order more or less conserved by existing human governments. And was not this precisely Christ's moral plane, and his ideal of the true Church? This was a new standpoint from which to prosecute my ethical investigations; and I prosecuted them accordingly. I was no longer tied down to the necessity of maintaining a code of ethics practicable for individuals and society unconverted to the principles of heavenly righteousness; but might choose one suitable and practicable for converts professing to be governed by such righteousness. Neither was I bound to assume that these converts were obliged to work out their higher righteousness in the harness of politicians, statesmen, patriots, and governmentalists of the world, but only in a meek and peaceable spirit on their own higher moral plane as individuals and voluntary associations. Nor did I feel under any necessity to wait for the multitude; for it was certain, that, if the Christ-like went with the world in practice, their theoretical higher righteousness would amount to nothing. Their foundation would then be virtually abandoned. To sail *in* the old ship was to sail *with* it whithersoever it went. From such a standpoint, how must I now proceed to ascertain what absolute individual and social righteousness was? Obviously I must not reason from existing popular institutions, laws, customs, and fashions, as to what *ought* to be; for this would only be to stand still, or go backwards, and thus confirm myself against progress. I must reason from the highest known divine revelations of fundamental laws and principles. Here my theology at once took precedence. Was Jesus Christ what I believed him to be? and, if so, what did a fair interpretation of the Scripture record show was the righteousness he taught and exemplified? I knew it was not a fair interpretation of that record, to lay stress on mere literal verbalism, figurative language, and intensive phrases; but I must honestly accept the general tenor of meaning and spirit pervading the main body of connected Scriptures. I followed this rule, and asked, Does the record show that Jesus Christ ever was or attempted to be a civil ruler, statesman, patriot, warrior, or politician? The record answered unequivocally, No. Did he ever teach his disciples to take such positions in governmental society? No. Did

he not purposely avoid such positions, and distinctly declare that his kingdom was of a higher nature? Yes. Did his chosen apostles and primitive disciples ever teach, practise, or imply, that it was a Christian duty to take part in the civil and military affairs of the world? Never. Did Christ and his apostles ever teach or practise any other duty in respect to the governmental powers of the world, than to transcend their righteousness, and scrupulously abstain from all unpeaceable resistance of their temporal authority? No. Did Christ or his apostles ever teach or practise the rightfulness of inflicting death on any human being, or any lesser harm, or any retaliation of injury, under any pretext whatsoever? No. Did not the Master and his apostles often solemnly enjoin the sublime duty of loving enemies and offenders with the love that seeks to overcome all evil with good? Yes. Did he or they ever speak of caste distinctions, whereby superiors assumed to aggrandize themselves over inferiors, as justifiable, commendable, or innocent? No, but the contrary. Did they not emphatically deprecate the accumulation of riches by individuals as morally harmful and dangerous? and did they not always inculcate the duty of using property in a fraternal spirit for the general good? The record is unmistakably plain on this point. The same is true of oath-taking, chastity, and nearly all the specifications of our declaration.

In further confirmation of the same ethical conclusions, every article of my theology logically forced me to the same ultimate conviction of duty. The all-perfect Fatherhood of God; the pre-eminent Christhood of Jesus; the brotherhood of all human and other moral intelligences; the moral agency, responsibility, and progressive perfectibility of mankind under divine discipline; the destined final triumph of good over evil in our universe, and the duty to pray and labor for universal blessedness, — all ran in one ethical direction, enthroning the obligations of perfect love throughout the whole realm of moral being. It was thus that my mind reached the acme of its ethical superstructure. Nor can I now recede from them without reversing my premises. Reverse either of them, and my moral fabric would be fatally weakened. Convince me that God is *not* the all-perfect Father of the whole moral universe, so that there are more or less moral agents to whose highest good he is, or for any reason ever will be, hostile or indifferent, and then I shall logically set a corresponding limit to my ethics. For whom God reprobates, destroys, or abandons to hopeless ruin, I may rightfully treat accordingly. A main pillar in my edifice of perfect righteousness would then come down with a crash. Shall a man be better than God? Convince me that

Jesus Christ is not to be reverenced and trusted, as invested with plenary divine authority, above his own human selfhood, to teach and exemplify perfect righteousness, and I must of course cease to consider the ethics of the New Testament of any superhuman value or extraordinary importance. Thus another of my main pillars would crumble into dust. My declaration of faith, principles, and duties, would be a mere human contrivance. Convince me that the universal brotherhood of man and other moral intelligences is not an absolute reality, in any such sense as that one brother or sister of the family may, under some circumstances, rightfully kill, injure, harm, or hate another, and my declaration must be both false and absurd. For that brotherhood which could be exemplified by treating an acknowledged brother or sister like a ferocious beast, venomous reptile, or contemptible *thing*, would be at best but a rhetorical fiction. Convince me that mankind are not by nature disciplinable and progressibly perfectible moral agents under the divine government, so that some of them are mere automata and others liable to become incurable reprobates, and I will treat them accordingly, and abandon my declaration forever. Its foundation would then have been destroyed. So, if I can be convinced that God has not destined the complete final triumph of good over evil in our moral universe, but wills or consents that a portion of the human race shall be endlessly sinful and miserable, or shall be stricken out of existence as hopeless incurables, I will cease to aim at overcoming evil with good in all extreme cases. Or, finally, if it is wrong to pray and labor for universal holiness and happiness, then I have built my house on sand. Convinced of this, I will cease to work for the abolition of war, capital punishment, self-defensive homicide, or any so-called justifiable resort to deadly force. I will sorrowfully return, *logically and squarely*, back to the popular civil and military standard of righteousness; for it would then be conclusively settled in my mind that good and evil are both ineradicably grounded in the very nature and destiny of our universe, beyond all possibility of doing any thing better for hardened sinners than to crush them out of existence, or imprison them in dungeons of irresistible repression. But, so long as I hold on to my theology, I must hold on to my ethics. Therefore whoever is ambitious to convert me from my ethics must begin at the beginning, and convince me that my articles of theological faith are unsound. If any one of them can be rendered untenable to my highest convictions, I shall be cured of all my extra benevolence and hope. Fraternal communities will then no longer seem to me possible or desirable.

Still, however, I shall be asked, How could you expect to succeed

in such an undertaking, under such immense disadvantages? Because I had unbounded confidence in my objects and principles, in human capabilities, and in divine favor. I believed firmly in the two old axioms, "What ought to be done can be done," and "Where there is a will there is a way." I was extremely sanguine in my aspirations and hopes. I can now honestly confess that I expected too much, too *soon;* that I had more zeal than knowledge of indispensable conditions; that I did not fully count the cost; that I very insufficiently understood several indispensable requisites to success; that I was too much in haste to wait for necessary preparations; and that I overrated the fitness of myself and associates for such an enterprise. Hence our failure. What then? Is it necessarily a final failure? Would it have been better, on the whole, not to make the attempt? Or, more probably, was the attempt providentially necessary in the order of progress, to enable successors to understand and secure the requisite conditions of accomplishment? There will certainly be successors on the same general platform, who doubtless will profit by the mistakes of their predecessors, and who will finally achieve the desired results. This is the light in which I now view the subject. If my failure, such as it was, is deemed disgraceful, I willingly accept all the reproach and shame that may be laid upon me. I shall never deem halting prudence and contentment in mere *theory* more honorable than earnest endeavors to actualize worthy schemes. I did not expect the *perfect* exemplification of our community ethics and plan by its adherents; but I *did* expect much more than I realized, notwithstanding our obvious imperfections and disadvantages. Yet I have learned not to regret the undertaking; for, after all, I do not conceive how I could have put myself to a better use. I, at least, have gained wisdom.

As to forewarnings and predictions of failure, I had no lack of them from the outside. Opposers and well-wishing friends did not conceal their opinions as to the result. The former *knew*, and the latter *feared*, I was doomed to disappointment. I neither wondered at this, nor complained of it. Nothing less was to have been expected of them. But, on the whole, all classes treated me generously from the beginning to the end. For toleration by opposers, and many kindnesses on the part of unbelieving well-wishers, I have abundant reasons for thankfulness. The failure arose from within, and among ourselves. The stones of our social edifice were too imperfectly hewn, our mortar needed a better temper, and too much of our timber was unseasoned. We ought to have had beforehand a well-disciplined, practical Christian church, schooled prospectively for the ultimate

establishment of such communities ; then we could have made a suitable selection of building materials ; and then, also, we could have started with ample consecrated funds, buildings, and pecuniary resources. These we had not. May our successors make better preparations ! Finally, when I consider the imperfection of our outfit, our crude personal discipline, and the innumerable powerful temptations within and around us, constantly seducing us back into the old ruts of general society, I cannot wonder at our failure. I therefore acquiesce, in "hope of a better resurrection." Such is my explanation of *how* and *why* I projected the Hopedale Community on the platform prescribed, why the enterprise failed, and how I now regard the whole subject. I have spoken perhaps too much in the first person singular. I have done so partly because I know myself to have been mainly responsible for the community's existence ; partly because I fully understood my own motives and reasons for the undertaking ; and partly because, in speaking for myself, I could fairly indicate the principal sentiments of my colleagues without assuming that they were in all respects identical with my own. I submit what I have written to the generous consideration of those who have interest enough in the movement to inquire into its merits, and candor enough to do justice to the motives of its responsible promoters. I subjoin only the number of the community's members, at successive stages, and the names of its principal officers.

The number of members at organization, in 1841, was just thirty-two, which gradually arose to about one hundred, and declined to the present remnant of less than forty, mostly scattered abroad over the country. Probationers and dependents were not accounted members. The organization still nominally exists, but is wholly inert. It had officers of various grades and functions. Its *Presidents* were, successively, Adin Ballou, Ebenezer D. Draper, William S. Heywood, and William H. Humphrey ; *Secretaries, or Recorders*, William W. Cook, Abby H. Price, Lemuel Munyan, Edmund Soward, Daniel S. Whitney, William S. Heywood, Catherine G. Munyan, Mary A. Walden, Abbie B Heywood, Abbie J. Spalding, Cyrus Bradbury, and John L. Heywood ; *Treasurers*, Ebenr. D. Draper, Lemuel Munyan, and Cyrus Bradbury ; *Executive Council, Business Trustees, or Directors*, Lemuel Munyan, E. D. Draper, David R. Lamson, Henry Lillie, Daniel S. Whitney, Butler Wilmarth, William H. Fish, Amos J. Ballou, George W. Stacy, Clement O. Read, Horatio Edson, Almon Thwing, William H. Humphrey, William W. Cook, Dudley B. Chapman, William S. Heywood, Alonzo A. Cook, Joseph B. Bancroft, Stephen Albee, Cyrus Bradbury, George Draper, and perhaps one or two overlooked

in scanning the records. At one period *Vice-Presidents* were chosen, of whom I find three recorded: viz., William S. Heywood, Wm. H. Humphrey, and Wm. W. Cook. After 1850 there was a permanent board of real-estate Trustees, kept full to the constitutional number of five, until a few years ago. Such were Adin Ballou, Ebenr. D. Draper, Wm. H. Humphrey, Butler Wilmarth, Almon Thwing, Stephen Albee, John L. Heywood, and Jerome Wilmarth. The three first named still stand, and act when occasion requires. There was a Board of Education, a Council of Religion, a Promulgation Committee, a Relief Committee, and other minor officers, regularly chosen; but I refrain from adding their names to the foregoing. I now close with the single remark, that, though the Hopedale Community failed, it has experienced a no worse fate than has fallen to many a beneficent and noble undertaking on the long march of human progress.

THE HOPEDALE PARISH.

This religious organization, which, as assign and successor of the Hopedale Community, accepted its remaining resident members, its meeting-house, minister, Sunday-school, cemetery, and disposable funds, deserves at least a brief record in this part of the town's history. It was formed, after due preliminary consideration, Oct. 27, 1867, under the following

CONSTITUTION.

"Whereas, in the year 1856, the Hopedale Community so altered their Constitution as to admit settlers among them *friendly* to their declared fundamental principles, though not required to become members of the Community organization; and

"Whereas all homesteads and other real estate have been conveyed to such admitted settlers on expressed conditions which in honor bind them to maintain respectful and friendly relations toward said Community; and

"Whereas, in consequence of the constitutional alteration aforesaid, many persons have become inhabitants of Hopedale who are not members of the Community organization, nor likely to become such, but who are willing to co-operate with it, to a greater or less extent, in supporting public worship, religious meetings, the Sunday school, sacred music, and other instrumentalities for the promotion of moral order in the neighborhood;

"Therefore, in general harmony with said Community, a Liberal Christian Society is hereby formed, to be called the Hopedale Parish; which shall be organized and governed in accordance with the following Articles of Compact: to wit, —

"Article I. This Parish shall exercise all its powers, rights, and privileges, in friendly concurrence and co-operation with the Hopedale Community, so far as respects the particulars set forth in the foregoing preamble.

"ART. II. Any person sixteen years of age, residing in Hopedale or its vicinity, may become a voting member of this Parish, by subscribing this Constitution, and contributing annually to its funds.

"ART. III. This Parish shall hold an annual meeting, during the first week of December in each year, for the choice of officers and the transaction of other legitimate business ; also such special meetings from time to time as occasion may require. All meetings shall be duly notified in accordance with a prescriptive standing rule, enacted by the Parish for that purpose ; and nine members shall constitute a quorum.

"ART. IV. The officers of this Parish shall be an Executive Committee, consisting of three or more members, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Collector ; also, more permanently, a board of three Trustees, who shall hold in trust such property of the Parish as may be deemed expedient, and serve for a term of three years. They shall be competent to receive and convey titles to real estate, and to exercise all the powers vested by the laws of Massachusetts in trustees of religious societies. Any other officers, of whatever title or function, may be chosen from time to time as necessity or expediency shall be deemed to require. All Parish officers shall perform the duties indicated by their titles, subject always to the rules, regulations, and instructions of the Parish. They shall keep reliable records of their doings, and continue to exercise their respective functions till relieved by duly elected successors.

"ART. V. This Parish may enact any rules, regulations, or by-laws, not inconsistent with their Constitution for the time being. And this Constitution may be altered or amended, in any respect not unfriendly to the Hopedale Community, by a two-thirds vote of the members present and acting in any regular meeting notified for that purpose.

"In testimony and full ratification whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our respective names, at the dates specified opposite thereto.

STANDING RULE.

"All annual and other meetings of this Parish for the transaction of important business shall be notified by a written call from the Executive Committee, or the Clerk, specifying the time, place, and principal purposes of the meeting ; which call shall be posted in the entry of the Hopedale chapel, at least seven days prior to the time appointed, and be read from the desk at least once. Meetings for the transaction of comparatively unimportant business shall be deemed regular, if notified by a written call from said Committee, or Clerk, once read from the desk ; provided no member shall object to action under such notification."

This constitution sufficiently explains the origin and character of the parish. It was formally sanctioned by the community at a regular meeting, held Jan. 8, 1868, by the following recorded vote : —

"*Whereas* the inhabitants of Hopedale have recently formed a Liberal Christian Society, entitled the Hopedale Parish, under a constitution which

declares the same to be in general harmony with this Community, particularly in respect to supporting public worship, religious meetings, the Sunday school, sacred music, and other instrumentalities for the promotion of moral order in the neighborhood; and whereas said constitution pledges it to exercise all its powers, rights, and privileges in friendly concurrence and co-operation with this Community, in the respects aforesaid, and never to make any constitutional changes unfriendly to our organization; and whereas, with the general consent of our resident members, who are also members of said parish, it has accepted the responsibility of managing the principal parochial affairs heretofore managed by this Community, — all of which fully appears on the parish records: now, therefore, be it

"*Resolved and declared* by the Hopedale Community, in regular meeting assembled, that we fully assent to, approve of, and sanction the formation, organization, proceedings, and measures thus far, of said Hopedale Parish.

"*And be it further resolved and declared*, that, so long as the Hopedale Parish shall discharge the parochial responsibilities it has accepted, in general harmony with the fundamental principles of this Community, and according to its pledges, this Community will not interfere with its management of parochial affairs, but quietly acquiesce in the same: *provided*, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall in any wise debar this Community from exercising its right to advise or remonstrate, as a co-ordinate body, with said parish in respect to any future measure which may be deemed to require Community interference."

No occasion arose for remonstrance against parish proceedings; and on the fifteenth day of Dec., 1873, the community trustees transferred, by legal conveyance, all their right, title, interest, and control in, unto, and over Community Square, the meeting-house thereon standing, and the Hopedale Cemetery, to the parish. On the seventh day of Dec., 1875, the said trustees formally transferred to the parish the bulk of the *Soward Fund*, so called, which was donated to them in trust several years before to promote the mental and moral improvement of the young in the community. The sum thus transferred was $800, and on the specific condition that only the annual income thereof should be expended in aid of the Hopedale Sunday-school library.

Immediately after the organization of the parish, the writer was called to officiate as its regular minister and pastor, with the tender of $800 per annum, payable quarterly. He accepted; and the relationship continued, by mutual consent, on the same terms, to the time of this writing, — April, 1879.

The circumstances of both parties have been somewhat peculiar. The parish has had no definite creed, declaration of principles, or church covenant. As a parish it professes nothing but what is said

or implied in its constitution. It has always hitherto been comparatively small, — never numbering over one hundred and twenty voting members, and these entertaining a variety of divergent opinions on religious and ethical subjects. At the same time the village became populated with many strangers to the old community, whose predilections were for the religious institutions in Milford Centre, or averse, for other reasons, to uniting with the parish in its Sunday meetings. Dissent or indifference has thrown the burden of sustaining parish maintenance mainly on a few members. These, however, have been able, willing, and determined supporters; though they have never attempted to proselyte, or persuade the reluctant to join them. On my part, I was a sort of minister-at-large to a wide-spread, unorganized parish, to whom I ministered at funerals and on divers occasions. My creed and ethics had long been definitely proclaimed, and I was inflexibly attached to my platform of doctrines and duties. I had failed to hold the Hopedale Community together around my standard, and was half spoiled for devotedly working on a lower plane. It would have been useless to ask me to change my preaching or practice in any essential respect. Meantime I was growing older every day, and must be made the best of as I was. Happily my supporters were as willing to let me preach and practise my honest convictions as they were determined to follow their own, however they might differ from mine. There was no hostility on account of our differences. There were important points of agreement, as well as disagreement; and both parties maintained their rights under a mutual good understanding. I never had cause to complain that I was not duly respected, and even reverenced, by my parishioners; and I believe that most of them have felt that I was true to the standard of righteousness taught and exemplified by Christ, which, nevertheless, they deemed impracticable in the present stage of human development. Under such circumstances, it has been all but impossible for me to accomplish much for my own ideal, or to do as much for the building up of the parish as I might have done if I had never risen above the old social and pastoral ideal. In that case I might have strenuously and successfully insisted on the establishment of a *church*, distinct from the *congregation*, — one of the ordinary type, observant of the sacraments; also prayer and conference meetings for special religious culture, which, properly conducted, I deem very useful. But these have not been established; and the field has been partly left to our Evangelical friends, who have sown and reaped therein with commendable zeal and some success. The Sunday school has been our chief religious instrumentality outside of public worship and the pul-

pit. This has always been comparatively prosperous. Social entertainments and incidental gatherings of various interest have had their place. In 1873, at the age of seventy years, I tendered my resignation as pastor, thereby giving the parish full opportunity to fill my position with a younger man, who might be better adapted to interest the people, and build up the parochial edifice. The resignation was met with so strong a remonstrance, and so unanimous a request for its withdrawal, that I recalled it, and so continued in my ministry for seven years longer, finally closing my pastorate April 25, 1880.

Although our religious society was and is denominated ecclesiastically *Independent*, we joined the "Worcester County Conference of Congregational (Unitarian) and other Christian Societies," Dec. 15, 1868. I had been a Unitarian, of what I believed to be the New Testament pattern, from my youth up; and all my parishioners were more or less of the same general persuasion. We received fraternal intimations beforehand that we should be cordially welcomed, on application, into the conference; and so we were. No compromises of peculiar faith and practice were required on either side, and no objectionable obligations assumed. The connection has been mutually pleasant to the parties, and, I trust, morally profitable. Meantime we have endeavored to live on friendly and peaceable terms with our co-religionists and non-religionists of all denominations, freely according to them every right which we claimed for ourselves.

Since my resignation, April 23, 1880, the Hopedale pulpit has been supplied by numerous clergymen, but latterly largely by Rev. A. S. Garver, an eminently worthy man and acceptable preacher. At a regular parish meeting, held April 14, 1881, Rev. Mr. Garver was unanimously called to the pastorate, as my successor, on an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars.

I close by subjoining the names of the principal parish officers who have served since organization: to wit, as *Executive Committee*, Almon Thwing, Anna T. Draper, Warren W. Dutcher, Joseph B. Bancroft, Nathan Chapman, William H. Humphrey, Frederick S. Cox, Delano Patrick, Frank J. Dutcher, and George O. Hatch; as *Clerk*, Sarah J. Hatch, Anna Thwing, Frank J. Dutcher, Anna M. Bancroft; as *Treasurer*, William F. Draper, Eben D. Bancroft; as *Trustees*, William H. Humphrey, William F. Draper, Almon Thwing; as *Collector*, George O. Hatch, Edward S. Stimpson; as *Superintendent of Sunday School*, William F. Draper, Walter E. Knight; as *Librarian*, Frank J. Dutcher; as *Sexton*, John S. Eaton, James D. Draper. *Number of volumes* in sunday school library, 900; *average Sunday-school* attendance, 75; *seating capacity* of the church, 350;

audiences, from 75 to 150. Latterly a promising increase in all departments of parish interest.

VII. MISCELLANIES.

The Unitarians. — A Unitarian society was organized in the Centre about the year 1865, and continued to meet regularly for public worship in a hired hall for some two years. Rev. Daniel Bowen, now in Florida, was their pastor. I have tried unsuccessfully to find the records of that society, and by other means to ascertain the particulars of its organization, numbers, officers, and operations. No one of whom I have inquired seems able to give me any exact information, or to refer me to sources of authentic intelligence. I had some acquaintance with Mr. Bowen, who always appeared to be an intelligent and exemplary man. His leading parishioners are old and worthy friends of mine; and perhaps if I had more generally and persistently pushed my inquiries among them, I could have made this account of their society more satisfactory. Their numbers and financial strength seem not to have been adequate to the permanent maintenance of their organization. It therefore soon became defunct, and there are no present hopeful indications of its resurrection.

The Spiritualists. — There have been, and still are, many believers in modern Spiritualism among us; but no permanently organized society exists within our limits. Several temporary organizations — designed mainly to secure series of lectures, or circle séances — have successively arisen and passed away. I am not aware that any such are now operative; though I presume private circles are held with more or less frequency, and public lectures are expected in the future, as circumstances may favor. Within the past twenty-five years numerous discourses from eminent speakers, both trance and normal, have called out large congregations; and during several seasons continuous regular meetings have been sustained for months in succession. But organization does not suit the genius of modern Spiritualism, and is not likely to prevail at present, if ever, anywhere under its inspirations. Individualism, and the largest liberty, seem to be so fondly cherished by its adherents generally, and they hold so many discordant views of truth and duty, that permanent organization is neither practicable nor desirable with the majority of them. Meantime, religionists of all denominations have already absorbed, or will ultimately absorb, a large portion of the truth and good embraced in both ancient and modern Spiritualism, and incorporate it with the life of their own organizations.

I conclude this chapter with the just and commendatory remark,

that though the creeds, ceremonials, ecclesiasticisms, beliefs, and unbeliefs of our people are so widely divergent, and though so many of us are inflexibly set in the way of our honest convictions, there is not a population of the same size in the wide world more mutually tolerant of differences, or more willing to think and let think peaceably, than the inhabitants of this municipality.

CHAPTER XI.

PAUPERISM, BOARD OF HEALTH, AND FIRE-DEPARTMENT.

Maintenance and Management of the Poor till 1825. — Reference to Chap. VI., where the Subject was opened. — Early Agreements and Settlements with Mendon. — Approximate Conjectural Estimates of Numbers and Cost for many Years. — The Vendue Custom, its Abuses and Supersession. — The Contract System, its Abuses and Peculiarities. — The Town decides to buy a Farm, and establish an Asylum, and does so in 1825.

Management and Operations since 1825. — Historic and Statistical Statements, exhibiting the more Important Facts relating to the Support of our Poor, in and out of the Asylum, as derived from Annual Reports by the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, especially their Printed Reports; closing with a List of Superintendents and Matrons of the Establishment.

History and Statistics of the Board of Health. — Its Organization in 1859. — Rules and Regulations then adopted. — Names and Doings of its Members briefly given, so far as ascertainable, to 1879.

History and Statistics of our Fire-Department. — First Fire-Engines in Milford, 1831. — First Volunteer Engine Co. — Subject first acted on by the Town in 1837. — Two Engine Co.'s in 1839. — Town Encouragements and Action. — Annual Expenses down to 1855. — Organization of the Fire-Department: Rules and Regulations. — Tabulation of the Principal Facts and Statistics, down to 1881, compiled from Annual Reports. — Names of Engineers and their Officers.

MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE POOR TILL 1825.

THE reader is referred to page 96, Chap. VI., for the commencement of this subject. The substance of what was there stated is, that our early townsmen had a great dread of pauperism in the meagreness of their taxable resources; that their burdens of this nature were probably much heavier than ours, in proportion to municipal ability; that they availed themselves of the stringent laws then in force against gaining new inhabitancy, by passing certain votes, under which all comers into our territory since 1767 were warned out of town; that the method of maintaining the poor was then such as generally prevailed in New England, which was, venduing them, to be kept by the lowest bidder, or letting them out under special contract, to be boarded, etc., or making small stipends to their family relatives for taking care of such as were only partially chargeable for public support; that, consequently, some fared passably well, and others deplorably ill, according to the moral character of their keepers; that once or twice the Town hired a workhouse, and put the poor in charge of

an overseer; and that various projects were proposed about purchasing a poor-farm, building an asylum, etc., none of which then proved practicable.

According to the agreements and settlements made with mother Mendon, our town was bound to maintain all the poor properly belonging on its territory before incorporation, and all such as should be sent back from other towns for support that had ever belonged here. This occasioned afterwards some disputes between the two towns as to where certain families and persons, sent back for maintenance, did really belong. But such disputes were, I believe, all amicably settled. The recorded settlement of Mar. 26, 1781, purports that the joint committee of the two towns had "committed a written Division of Said Poor," etc., "unto the Town Clerks of Said Mendon and Milford to be Recorded." I have sought, but never found, in either town-clerk's office, this record of the division of the poor. I regret this; for it deprives me of the important fact, how many poor Milford actually started with. Nor have I been able to find any record or document in our archives whereby to ascertain this fact. Indeed, there are very few records or memoranda extant relating to our town's poor, until the year 1794, and thereafter: during over thirty years, my chief reliance for information has been the selectmen's *order*-books, containing also certain records of contracts about keeping poor persons.

The following report of a joint committee, bearing date Jan. 18, 1785, shows how matters stood between the two towns at that time: —

"The Committees, appointed by the Towns of Mendon and Milford to Settle all disputes between Said Towns respecting the Poor that have been brought back to Said Towns from other Towns, have agreed that the Town of Mendon should take and maintain Luther Easling, Son of Rhoda Easling, as their Poor, and pay to the Town of Milford forty-five Shillings, and acquit the Town of Milford from all the Charges the Said Town of Mendon has been at in Supporting and transporting the Said Rhoda Easling and her Children at any time before this Date: and the Town of Milford to take the Daughter or other Child of the Sd. Rhoda Easling and Support it as their poor, and to acquit the Town of Mendon from all Cost and Charges they have been at in Supporting and transporting the Said Rhoda Easling and Children at any time before this date: and that Priscilla Dolbear, Daughter of David Dolbear, be Supported by the Said Town of Milford, and Hannah Arnold and Abigail Hewes be Supported by the Town of Mendon. And it is the opinion of your Committee, that the original agreement, made between the Towns before the Town of Milford was set off, be and remain in full force, with this explanation thereon; that is to say, that all persons brought

back to Either of Said Towns, those born in Either Town shall return to the Town in which they were born — and those brought back which have otherwise gained a residence in Either of Said Towns, then they Shall return to the Town in which they last gained a lawful residence, and to be accordingly maintained; and also all Persons, old and young, Shall be Supported in and by the Town in which they then lived as their Home at the time when the Town of Milford was set off into a Separate Town.

"[For Milford] Seth Nelson, Samuel Warren, Samuel Jones. [For Mendon] Peter Penniman, John Tyler, Benjamin Read."

Previous to the year 1794, Milford warned out of town about fifty families that had settled on its territory since 1767, and probably in all, not fewer than two hundred and twenty-five persons. Formal process was served on all these families, regardless of their standing. A small proportion of them were very likely to become paupers, and many of them became families of eminently respectable rank in town. How many of them actually left town, I find no data to show. I presume to guess the number was very small. But the legal warning quieted all apprehensions of danger for the time, and not long afterwards ceased to be of any serious importance. As to the number of town's poor before 1794, it can only be conjectured approximately. I think it must have been nearly one per cent of the population; beginning perhaps with seven persons in 1780, and rising to eight in 1790, besides a few others each year slightly relieved. In 1794 my rather imperfect data seem to indicate certainly nine proper paupers, maintained at the cost of about $2.50, or an average of about fifty cents each, per week, excluding clothing, doctor's bills, and other incidentals. In 1805, out of a population of nine hundred and fifty I estimate probably twelve to have been fully or partially provided for, at an expense of about $3.75, or seventy-two cents each, per week. My data do not warrant pretensions to exact accuracy. In 1815, population one thousand or thereabouts, I find some fifteen names of town's poor, supported at a total cost of over $6.50, or an average of over seventy cents each, per week. Between 1805 and 1815 considerable amelioration was effected in the treatment of the poor. In 1806 Arial Bragg, afterwards familiarly known among us as Col. Bragg, led off, and so strenuously insisted on the abolition of the old *vendue* custom of letting out the town paupers to be kept by the lowest bidders, that a formal vote was passed to that effect. It was a custom that reduced the cost of providing for the poor to the lowest terms, but was fraught everywhere with lamentable abuses. Col. Bragg had tasted in early life of its privations, and witnessed them

in the experience of others with sympathetic abhorrence. Happily he moved a goodly majority of his townsmen to unite with him in crushing out this abomination. It was partially and temporarily revived afterwards, but the public sentiment against it had become so strong, that it soon died out in our town; and thenceforth our poor have been treated with increasing humane consideration, till now they are far better provided for in our asylum, as to the substantial comforts of life, than hundreds in their family homes.

In 1825 the Town took the important step of purchasing a farm and establishing an asylum for their poor. After considerable agitation of the subject, and a favorable report by a special committee of inquiry, the question came legally before the Town, Feb. 7, 1825, and was decided in the affirmative by a yea and nay vote, — seventy-six to fifty-two. "Voted to purchase a farm for an establishment for the poor of said town." Chose Pearley Hunt, John Claflin, and Esek Greene "a committee for the above-mentioned purpose." "Voted that the Selectmen give security, in behalf of the Town, for the payment of the farm which the Committee shall purchase." "Voted that the Committee shall agree with an Overseer, and make such other arrangements as are necessary to carry the foregoing into effect." (*Town Records*, vol. ii., pp. 423, 424.) The farm, ever since occupied, was purchased of Amariah Daniels for $3,500, and conveyed by him to the then selectmen in a deed bearing date Feb. 17, 1825; which will be found specified among the deeds to and from the inhabitants of Milford in Chap. XII. The new establishment was forthwith opened under the superintendence of John Stearns. For the year ending March 4, 1825, the town maintained, as nearly as I can ascertain from the Selectmen's orders, over twenty out of a population of about twelve hundred, at a cost of perhaps $1,150, averaging (if but twenty persons), about $1.10½ each per week. Thus, on the basis of my estimates, the Town had paid out, during the forty-five years of its existence down to the spring of 1825, a total for the maintenance of its poor, of not less than $25,000, or perhaps $30,000. These, however, are too largely guess-work estimates to be critically trusted. But, before I come to the more reliable data and figures of subsequent times, I will present a few incidental curiosities of the period I have been traversing.

Among the curiosities alluded to were the devices made use of for preventing and curtailing pauper expenses. Of course, whenever the burden could be thrown on other towns, with or without a lawsuit, it was done, as was the common practice of their neighbors. Here is a specimen of shrewdness: Mar. 30, 1790, "Voted to leave it with

the Selectmen to provide a man and team to move Paul Lesure and his family to Partridgefield on the cost of the Town." This was a two-edged kind of charity. Still earlier, "Voted that the family that was sent from Sutton to Mendon to be supported, return to Sutton again." I infer that Mendon had signified to Milford that this was a case for the latter to look after. The form of the vote exhibits cool wit; inasmuch as the poor family was left to take all the responsibility of returning to Sutton. When a family possessing a small homestead was in danger of becoming chargeable, the Town would loan them money enough to keep them from absolute want, and take a mortgage of the premises. In other cases humble abodes were bought or built for needy families to live in and pick up a scanty support with the least possible additional aid. There was nothing unnatural or very objectionable in such methods. It was felt to be dictated by a necessary and wise municipal economy. But when the vendue custom flourished, there arose some scandalous cases, as in most other towns. Nor did such cases wholly cease for some time after the town voted to abolish that barbaric custom. Still the poor were let out to be kept by contractors, — an individual here, a family there, and a group yonder, — so long as the town had no common asylum. When they were under the care of family relatives or humane contractors, there was little just complaint. But in some other cases stinginess and negligence produced their cruel fruits. These were semi-starvation and filth. Yet they were not always published till the sufferers fell into better hands. So late as February, 1812, our oldest extant selectmen's record of orders contains the following unsavory entries, —

"Also one order to Seth Albee, for Cleaning the wid. Grace Adams of lice, etc., $6 17." "Also one order to Ruth Albee, of five Dollars and Sixty-seven cents, for Cleaning Rachel Kilborn of lice, etc., $5.67."

These are the only grossly disgraceful instances that got on record, though tradition tells kindred tales, alike discreditable to the old system of pauper management. I mention these probably exceptional instances with reluctance, and only in contrast with the present management of our poor, on which we have good reason to congratulate all parties concerned. There are other curiosities for the reader in the recorded written contracts made by the selectmen with those who engaged to keep the poor. Just when these written contracts came into vogue in our town, I have not ascertained. Here is the oldest I have found: —

"An agreement made by the Selectmen with Daniel Hunt, to let Samuel Albee and wife have house room and fire wood Six months from the first Tuesday of March, 1794, for which he is to have 2*s*. a week, and to have 3*s*. for a garden this year."

"April 23 [1794]. Agreed with Noah Wiswall to keep the widow Wheat 2 months for 4*s*. a week; he is to Reduck out of that sum for all the work she does."

"March 20, 1802. Then the Selectmen agreed with Elias Whitney for to keep the Widdow Sarah Hayward and Oliver Hayward [her son] untill the next Anual March Meeting, for Eleven Shillings pr. week; provided they Remain in their usual State of Health; and said Whitney is to find Oliver Hayward and keep him in as good Cloaths as he has when he receives him. ELIAS WHITNEY."

"March 22, 1796. Then the Select Men of Milford Agreed with Thomas Albee to keep his Mother Albee, at the going price of Three pecks of Indian Corn per week, until the first Tuesday of March next"

"Milford, March 10, 1804. I, the Subscriber, agree with the Selectmen of Milford to Keep and Board Ebenezer Torrey from the 13th of March, 1804, to the 13th of March, 1805, for which I am to have 92 cents and 3 Mills Per week; Provided he Remains as Well as Usual: also to Wash and Mend his Clothes, and Keep them in good Order.

CALEB WILSON."

"March 11, 1805. This day the Select Men agreed with Mr. John Hero to Board and Keep the Widow Elizabeth Hayward from the 5th Day of March, 1805, until the First Wednesday of March, 1806, at Seventy-five Cents Per Week. We also agree to give said Hero Two Gallons of New Rum, and 25 Cents in Brandy or Opium. Provided She should not Remain as Well as Usual, Said Hero to be allowed all Reasonable Expense.

JOHN HERO."

"March 6, 1807. I, the Subscriber, agree with the Select men of Milford to take and Support the following named persons, said Town's poor, that is, John Leshure, widow Leshure and her two youngest Children, Rachel Kilbon, Oliver Hayward, and Stephen Temple and wife and 2 Children, at five Dollars and Seventy cents per week; Oliver Hayward's Cloaths to be kept in as good repair as they now are; Extraordinary Sickness Excepted; the above Said persons to be kept till the first Tuesday of March next: if Stephen Temple and wife and Children are Discharged from the Town of Milford, two Dollars and twenty cents is to be reducted out of the above-mentioned Sum per week. JOEL HUNT."

As time rolled on, and abuses were detected, the agreements were made more stringent. Here is one, the last sample I will give you: —

"I, the Subscriber, do hereby promise and agree to take and Support, through Sickness and health, in a decent Manner for the Term of one year

from this date, the following Persons, Poor of Milford : Namely, Asa Hayward, Oliver Hayward, John Lesure, Ebenezer Torrey, Joseph Sumner, Ruth Sumner and her Child, Grace Adams, Sarah Hayward, Hannah Kilbon, Rachel Kilbon, and Clear Said Town of Milford of all Expense whatever on their account, Except Clothing for Said Persons ; the Subscriber to have the use of what Bed Clothes now belong to Said Poor for their use; Said Subscriber, further and in addition to the above, doth hereby agree with the Selectmen of Said Milford not to put any of Said Poor to any other Person to keep without the Consent of Said Selectmen — for the Sum of Three hundred and Seventeen Dollars, to be paid in Town orders at the Expiration of Said Term : in addition to the above, Said Subscriber, in case any of Said Poor shall Die in said Term, is to See them Decently Buried at his own Expense. DANIEL HEMENWAY.

"MILFORD, March 8, 1810.

"N. B. Said Hemenway is to keep said Poor until the Tenth of March next."

From this agreement it would seem that the regular paupers of the town in 1810 numbered eleven, though others were probably helped ; also that these eleven were supported at the cost of $317, exclusive of clothing and incidental charges. I presume, in view of this and numerous other similar agreements, that the fathers of the town felt that they were doing all they could for the well-being of their poor under the system then in operation. Thus I have given as clear and full a view of what was done for the maintenance of Milford's poor, during the first forty-five years of its corporate existence, as my imperfect resources allowed. In the next section my data, from authentic documents, will be far more ample, reliable, and satisfactory.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS SINCE 1825.

The Town took possession of their newly-purchased farm in the spring of 1825, elected responsible overseers, adopted a code of rules and regulations for the government of their pauper household, appointed a superintendent, removed most of those who could be judiciously domiciliated together, stocked the establishment so far as necessary, opened books of account, and, in fine, inaugurated the new order of things, as well as the nature of the case admitted. The dwelling-house was of the olden type, in ordinary repair, and barely large enough to accommodate tolerably the fifteen to twenty inmates needing quarters. The farm contained one hundred and ten acres at that time, with an outlying wood-lot of nine acres more. The outbuildings corresponded in size and quality with the house, and there was room for improvement all about the premises. The cost of

the establishment, as before stated, was three thousand five hundred dollars, — a debt running on six per cent interest. The records and accounts, intended to exhibit the number, classification, and cost of the poor, are not quite so lucid for several of the earlier years as I could wish, but I will deduce what information I can from them. So far as I ever heard, the institution has worked satisfactorily to all parties concerned, reasonable allowance being made for inevitable imperfections and incidental frictions. The Town have found it more economical, and the inmates far more comfortable, than under the former isolated system. It has been the practice to place all our poor in the asylum who could not, all things considered, be better provided for elsewhere. Sometimes, when family relatives were willing to care for them in their own homes, on a moderate allowance from the Town, an arrangement has been made to that effect. In other cases, supplies, to a limited extent, have been furnished to families at their own residence, who else might become wholly a town charge. In a few instances whole families have been taken out of the poor-establishment for a year, more or less, at a time, into the families of citizens who wanted their domestic services, and were willing to pay something for them, or at least guarantee the Town against ordinary expense on their account. The young have been bound out to service till of age, or otherwise handed over to such persons as desired to take them off the Town. In all these respects, I presume, our overseers have followed the customs prevalent in such institutions. I might here insert a copy of the rules and regulations, according to which the establishment has been governed since its inauguration in 1825. But I think this unnecessary. They differ little from the generality of such codes in other towns, and have been revised from time to time, as was deemed expedient.

In process of time the original buildings on the farm had to be superseded by new and better ones. In 1840 a substantial new barn was built, at a cost of $815.38. In 1849 the present ample and commodious mansion was erected, at a cost of $3,562.34. The farm has also been enlarged by an additional purchase of some ten or eleven acres. Meantime numerous improvements have been made all about the premises, and they are kept in good order.

I proposed to myself that I would give a tabulated statement of our almshouse financial management, all the way down from 1825, year after year, to the present time. But I found it so difficult to compile an accurate exhibit, that I concluded to content myself with such historical facts as I could easily command from the records previous to the year 1856. Then the overseers began to make annual

reports, which the Town printed. From that date I shall summarize the financial and other details of interest in regular succession of the years. So far as I can judge, there was considerable variation in the numbers domiciliated at the asylum in different years, during this period from 1825 to 1856, and also in the numbers aided outside. There must consequently have been a corresponding difference in the annual expenses, aside from other changing costs. The number in the asylum ranges all the way from twelve to twenty-five. Some of these were transient inmates, either State paupers, or belonging to other towns, or home paupers needing to stay only a part of the year. The number of outsiders relieved seems to have ranged from two or three to fifteen. Some of these received little aid, and others considerable. This latter class, I observe, at one time, during a visitation of small-pox, were quite expensive, on account of extraordinary provisions made necessarily for hospital, nursing, and medical attendance. The average annual cost of providing for the town's poor, notwithstanding all the economy practised throughout this period, appears to have been not less than from seven hundred dollars up to one thousand dollars. This properly included six per cent interest on the capital invested in the establishment, as well as the salary of the superintendent, and all other expenses. I do not find in the oldest overseer's book any such complete record of the names, number, sex, ages, and deaths of our poor, as I expected. Feb. 25, 1834, is the date of the earliest list. The names of eighteen are given in this list. The next year gives thirteen. In neither of these are the sex and age given. From what is plainly indicated, the sexes were nearly equal during these years; and there were only three children in 1834, — none in 1835. Almost all the others were aged, or somewhat elderly people. The list for 1836 gives the names and ages of fourteen inmates. No children are named. There were six males and eight females. The oldest male was seventy-eight years of age; next oldest, seventy-five; next, seventy-three; next, sixty-seven; next, fifty; and the youngest, forty-six. The females ranged downward from sixty-seven years to thirty. Two of the men were State paupers. A little later list, for the same year, gives fifteen inmates, — an additional female. In 1838 I find a list of twenty; in 1839 one of twenty-five, — several children having been added. In 1840 twenty are given, — fewer children, and about the former proportions as to sex and age. In 1841 there were twenty-two, and fifteen outsiders more or less assisted. This is the first list of outsiders given. Among these insiders and outsiders a larger proportion of youth and children appears. This year the overseers recorded a report so lucid

that even I could understand it. It makes the total expense of the Town, on account of its poor, $1,320.48. If this is to be assumed, I have laid my above average per year too low. I suspect, however, that some credits ought to be deducted. .In 1842 the number of inmates comes down to fourteen, and the outsiders to three. In 1843 there is a list of nineteen inmates, and three outsiders, — several children in this list. In 1846 the insiders are put down at twenty-two, and the outside recipients of help at twenty. In 1847 we find but fourteen inmates, and six outsiders. In 1848 the numbers are, fifteen at the asylum, and five outside. I do not seem to find another list till 1856. Meantime there were several deaths at the establishment, either not recorded or so mixed in with the accounts that I cannot easily extract them. But it is observable, all the way through, that the deaths there were comparatively few, and the general health of the inmates remarkably good.

As I have now reached the era of printed reports, I will tabulate the principal statistics necessary to be exhibited, year after year, as they are given. The first column designates the year; the second, the average number provided for in the asylum; the third, the number of town's poor helped outside of the asylum, and the cost; the fourth, the deaths of town's poor; the fifth, the deaths of State paupers; the sixth, the total annual cost of town pauperism, as drawn out of the treasury by orders of the selectmen. These statistics omit some niceties of fact, and may not be exactly accurate on every point; but they are sufficiently comprehensive and correct for the purposes of this history. Each year is understood to close between the middle of February and first of April, or thereabouts. The average number at the asylum implies, of course, that many more may have been transiently provided for there. Very brief notes will fill a seventh column, which will give the amount of personal property at the asylum.

Year.	In Asylum.	Outside and Cost.	Town Deaths.	State Deaths.	Total Expense.	Brief Notes.	
1856	13	16 (not found)	–	15	$2,141 67	Cost of outsiders not given.	
1857	14	20 $337 00	3	–	2,300 00	The establishment reported prosperous.	
1858	–	– –	–	–	2,285 70	Not in command of this year's report.	
1859	17	15 (not found)	–	8	2,180 80	Establishment in fair condition.	
1860	14	24 $289 55	2	13	2,578 19	Movable property on hand,	$1,651 75
1861	20	42 366 20	1	11	2,359 51	" " "	1,961 58
1862	22	53 661 60	5	10	3,076 44	" " "	1,731 64
1863	21	52 1,065 89	3	8	3,060 88	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	2,306 94
1864	23	50 1,040 78	4	11	3,914 14	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	3,182 47
1865	26	60 1,156 28	6	26	4,711 28	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,601 85
1866	32	54 1,630 79	1	10	5,142 92	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,519 59
1867	34	41 1,448 94	1	7	5,600 00	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,900 55
1868	25	35 1,413 67	6	4	4,500 00	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,020 00
1869	20	45 1,857 45	5	3	4,865 10	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,288 64
1870	20	47 2,182 06	7	4	5,000 00	Prosperous. Movable property on hand	4,577 75
1871	24	44 2,433 10	8	3	5,000 00	Fair condition. Movable property on hand	4,433 19
1872	28	55 2,095 47	5	2	5,506 01	Fair condition. Movable property on hand	4,242 00
1873	29	195 1,868 12	7	4	4,863 78	Insanity increases. Movable property on hand	4,690 26
1874	28	56 2,319 14	4	–	6,650 00	Tramps abound. Movable property on hand	4,628 80
1875	22	56 2,508 77	–	–	6,597 84	Expenses increase. Movable property on hand	4,558 00
1876	36	88 3,281 29	–	–	8,660 00	289 tramps lodged. Movable property on hand	4,499 70
1877	39	127 6,627 98	–	–	12,500 00	Heavy expenses. Movable property on hand	4,463 66
1878	36	152 7,167 06	5	–	13,364 86	Much sickness. Movable property on hand	4,271 00
1879	36	142 5,434 63	–	–	11,539 23	Deaths not reported. Movable property on hand.	4,038 48
1880	34	98 3,902 29	–	–	12,479 31	214 tramps. Movable property on hand	4,092 58

Whosoever has curiosity enough to find the formidable amount which it has cost the Town to maintain its poor since 1855, may do so. For some of the years no deaths were reported, probably through omission. For 1878 the overseers reported five deaths at the asylum, and a total of thirty-four, but without specification where. They say, "There has been more sickness among the poor that have received aid for the past year, and more deaths than ever in one year, — thirty-four." This matter of deaths ought to be better reported. Many of the annual reports purport to give the average weekly cost per pauper. In 1860 it is put down at $1.95; in 1870, at $1.90; in

1879, at $1.70; in 1880, at $1.63. Just how this was ascertained, I do not clearly understand, but experts probably can. As to the causes of all this pauperism, I see that in one report the overseers charge four-fifths of it to intemperance, either directly or indirectly. The major portion of it undoubtedly proceeds from this desolating vice. But there are many other causes constantly co-operating to the general result. Some of these are obviously misfortunes, casualties, and infirmities which imply no blame as due to their subjects, or perhaps to any human being. Others are owing to customs, habits, and influences which society might rectify, were it wiser and better. The remainder is brought on individuals, either by their own follies and sins, or those of others, in less excusable ways. But when we consider the immense amount of ignorance and evil circumstances amid which our general population passes through mortal life, it is safer to pity than blame, and for the more favored classes to work for better conditions than to curse the legitimate consequences of unreformed causative influences. I think of nothing more to mention under this head, unless it be to give the names of those who have been superintendents and matrons of our poor-establishment since it was opened in 1825, and likewise their compensation. The overseers of the poor, during this period, will be found specified in their place in Chap. XVI., which treats of the succession of our civil officers, etc. So far as I have been able to ascertain the names of our superintendents, etc., they are as follows: —

John Stearns and wife, to first of April, 1826; compensation, $300 per annum.

Moses Albee and wife, to first of April, 1828; compensation one year, $230 per annum.

Elijah Hayward and wife, to first of April, 1829; compensation one year, $225 per annum.

Nahum Legg and wife, to first of April, 1830; compensation one year, not found.

Chester Clark and wife, to first of April, 1833; compensation three years, not found.

Nathan Keith and wife, to first of April, 1835; compensation two years, $210 per annum.

Josiah Gould and wife, to first of April, 1837; compensation two years, $200 per annum.

Peter Adams and wife, to first of April, 1839; compensation two years, not clear.

Asia Madden and wife, to first of April, 1840; compensation one year, $300 per annum.

Joseph Richards and wife, to first of April, 1843; compensation three years, $254 per annum.

Cyrus Ballou and wife, to first of April, 1846; compensation two years, $250 or more.

Abner A. Leland and wife, to first of April, 1848; compensation two years, $300 perhaps.

Alvan T. Adams (not clear just how this case was), 1851; compensation one year, not clear.

Independence Gore and wife, to first of April, 1855; compensation four years, $350 or more.

Ferdinand Whipple and wife, to first of April, 1858; compensation one year, $350.

Willard Follet and Mrs. Laura A. Ballou, to first of April, 1861; compensation three years, $350 per annum.

John D. Balcomb and wife, to first of April, 1862; compensation one year, $250.

Orlando J. Davis and wife, to first of April, 1867; compensation four years, $250-$300.

Charles Leland and wife, to October, 1868; compensation one year and a half, $250.

Orlando J. Davis and Mrs. Eliza Chapman, to April, 1869; six months, $178.

Sumner Harrington and wife, to April, 1879, etc.; eleven years, $450, $500, $600.

Elias Whitney and wife, to April, 1880, etc.; one year, etc., $550.

I suppose it will not do to assume that the above is perfectly accurate, as to names, facts, and figures; for it was very difficult to deduce them from the records and accounts at command. But the errors, if any, must be unimportant. Perhaps I ought to say that Mr. Harrington received $550 per annum for the years 1877 and 1879, ending April 1, 1880; though for the three preceding years he received $600.

HISTORY AND STATISTICS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Milford decided to have a Board of Health early in 1859. At their April meeting of that year it was voted to choose a Board to consist of five members, three of whom should be physicians and two not. Their first annual report (which was printed, as all subsequent ones have been) opens the history of the Board as follows: —

"At the Annual Town Meeting, holden April 4, 1859, Dr. Dwight Russell, Dr. A. C. Fay, Dr. J. Barnes, George W. Stacy, and A. T. Wilkinson were chosen as a Board of Health for the year ensuing.

"Dr. Fay and Dr. Barnes said, on notification, that they should not serve; and, in view of that fact, were not notified to attend the meeting for the organization of the Board.

"At a meeting of said Board, holden May 9, George W. Stacy was chosen

Chairman and A. T. Wilkinson Secretary. Dr. Dwight Russell was chosen physician to the Board.

"The following Rules and Regulations were adopted for the government of the Board; and it was voted that the same be published for three successive months in 'The Milford Journal:' —

"'ARTICLE I. — The Board of Health shall examine into all nuisances, sources of filth, and causes of sickness, that may, in their opinion, be injurious to the inhabitants within the town, and shall destroy, remove, or prevent the same, as the case may require.

"'ART. II. — Whenever any nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness, shall be found on private property within the town, the Board of Health shall order the owner or occupant thereof to remove the same at his own expense, within twenty-four hours after notice is served upon him; and if the owner or occupant thereof shall neglect so to do, he shall forfeit the sum of twenty dollars for every day that he shall knowingly permit such nuisance, filth, or cause of sickness, to remain, after the time prescribed for the removal thereof.

"'ART. III. — If any householder shall know, or have reason to believe, that any person within his family is taken sick with the small-pox, he shall immediately give notice to the Board of Health; and, if he refuse or neglect to give such notice, he shall forfeit a sum not exceeding fifty dollars.

"'ART. IV. — When any physician shall know that any person whom he is called upon to visit is infected with the small-pox, or any other disease dangerous to the public health, such physician shall immediately give notice to the Board of Health; and every physician who shall neglect or refuse to give such notice, shall forfeit a sum not less than fifty dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars.

"'ART. V. — Any person who shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in any pond, or stream of water, any dead or living animal, or deposit, or cause to be deposited, in any public street or highway, any substance which may be deemed a nuisance, such person shall be dealt with according to law.

"'ART. VI. — The Board of Health would recommend that each individual pay particular attention to cleanliness, personal, and also to the condition of drains, cesspools, out-buildings, and all sources of filth and disease in his vicinity, thereby removing one of the most common causes of disease in a thickly-populated community.

"'ART. VII. — We would recommend vaccination as a preventive to the small-pox, and that all heads of families and guardians of youth see that those under their care be vaccinated; also that the physician of the Board be instructed to vaccinate all those who may apply to him, that in his judgment may require vaccination, and that the expense may be charged to the Town, when in his opinion the applicants are unable to pay for the same. It was also voted that each member of the Board be a health officer, for the purpose of discharging the duties of the Board, and that any official act thus performed shall be considered sanctioned by the Board.

"'*Voted*, To adopt the following form of notice to be served upon owners,

occupants, or persons responsible, in any case of nuisance, viz : Whereas complaint has been made to the Board of Health that ——— is a nuisance, and whereas the Board of Health, after due examination, judge the same to be injurious to the public health, and justly obnoxious to complaint, you are hereby required to prevent or remove the same forthwith."

I suppose these Rules and Regulations, in substance at least, if not in form, have continued in force ever since, or certainly very similar ones.

This report of Feb. 25, 1860, sets forth the importance of health regulations in a populous community; that several prominent nuisances had been abated (specifying the same); that proper precautionary measures had been taken for the future; that one case of small-pox and three cases of varioloid had come under the notice of the Board, the small-pox case proving fatal; that there had been some reluctance in certain quarters to conform to the requirements of the Board; and that the selectmen had made thorough work of vaccinating those who needed it throughout the town.

The report for '61 is signed by the same secretary, and I infer that the same gentlemen constituted the Board, though I have not made myself certain that none were changed. Certain nuisances are alluded to as still persistently cherished by some of the inhabitants: one case of unmodified small-pox had occurred and proved fatal, and five cases of varioloid had been successfully treated. The contagion was not allowed to spread. The Board recommended that the selectmen order general vaccination annually.

In '62 Bainbridge Hayward and Elias Whitney constituted the Board, and reported that they had had little to attend to; no contagious case of disease, but some nuisances to abate. They repeated the recommendation of their predecessors, that the selectmen order general vaccination annually.

In '63, Elias Whitney, Richard Carroll, and Wm. H. Sadler constituted the Board. Their report was brief, — more business than usual; several cases of filth-nuisance; two of small-pox, one of which proved fatal, and one of varioloid, all costing $37.99, charged to the account of State paupers.

Report for '64 not found.

For '65, Elias Whitney, Richard Carroll, and Willard Bragg, constituting the Board, reported nine cases of small-pox, one fatal; "also the usual amount of nuisances, such as drains, dead dogs, etc." Expense of sickness, including vaccinations by Dr. W. M. Parker, physician to the Board, $94.50, — paid for out of the town treasury.

In '66 there were six cases of small-pox, six of varioloid, two deaths from the contagion, and the usual amount of nuisances, — all costing the Town $115.77. Zibeon C. Field, John S. Mead, and James R. Davis constituted the Board.

For '67 the report says: "The duties of the Board of Health during the past year have been arduous. A visitation of that fearful scourge, the *cholera*, was seriously anticipated." Great precautions in the way of prevention were taken. No well-authenticated case of cholera occurred, and only one of small-pox. Careful attention to vaccination was recommended. No expense mentioned. Signed by Dr. Francis Leland, L. B. Felton, Dr. W. M. Parker, Elias Whitney, and William P. Miller, the Board.

In '68 the Board organized, May 1, by "election of Richard Carroll as chairman and Dr. I. H. Stearns as secretary and physician;" John Madden, 2d, was the only other member. The rules adopted were "published for five months in 'The Milford Journal.'" All cases causing complaint settled "without resort to legal measures." The report says, "No infectious or contagious disease has prevailed in town the past year. Indeed, Milford is one of the most healthy locations in Massachusetts."

Report for '69 very brief, and signed only by Dr. W. M. Parker. Who his colleagues were, I have not gone to the records to learn. No cases of small-pox or other contagious disease, but numerous nuisances abated "without resort to legal measures."

In '70 Drs. A. C. Fay, W. M. Parker, and Thos. W. Flatley constituted the Board. Substance of their report: rules and regulations duly published in "The Milford Journal;" no cases of small-pox or other contagious diseases during the past year; other neighboring towns have suffered seriously, showing the importance of our protection by thorough vaccination; many nuisances removed "without resort to legal measures;" more drains and sewers needed; let the laws of cleanliness, as a preventive of disease, be better and better observed.

In '71 Drs. Thos. W. Flatley, Dwight Russell, and W. M. Parker, with G. B. Knight as clerk, constituted the Board. With the exception of some nuisances peaceably abated, the sanitary condition of the town reported in good order, the same as last year.

In '72 report not found in print, though on title-page of town-reports purporting to be among the rest.

In '73 the same omission, though the selectmen's report says the Town had to expend $891.44 on account of the prevalence of small-pox.

In '74 the Board consisted of Drs. Thos. W. Flatley (who died

during the year), Wm. M. Parker, and J. Allen Fay. Their report represents the town to have been unusually healthy during the past year, — no disease requiring the attention of the Board. They had found a responsible party who engaged to remove night-soil gratuitously, if suitably encouraged by the citizens. They earnestly recommend and urge the importance of town sewers, as economical in the end, though costly at the outset.

In '75 nothing found in my copy of pamphlet reports; nor in that for '76, nor in that for '77, nor in that for '78, nor later. It seems that the duties of the Board of Health have for the last several years been assigned to the selectmen. Either the latter have made no specific reports of their doings in this capacity, or I have not been expert enough to distinguish the particulars. I presume them to have discharged their sanitary duties faithfully, but perhaps shall be excused for not looking up and presenting even the more interesting facts and events of their administration. I might have waived this section entirely, but thought it was well to give it a place in its order.[1]

HISTORY AND STATISTICS OF OUR FIRE-DEPARTMENT.

I have it on the authority of Seth P. Carpenter, Esq., that the first movement to get up a fire-engine company in Milford was started about the year 1831. A considerable number of public-spirited citizens, who realized the danger from fire to the public and private buildings in town, especially in the growing village at the Centre, resolved to procure one or two fire-engines, and man them. Of course this must be done by purely voluntary contribution and association. Two of the old-fashioned tub engines, manufactured in Belchertown, at the cost of $125 each, were purchased. The intention was to have two companies, one in the upper village and the other in the lower; but only one company could be organized, which was in the lower village. William Godfrey, who was much interested in having an engine manned in his immediate vicinity, when unsuccessful, stored his engine under one of his sheds then standing near the parish common, where it finally fell to pieces. Mr. Carpenter was, I think, the first, or certainly an early, commander of the pioneer company organized. But their engine was a small, clumsy thing, which was thought to

[1] Since the foregoing was penned, my attention has been called to a sharp controversy in England on the merits of vaccination, so earnestly urged by our Board of Health and kindred ones generally. The opponents of vaccination in that country plead strong facts and reasons against the practice, as propagating many foul and dangerous diseases worse than the small-pox; and they have confident hopes that Parliament will ere long radically modify, if not repeal, its vaccination laws. The controversy has been transplanted to this country, and is taking root here. What will be the result, remains to be seen.

perform a notable exploit when made to throw water over the Brick Meeting-house tower, only some sixty feet high. They soon bought a second-hand Hunneman engine for $350, which did much greater execution. This, however, was not satisfactory long, and a nice new Hunneman was procured at a cost of $800. This could be worked admirably.

In 1837 the subject was brought before the Town, to see what they would do about raising money to aid in the equipment of fire-apparatus. A vote was obtained to aid in the work to an amount not exceeding two hundred dollars. Some time in 1838 Engine Company No. 2 was formed, and the Town paid $50 towards a house for it. The same year the Town commenced choosing officers called fire-wards, which I suppose was in accordance with the general statutes of that period. These officers continued to be annually chosen down to 1854, when a special act was passed by the Legislature, authorizing the establishment of a regularly organized fire-department. In 1843 the Town paid the poll-taxes of its engine-men, and, besides other encouragements, appropriated $838 for a new engine and apparatus. Thenceforth protection against fire became annually an increasing town charge, though for a time moderate. It was some time before firemen got much for their services. Their pay began with remission of their poll-tax, and gradually rose.

Their first really respectable engine-house, built in 1844, cost the town $1,044.56; engine repairs and services the same year cost $53.91. In '45 the Town paid for engine repairs, etc., $324.14, and for firemen's poll-taxes $66.08. In '46 the expense was quite small; likewise in '47 and '48. In '49 it amounted to only $172.46. In '50 it rose to $282.95, and in '51 to $668.78. In '52, with new engine, hook-and-ladder company, house, etc., it went up to $3,300. In '53 it stood, with cost of reservoirs, $490.14. In '54 it amounted to $1,692.90.

Before proceeding farther in this line of annual expenses, I will bring up the retinue of historic facts and events. By referring to the selectmen's record of appointments, I find that their first appointment of engine-men was for No. 1, Aug. 19, 1837; and their number was thirty. Jan. 26, 1838, they appointed twenty-four men for No. 2. As new men were wanted, they were thenceforth appointed by the same authority, — sometimes a few, and sometimes the whole of a company at once. They also discharged firemen, as occasion rendered proper. The names of all firemen are given, but it will hardly be expected that I should transcribe them into this work. In 1854, when the engineers were directed by the selectmen to organize the

fire-department, pursuant to the forementioned act of the Legislature, they promptly assembled, July 1 of that year, and soon after completed their work by choosing the necessary officers, adopting by-laws, etc. Their own rules and regulations, as also those sanctioned by the Town (both sets printed) are as follows: —

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPANIES ATTACHED TO THE MILFORD FIRE-DEPARTMENT.

"ARTICLE I. Each company may propose candidates for its department, specifying their ages, and, if minors, the certificate required by the Fire Ordinances; all appointments shall be approved by the Board of Engineers, and returned to the company. Whenever a candidate is rejected by the Board of Engineers, he will not be allowed to act as a member of the company. No person under eighteen years of age shall be appointed as a member of the Department.

"ART. II. It shall be the duty of the Foremen of the several companies to make, or cause to be made, on the last Monday in April, annually, to the Chief Engineer, a statement of the condition of the engine or other apparatus, with an inventory of all the property intrusted to their care, and belonging to the town, together with a correct list of the names of the members; also, special reports of all officers chosen, and all resignations, discharge of members, and all cases of neglect of duty or disobedience of orders. They shall also see that the engines, houses, and other apparatus are kept neat, clean, and ready for immediate use, and the passage to said house clear of snow and other obstructions, preserve order in their several companies, and require and enforce a strict compliance with the Town Ordinances and regulations of the Board of Engineers. In their absence, the Assistant Foremen shall perform their duties, and other times render them such assistance as they may require.

"ART. III. Any member expecting to be absent from town ten days or more, shall be required to procure a substitute, to be approved by the Foreman of his company, whose name he shall hand to the Clerk of the company; but no member shall be allowed a substitute except in case of sickness or absence from the town, and in no instance for a longer period than one month, except in case of sickness.

"ART. IV. It is required of the members of the Department, as a general rule, not to open the doors or windows of a building on fire, without a supply of water can be procured, and to be careful to avoid unnecessarily damaging furniture or other goods by water. At a fire where water cannot be procured by suction, or a line of engines, the members will endeavor to prevent the fire from spreading by means of buckets or otherwise, until a supply can be had. The members of each company will remain with the engine and apparatus of which they have charge, except when otherwise directed by an Engineer.

"ART. V. In the absence of an Engineer, on the arrival at a fire, as a

general rule, the first engine is to be taken to the nearest reservoir or place where a supply of water can be obtained, immediately placed in readiness for operation; and, in case the fire cannot be reached for want of sufficient quantity of hose, the officers will exert themselves to obtain another engine to receive the water and pass it on towards or to the fire. Engine companies will not call upon each other for hose, but upon the Engineer.

"ART. VI. The Hook-and-Ladder Company, on arriving at a fire, will take their station as near the same as under existing circumstances shall be thought expedient. The commanding officer will immediately on his arrival report himself to the Engineer in command.

"ART. VII. Members of each company are to have the control of the apparatus committed to their care, which is not to be handled, used, or in any way meddled with by the members of other companies, unless by permission of an Engineer; and whenever, at a fire, one company shall have hose or other apparatus belonging to another, they shall in all cases promptly return the same to the company to whom it belongs.

"ART. VIII. On no occasion shall any officer allow his company to run their engine or carriage in returning from a fire or alarm, or drill, and in all cases they shall keep to the right.

"ART. IX. When any repairs shall be necessary upon any engine or carriage, or other apparatus, the Foreman shall give information to the Chief Engineer if practicable; if not, to any Engineer. No bills are to be paid until approved by the Board of Engineers.

"ART. X. Water must not be taken from any reservoirs except in case of fire, or by order of an Engineer.

"ART. XI. Whenever a fire shall occur known to be out of Milford, no engine or apparatus shall be taken to said fire unless by the consent of the Chief Engineer or his Assistants.

"ART. XII. The members of the several companies regularly admitted and appointed shall wear such caps, badges, or insignia, as the Board of Engineers shall from time to time direct to be furnished at the expense of the town; and no other person or persons shall be permitted to wear the same except under such restrictions and regulations as the Board of Engineers may direct.

"ART. XIII. Every member of the Fire Department shall be held responsible for any property of the Department intrusted to his care; and, in case of loss or damage through neglect, its value shall be deducted from his compensation.

"Adopted by the Board of Engineers, Feb. 4, 1861.

"S. C. SHEPARD, *Chief Engineer.*
W. F. BARBER, *Assistant Engineer.*
A. C. WITHINGTON, *Assistant Engineer.*
GEORGE JONES, *Assistant Engineer.*
B. HAYWARD, *Assistant Engineer.*
GEORGE HANCOCK, *Assistant Engineer.*
N. W. HEATH, *Assistant Engineer.*"

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE FIRE-DEPARTMENT, AND CITIZENS, TO BE OBSERVED AT FIRES.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS, AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN OF MILFORD, NOV. 20, 1854, FOR PREVENTING AND EXTINGUISHING FIRES.

"SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Engineers, upon alarm of fires, to immediately repair to or near where the fire may be, and to take proper measures that the several engines and other apparatus be arranged in the most advantageous situation, and duly worked for the effectual extinguishment of the fire; to require and compel assistance from all persons as well as members of the fire-department, in extinguishing the fire, removing furniture, goods, or other merchandise from any building on fire, or in danger thereof; to appoint guards to secure the same, and also in pulling down or demolishing any house or other building, if occasion requires, and further to suppress all turmoil and disorder.

"It shall also be their duty to cause order to be preserved in going to, working at, or returning from fires, and at all other times when companies attached to the fire-department are on duty.

"SECT. 2. The Chief Engineer shall have the command at fires over all other Engineers, all members of the fire-department, and all other persons who may be present at fires, and shall direct all proper measures for the extinguishment of the fires, protection of property, preservation of order, and observance of the fire-laws; provided that no building on fire, or in danger thereof, shall be pulled down, blown up, or otherwise demolished, without the concurrence of two or more of the Engineers, if present.

"SECT. 3. In case of the absence of the Chief Engineer, the Engineer next in rank who shall be present shall execute the duties of the officer with full powers.

"SECT. 4. If any member of either of the several companies belonging to the fire-department shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, disobedience to the officers or to any Engineer, he may for such offence be discharged from the fire-department, and shall be liable to a fine of not less than two nor more than ten dollars.

"SECT. 5. All persons present, not members of either of the said companies, are hereby enjoined to obey the directions of any Engineer given at a fire, and to render their services, if required by any Engineer, under a penalty of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars; and it is enjoined upon the Chief Engineer to prosecute all violations of this section.

"SECT. 6. It shall be the duty of such of the Constables of the town as may be selected by the Engineers for that service, to repair, on the alarm of fire, immediately to the place where the fire may be, and there to use their best skill and power, under the direction of the Chief Engineer, for the preservation of the public peace, the prevention of theft, destruction of property, and the removal of all suspected persons, for which service the Constable shall receive such compensation as shall in each case be ordered by the Engineers.

"SECT. 7. And it is further ordered that no person shall carry any fire-brands, lighted matches, or other ignited materials, openly in the streets or thoroughfares of the town; and no owner or occupant of any dwelling-house, shop, or other buildings, shall maintain, or cause to be erected, any defective chimney, hearth, oven, stove or stovepipe, fire-frame, or other fixtures, or shall have a deposit of ashes, shavings, or other combustible material, which may give just cause of alarm, or be the means of kindling or spreading fire, under penalty of not less than two nor more than twenty dollars.

"SECT. 8. That if any chimney, stove-pipe, or flue, within the town, where any other buildings are so near as to be endangered therefrom, shall take or be set on fire, the occupant of such house to which such chimney, stove-pipe, or flue appertains shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars: *provided* it shall be lawful for any person to set fire to and burn his chimney or stovepipe between sunrise and noon, if the buildings contiguous are wet with rain or covered with snow.

"SECT. 9. That no person shall discharge or set off any squibs, serpents, rockets, fire-crackers, or other fireworks, in any place within the town, without leave from an Engineer, under a penalty of not more than twenty dollars.

"SECT. 10. That no person shall make any bonfire, or fire for burning brush, rubbish, or any other fire in the open air, in the night-time, without leave from an Engineer, under the penalty of not less than two nor more than twenty dollars.

"SECT. 11. And it shall be the duty of the Chief and other Engineers to inquire for and examine into all shops, new buildings erecting, or other places, where defective chimneys, flues, stoves, or stovepipe may be, and where shavings or other combustible material may be collected and deposited, and from time to time, and at all times, to be vigilant in taking care of and the removal of the same, whenever in the opinion of any two of them the same may be dangerous to the security of the town from fire; and the owners or occupants of such defective chimneys, flues, stoves or stovepipe, shavings, or other combustible matter, who shall refuse or neglect to remove the same forthwith after being ordered thereto by any two Engineers in writing, shall forfeit and pay five dollars for each day afterwards that the same shall remain unremoved.

"SECT. 12. All members of the fire-department, while on duty at a fire, shall wear such badges as are provided for them; and any member refusing or neglecting to wear the same until the several companies shall be dismissed at roll-call, shall forfeit all pay for his services for three months previous to such refusal or neglect, unless he can furnish an excuse that shall be satisfactory to a majority of the Engineers."

The Department began to make annual reports to the Town in the spring of 1856, which have generally, if not always, been printed, along with the other official reports. The Board of Engineers has consisted, ordinarily, of from nine to six members, according to the convenience of circumstances.

All that now seems necessary for me is to tabulate the more important facts, events, and statistics deducible from these printed annual reports, then close with the names of engineers successively serving, and their principal officers, — mingling only a few general remarks. Let my first column designate the year; the second, the number of firemen in service, including the engineers; the third, the number of engines; the fourth, the number of carriages for various apparatus; the fifth, the number of feet of leading hose; the sixth, the number of engine-houses; the seventh, the number of reservoirs; the eighth, the number of alarms answered; the ninth, the number of actual fires in buildings; the tenth, total cost of the year to the Town; and the eleventh, brief notes. The years begin and end in February.

Year.	Men.	Engines.	Carriages.	Feet of hose.	Houses.	Reservoirs.	Alarms.	Actual fires.	Total cost.	Notes.
1856	125	2	2	1,400	2	8	*	*	$1,549 41	
1857	125	2	2	1,400	2	10	14	8	3,222 03	$16,775, property.
1858	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	This year's report not found.
1859	172	5	2+	1,775	3	11	20	12	2,147 91	Hose, hook-and-ladder carriages.
1860	160	5	2+	2,280	3	12	24	12	1,742 33	$1,963, property.
1861	169	5	2	2,280	3	12	32	11	2,462 49	
1862	163	5	2	2,275	3	15	25	13	1,233 20	900, property.
1863	164	5	2	2,275	3	15	11	8	563 62	900, property.
1864	171	5	2	2,275	3	15	13	8	648 75	1,110, property.
1865	174	5	2	2,275	3	15	32	11	674 98	1,015, property.
1866	171	5	2	2,275	3	15	26	10	730 48	No further returns of property.
1867	181	5	2	3,750	3	15	32	15	6,172 07	
1868	196	5	2	3,750	3	15	32	14	1,138 52	
1869	217	4	2	5,150	4	15	27	9	13,159 62	New steamer and equipments.
1870	216	4	2	3,000	4	16	21	9	2,913 23	
1871	193	4	2	3,000	4	16	36	13	3,716 10	
1872	193	4	2	4,050	4	17	31	9	7,427 82	
1873	194	4	2	4,850	4	17	27	13	5,321 23	
1874	168	6	2	4,650	5	17	14	6	6,346 93	Span of horses for regular service.
1875	179	5	2	4,350	5	17	26	11	8,030 13	
1876	182	5	2	5,350	5	17	19	9	6,057 02	Fire-extinguisher, Hopedale.
1877	165	5	2	5,350	5	17	16	5	4,593 35	Another steamer.
1878	167	5	2	5,300	5	17	8	6	5,432 66	
1879	167	5	2	5,950	5	17	30	18	6,065 96	
1880	170	5	2	6,650	5	18	19	7	5,165 97	Every thing in good order.

* Not given.

There are some interesting details which I found it impossible to notice in the above table; but perhaps it is sufficiently inclusive. The number of carriages specified applies only to those of the "Wide-Awake Hose Co." and "Excelsior Hook-and-Ladder Co.,"

which have continued as regular organizations since 1854. The other engine-companies have always had carriages attached to them. Actual fires include only fires in buildings, a few of which were out of town. There have been fires in woods, piles of lumber, etc., also more or less false alarms every year. The early reports gave the amount of property destroyed not covered by insurance. It would have been well to continue this item in subsequent reports, but for some reason it was dropped. The Board of Engineers has been annually organized from 1854 downward, and well officered. From all that I have ever known or heard, our Fire-Department has always been deservedly respected for its efficiency, and acquitted itself to the general satisfaction. This is plainly indicated by the appropriations made annually for its maintenance. Some may have deemed it too expensive; but most of our citizens know that their firemen have very arduous and dangerous duties to perform, for which the money they get, and the pecuniary outlays made to furnish them conveniences, are but a moderate equivalent. They therefore accord to them an honorable appreciation. The names of our engineers, and their years of service, as nearly as I could ascertain, are designated in the following list: —

Aaron Claflin, 1854, through, perhaps, '55.
Aaron C. Mayhew, 1854, through, perhaps, '55.
Nelson Parkhurst, 1854, through, perhaps, '55.
Artemas B. Vant, 1854, '55, '56, '57, '58, '59, '60.
Albert C. Withington, 1855, '56, '57, '58, '59, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67, '68, '69, '71, '72, '74.
Elbridge Mann, 1854 to '56.
Charles T. Eames, 1854 to '57.
James H. Barker, 1854 to '56.
John P. Daniels, 1854 to '56.
George W. Lebonveau, 1855, '56.
Horace B. Hero, 1854 to '56.
Peter Corbett, 1854 to '57.
John G. Gilbert, 1854, '55.
Willard F. Barber, 1855, '56, '57, '58, '59, '60, '61.
Lloyd H. Cook, 1855, '56.
George Jones, 1856, '57, '58, '59, '60, '61, '62.
Elliot Alden, 1857, '58.
J. C. Hubbard, 1857, '58.
George Hancock, 1859 to '62.
Bainbridge Hayward, 1859 to '65.
Nathan W. Heath, 1861, '62.
L. B. Felton, 1862 to '69.

J. H. Mason, 1864, '65.
David M. Brown, 1864.
Albert M. Sumner, 1864 to '73.
Seth C. Shepard, 1856 to '61.
Elbridge A. Vant, 1864 to '68.
W. H. Ring, 1865, '66, '67.
Asaph Withington, 1866, '67, '68, '70, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80, '81.
D. B. Washburn, 1866, '67, '68.
Alfred A. Burrell, 1868.
J. M. Woods, 1869, '70, '71, '72, '73, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80.
Zibeon C. Field, 1869.
Zimri Thurber, 1869, '70, '71, '72, '73.
J. C. Bradford, 1869.
William C. Gillman, 1870, '71, '75, '76, '77, '78.
Moses Day, 1870, '71, '72, '73, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80.
J. K. Lilley, 1870.
Davis Wilbur, 1871, '72, '73, '74, '75.
Henry C. Skinner, 1873, '79, '80, '81.
Andrew J. Ames, 1874.
A. S. Tuttle, 1874.
Andrew Bagley, 1874, '75, '76, '77, '78.
Gordon N. Hayward, 1874.
Joseph B. Bancroft, 1874, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80, '81.
M. A. Vant, 1875, '76.
M. W. Edwards, 1877, '78, '79, '80, '81.
L. Wakefield, 1879, '80.
E. B. Flood, 1880, '81.
James Powers, 1880, '81.
O. D. Holmes, 1880, '81.

The Selectmen annually appoint the Engineers, who, since 1854, have usually met early in May, to organize their Board by the choice of officers. Their officers have almost uniformly been a Clerk and Treasurer, a Chief Engineer, and one, two, or more Assistant Engineers. I will give the names and terms of service of the Clerk, who acts also as Treasurer, and of the Chief Engineers, in regular succession down. Most of the assistants rose to be chiefs.

CLERKS AND TREASURERS.

Nelson Parkhurst, from 1854 to Jan. 1, 1855.
James H. Barker, to May, 1855.
Albert C. Withington, from May, 1855, to Aug. 7, 1865; again from May 1, 1868, to May 1, 1872.
Elbridge A. Vant, from Aug. 7, 1865, to May 1, 1868.
Julius M. Woods, from May 1, 1872, to May 1, 1878.
Henry C. Skinner, from May 1, 1878, to the present time.

CHIEF ENGINEERS.

Aaron Claflin, from July 3, 1854, to Oct. 23, 1854.
Artemas B. Vant, from Oct. 23, 1854, to May 1, 1860.
Seth C. Shepard, to May 1, 1861.
Bainbridge Hayward, from May 1, 1861, to May 1, 1865.
James M. Mason, from May 1, 1865, to Aug. 7, 1865. He removed from town.
Albert C. Withington, from Aug. 7, 1865, to May 4, 1868.
Julius M. Woods, from May 4, 1868, to May 1, 1871, etc.
Zimri Thurber, to 1873.
Davis Wilber, from 1873 to 1874.
William C. Gillman, 1874 to 1878.
Julius M. Woods, 1878 to 1881. He has lately removed from town. Have not seen his successor's name.

SOME OF OUR PRINCIPAL FIRES.

1799. March 31. — During the night, the cabinetmaker's shop and dwelling-house of Phinehas Eames were burnt, and three persons perished in the flames: viz., Jotham Hayward, Charles Turner, and Elijah, son of Phinehas Eames.

1814. Oct. 26. — The clothier's establishment of Nathan Parkhurst, just below Charles-river bridge, Main St., took fire in the daytime, and the flames spread over it so suddenly that two female operatives were unable to escape, both losing their lives: viz., Lucinda, wife of Henry Allen, and his sister, Dolly Allen.

1328. August. — The cotton and woollen factory of Stephen R. and Parmenas P. Parkhurst, on the "Island," so called.

1838. Feb. 28. — John Claflin's hotel and store, on the site of the present "Mansion House."

1842. Nov. 19. — Lyman P. Lowe's factory at Bungay, — still desolate.

1853. Jan. 3, midnight. — John Mason's boot-shop, in which were consumed the Town Treasurer's principal books, etc., from 1780 to 1853.

1854. April. — Seth P. Carpenter's steam mill, just before our Fire Department was organized.

1856. Oct. 1. — A dwelling-house of Otis Parkhurst, in which his feeble daughter Adelaide perished.

1857. Jan. 16. — Union Block, Tremont Block, two large dwelling-houses, a store, the building in which the post-office was then kept, and much other property, were destroyed, in spite of extraordinary exertions by the firemen.

1857. March 29. — Steam mill of Cephas Lawrence, near depot.

1860. April 28. — Steam saw-mill of John P. Lawrence, on the Plains.

1860. Oct. 23. — Methodist meeting-house in North Purchase, by reckless rowdies.

1866. Nov. 1. — Pierce Brothers' nail and heel-plate factory, the freight depot of Boston and Worcester Railroad, etc.

1868. April 2. — Gen. Orison Underwood's boot-shop.

1871. Jan. 23. — Great fire on Main St., which destroyed valuable buildings, owned by M. A. Blunt, N. W. Heath, and others, and also the lives of three females: Mrs Sarah J. (Scott) Newton, a Mrs. Thurber, and a servant-girl, whose name I was never told, or have forgotten. (These three, with those before-mentioned, make nine lives lost by fire in our town during its corporate existence.)

1873. July 6. — Benjamin H. Spaulding's straw-factory, store-house, and barn, as also A. B. Vant's boot-shop.

1873. Nov. 18. — Gen. Orison Underwood's boot-manufactory, on Pearl Street.

1878. July 9. — Coal-yard buildings of Barney & Sons, near depots.

1878. Oct. 25. — The Comstock Factory, so called, with adjacent buildings and property, valued at over forty thousand dollars, belonging to Green Brothers, and others, all in the neighborhood of the depots. This is our last heavy fire, down to the present writing; and it threatened destruction to very valuable properties, which were saved by the energy and skill of our firemen.

1881. May 18 — Just after midnight, Capt. Elbridge Mann's large boot-manufactory, 229 Main Street, with valuable machinery, goods, and stock. Also, the old "9 o'clock schoolhouse" tenement, near by.

I have passed over many fires by which dwelling-houses, barns, shops, etc., were consumed. Those of this nature which have occurred since 1854 may be found specified on the records of the Fire Department.

CHAPTER XII.

CEMETERIES, ROADS, STREETS, COMMONS, ETC.

Burial of the Dead, and Cemeteries. — Earliest Burials at the Town-seat of Mendon. — The Old Precinct Burying-place is historically treated of in Chap. V. — No Town Action concerning Burials till 1792. — The South Milford Graveyard established by the Town, 1799. — About the Deed first taken, etc. — A Hearse and Hearse-house provided, 1805 — Addition to Burying-ground bought, 1809, and Tombs built. — Particulars of Interest relating to the Old Cemetery, the New One, Vernon Grove, South Milford, North Purchase. — Full History of all the Town Cemeteries. — The Pine-Grove, Catholic, and Hopedale Cemeteries noticed. — Remarks on the Treatment, Present State, and Conjectural Future of our Old Burying-ground.

Roads, Ways, Streets, Commons, etc. — History of our Oldest Roads and Principal Thoroughfares, from the First Settlement of our Territory, Mendon Layings-out, etc., down to the Present Time, in which the Old "Country Road," "Eight-rod Road," "Sherborn Road," etc., are fully treated of. — All our Streets named by the Town, 1863. — They are taken up in Alphabetical Order. — Their History briefly given, with Descriptions of their Position, Length, Width, and Contents, including Public Grounds and our Railroads. — Final Summary of Extent in Miles and Number of Acres.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD, AND CEMETERIES.

THE earliest settlers on our territory naturally buried most of their dead in the oldest burying-ground, at Mendon town-seat. A few may have been carried to their native places in other towns, more or less distant. A still smaller number perhaps were consigned to resting-places on their own farms or in family enclosures. For the most part, burial in Mendon continued to be the general practice until the Second or Easterly Precinct was incorporated, Dec. 23, 1741. The number of sculptured stones in the old Mendon graveyard, that tell the names and ages of our forefathers buried there, is small indeed. In those days, only here and there a noted personage, in our rural towns, attained to the honor of such sculptured memorials. Some little time after the Precinct was set off, burials commenced in our oldest cemetery, — to use the modern term for a burying-ground. The spot seems to have been selected in the south-easterly part of what now constitutes this ancient enclosure, and covered in Precinct days about three-fourths of an acre. The land belonged, in early Precinct times, to Amos Binney, or to him and Thomas Bailey jointly; being

then a part of what became the Twitchell farm. There was some sort of tacit understanding between the Precinct and the then owner or owners of this estate, that the dead might be buried there; but the Precinct was, for some reason, unable to obtain a deed of the ground. In 1748 Rev. Amariah Frost, who had received a legal power-of-attorney from Binney and Bailey to sell their farm, sold the same to Ephraim Twitchell, jun., "*excepting out of said lands three-quarters of an acre for a Burying-place, as shall be agreed upon most commodious therefor upon Nathaniel Morse line.*" This is all the title that has been found on record which the Precinct ever had to this spot of ground; but their possession and use of it seems never to have been disputed. In 1780 it passed under the control of the Town. If the reader will turn back to Chap. V., he will find a full history of this old cemetery, from its inception till its control descended from the Precinct to the Town: I therefore now take up its thread under town administration.

If I have followed the municipal records as accurately as I aimed to do, the Town took no public action concerning the burial of the dead till 1792. They then ordered a "grave-cloth" to be bought, and chose Ezekiel Jones sexton. Who officiated in this capacity before, or how burials were managed, is not told; doubtless according to custom and the common consent. It was several years before sextons came to be annually chosen, or otherwise regularly appointed by the selectmen.

April 2, 1798, the Town "Voted to buy the land of Mr. Ephraim Twitchell at the upper end of the Grave yard, and also a piece on the North side of the Grave Yard, as was Agreed on by the Committee for that purpose; which was to give Mr. Twitchell Twenty five shillings." (Records, vol. ii., p. 8.) I suppose this agreement went into effect for the enlargement of the graveyard, but I have found no deed from Twitchell to the Town conveying the land indicated. Nov. 18, 1799, the Town "Voted to accept of the grave yard, laid out in the 3d District by the school house, as a Town's grave yard, to take care and fence the same, when there shall be a deed given to the town of the same." (Records, vol. ii., p. 37.) This original portion of the South Milford Cemetery was estimated to contain sixty-six rods of ground. It appears to have been a donation from Elijah Albee to the Town, the nominal consideration being only two dollars. The conveyance was made to Ichabod Thayer, Nathl. Parkhurst, James Perry, George Kelley, and Jno. Corbett, the then selectmen, and their successors in office, "for the use and benefit of said Town for a Grave yard, or Burying ground, forever." It bears date Jan. 20,

1801, and was acknowledged before Saml. Jones, Esq., April 19, 1813. It has never yet been recorded in Worcester. I found it in the town-clerk's office, among certain old files of papers, long stowed away. As it is not on record, I am the more particular to designate it, and will copy its description of the premises : —

"Beginning at a Stake and stones at the Southwest Corner, thence Running eastwardly seven Rods, bounding Southerly on Daniel Wedge's land, thence Running Northerly Ten Rods to a Stake and stones, thence Running westerly eight Rods to the Road, the Two last lines bounding on the grantor's land, thence Running Eight Rods and a half on the Road to the first-mentioned bounds; Containing by estimation sixty six Rods, be the same more or less : Reserving four Rods where the school house now stands for the use of the District, which was heretofore deeded away, reference being had thereto."

Thus the Town obtained the original portion of its second cemetery. The addition will be noticed in its place. Dea. Gideon Albee had previously erected a tomb thereon in company with one of his neighbors, and a few burials had been made.

Sept. 2, 1805, the Town "Chose Col. Ichabod Thayer, Lt. Ephraim Chapin, and Lt. David Stearns, a Committee to purchase a Carriage for Carrying the Corps of the dead to the grave yard, and to build a house suitable to secure the same; said Carriage to be a 4 Wheeled one; raised 150 dollars for the above said purpose; the building to cover the Carriage to be set in the northeast corner of the Grave yard." This was the town's first hearse and hearse-house. Our older citizens remember the establishment well. (Records, vol. ii., p. 146.) March 6, 1809, "Voted to accept the report of the Committee chosen to purchase burying ground; which Report is to give Elijah Thayer after the rate of 100 dollars per acre for about half an acre of Land." (Ib., vol. ii., p. 185.) Thayer had come into possession of the land formerly owned by Nathl. Morse, and later by Eleazer Wight; and of this he conveyed a narrow strip running the whole length of the old graveyard on its southerly side, containing eighty-one rods. His deed bears date April 7, 1809, and is on record, B. 183, p. 485; consideration, $50.62½. April 3, 1809, "Voted that Col. Ichabod Thayer, Col. Saml. Jones, Col. Benjamin Godfrey, Majr. Pearley Hunt, Capt. Nathaniel Parkhurst, Lt. David Stearns, Dea^{n} Seth Nelson, and Capt. Levi Chapin, should have the Privilege to Build Tombs at the East End of the Grave Yard." The same privilege granted, the May ensuing, to Oliver Daniell and Nathan Parkhurst. (Records, vol. ii., pp. 187, 188.) This sombre array of nearly a dozen tombs, latterly

demolished, at the south end of what is now School Street, presented a front not easily forgotten by our adult inhabitants. I find nothing more on this general subject except the annual choice of two sextons, which commenced in 1806, till May meeting, 1820. Then a committee of three was chosen "to repair the Grave yards." In 1835 the hearse-house was removed to another position. The same year the selectmen were ordered to see the graveyards cleaned up, the gravestones righted, and necessary repairs made. In 1837 the proposition of Jared Rawson to set out seventy-five shade-trees around the old graveyard, at forty cents apiece, was accepted by the town. Meantime the South Milford cemetery had been enlarged by the addition of half an acre at the north end, purchased of Joseph Albee for $10. Deed dated Sept. 10, 1836, and recorded with Worcester Deeds, B. 319, p. 256.

About this time a project for a new cemetery began to be agitated. It was repeatedly brought before the Town for consideration, and committees appointed to investigate the subject. At length, Nov. 13, 1837, "Voted, that the Town purchase the whole of the land belonging to Samuel Oliver, as stated in a report of a committee chosen on the sixth day of March last, 'to procure a suitable piece of ground for a graveyard;' Provided he will convey to said Town all the privileges thereto belonging that were conveyed to him." It seems that Samuel Oliver, for three hundred and fifty dollars, conveyed the land desired to the Town, Nov. 13, 1837, and the same is on record with Worcester Deeds, B. 329, p. 507. The amount of land in this purchase appears from the deed to have been twelve acres and thirty-eight rods. April 2, 1838, "Voted, to choose a committee to consist of five, to prepare the piece of land recently purchased by the Town for a graveyard, for that purpose." "Chose Clark Ellis, Rufus Thayer, Arial Bragg, Samuel L. Scammell, and Isaac Brigham" (vol. iii., p. 240). The report of committee just named was accepted Nov. 19, 1838, and another committee of five chosen, consisting of the Selectmen, to dispose of the burial-lots, etc. April 1, 1839, "Voted, that the Selectmen act as a committee in selling all or any part of the land belonging to the Town, adjoining the new burying-ground, not included within said burying-ground." Perhaps I ought to have stated that the tract of land bought of Sam'l. Oliver lay southerly of Central St., and easterly of Bow St., including what is now owned by the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Co.; also what is occupied by the Cochran & Thayer boot manufactory. Numerous burial-lots were soon sold in this new burying-ground, and the dead multiplied there. Proper access to it was

opened by the laying-out of necessary ways, and other conveniences. In 1846 the Town ordered a receiving-tomb to be built thereon, adjacent to Bow St.; and various measures were consummated regulating the avenues and arrangement of lots. But there was so much dissatisfaction in relation to this cemetery, that, in the autumn of 1847, a scheme was started to change the location, procure a new tract for burial purposes, and remove the remains already deposited to some other resting-place.

A long series of inquiries, discussions, and transitional steps, mostly in the form of town action, finally resulted in purchasing about twenty-one acres of Abel Albee, and establishing "Vernon-grove Cemetery." But, before this was accomplished, a cemetery was provided for and opened in the North Purchase. This appears from the following vote, passed April 30, 1849: "Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to draw sufficient money from the Town's Treasury to pay for a piece of land from Ellis Sumner, for a burying-ground, as recommended by a committee of said Town, on the twenty-ninth day of January last, and for fencing and making a road to the same." "Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to take a deed of the land for the North Purchase burying-ground, so called" (vol. iv., p. 183). This cemetery is situated in what may be called the south central part of North Purchase, a short distance east of Purchase St., and contains about two acres. It was bought of Ellis Sumner for two hundred dollars, and conveyed to the Town by a deed known to have been executed, but never recorded, and now lost.

The tract of land constituting Vernon-grove Cemetery, bought of Abel Albee, is situated about a mile south-eastwardly from the Town Common, a short distance east of Depot St., from which it has an ample right of way included in Albee's conveyance. That conveyance covers twenty-one acres and twenty-three square rods. It bears date May 2, 1859, and is recorded in B. 624, p. 355. The consideration was $1,680.23. It was not without considerable difficulty that the Town authorities got this cemetery laid out in proper condition for the burial of the dead, and that they made satisfactory arrangements for the removal of those who had been buried in the previously selected locality, so as to clear the ground there for other uses. But, in one way or another, the object was accomplished, and the receiving-tomb removed to the new cemetery. In due time, by-laws, rules, and regulations were adopted for its orderly management, under the general direction of trustees annually chosen for that purpose. Trustee reports began to be annually made to the Town in 1863, and printed along with its other official reports. It is hardly necessary for

me to go into the details of these reports, or to tabulate their statistics. They give, from year to year, the number of burial-lots sold, the names of purchasers, and the account current of receipts and disbursements, so as to show its financial standing. The cemetery is handsomely laid out. Numerous lots have been taken up, ornamented, and occupied. Many removals of the olden dead have been made from the ancient burying-ground to this new abode, and fresh burials are continually occurring. Its headstones and more stately monuments, including that of our fallen soldiers, exhibit to the beholder a very respectable array of mortuary taste and elegance, in accordance with the modern popular style. In 1877–78 an unhappy controversy arose among our citizens respecting the appropriation of funds to this cemetery, — one party claiming, under the by-laws enacted by the Town for its management, several thousand dollars as pledged to its improvement, against which the other party protested. The case went before the judiciary, and was finally decided in favor of the protesting party. This case appears among the judicial reports in Chap. XIV.

Besides our four town cemeteries hereinbefore described, we have several of a more private nature. Pre-eminent among these, and over all others, is the "Pine-grove Cemetery." This is owned and sustained by a strong corporation of influential citizens belonging to this and some of the neighboring towns. The proprietors were incorporated in 1841, and hold their annual meeting in May, when they choose a board of directors, treasurer, secretary, etc. Their cemetery is located on the west side of Cedar St., about two miles north-east of the Town Common, and covers a romantic tract of some twenty-eight acres, obtained in two several purchases. The first purchase of seventeen acres was soon enclosed, beautifully laid out, and artistically fitted for use. It abounds with admirable monuments, and exhibits a rich profusion of the various ornamentations wherewith the present generation delight to honor their dead. It has a house and garden-grounds for its superintendent, and is constantly cared for with tasteful assiduity. William P. Miller has long been its superintendent, and is deservedly esteemed for the acceptable manner in which he has discharged his official duties. The second purchase of eleven acres, lying west of the first, remains outside of the enclosure, in an unimproved state.

The Catholics of St. Mary's Church have a large and numerously peopled cemetery, located also on Cedar St., on the easterly side, a short distance southerly of Pine Grove. It now contains about eight acres. Its first four acres were purchased by Rev. Geo. A. Hamilton,

the first regular pastor, and opened for burials, probably, in 1850. Rev. Father Cuddihy has enlarged it under his pastorate to double its original size. It is respectably laid out and ornamented. Its head-stones and obelisks display the usual Catholic emblems, and proclaim to the passing observer what a host of these comparatively new-comers have already gone to their long home. Conspicuous therein is a monument erected by Father Cuddihy to the memory of his immediate pastoral predecessor, Rev. Edward Farrelly, who died here of consumption, Aug. 13, 1857.

Hopedale, too, has its own humble cemetery, a little west of the village, just over the river, where the remains of a considerable number of its loved ones rest in peace. It was laid out in 1847, covers over two acres of ground, has a decent receiving-tomb, is in charge of the parish trustees, has a superintendent of burials, and presents a few unpretentious monuments, but can boast of little sepulchral display. All the cemeteries in town, public and proprietary, have good receiving-tombs and other desirable conveniences; and the most ordinary of them are more or less advanced in the line of modern improvement. Town hearses and their accompaniments have been latterly superseded by those of professional undertakers, who perform burial operations in a more æsthetic style. Indeed, funeral expenses have grown to dimensions which many sensible people seriously deprecate, though our vicinage has not yet reached the extravagance of metropolitan populations.

Our oldest burying-place has of late years received rather rough usage, especially its easterly portion. First, the whole front range of tombs were abandoned by their proprietors, their materials carried off by purchasers, and an unsightly opening made into the yard. Then, large numbers of remains were removed by family relatives and others to Vernon-grove Cemetery or elsewhere, and the ground left in a broken condition. Afterwards, with or without town permission, large quantities of earth were carted away for various purposes, in some cases paying too little respect to the bones and ashes of the dead. Afterwards a question was raised whether a *part* of the ground, at least, did not belong to the Congregational parish, by right of inheritance from the ancient precinct. The Town, however, claimed the whole, and strenuously contested all parish pretensions. The court finally decided the case in favor of the Town. (See Chap. XIV.) Should all the remains of the dead be removed, and the land become salable real estate, a valuable property will fall to the Town. And here I will close this section.

ROADS, WAYS, STREETS, COMMONS, ETC.

The first public road travelled by our earliest settlers constituted the southern boundary-line of what became the Easterly Precinct of Mendon, and ultimately Milford. It was long designated in records, documents, and deeds as "the Country Road." It led from Mendon to Medfield, and is said to have followed, partly at least, the ancient Indian path mentioned in the original Indian deed of the eight miles square. Some part, if not the whole of it in Mendon territory, was laid out ten rods wide by the old plantation authorities. It started from the Rehoboth road, then so called, about a mile south of Mendon town, and came out by the now Willis Gould place, to the Lewis B. Gaskill place, a little west of Mill River; thence it ran eastward into Bellingham, Medway, etc. I mention this road on account of its use by our forefathers, and because, also, when Milford was incorporated she was bound to bear half the expense of keeping its bed and bridges in repair forever (in connection with so much of the old Mendon road across the Neck to the then Sheffield's Mill at the now Lewis B. Gaskill place, as formed our boundary-line). It is a curious item in our history, that Milford escaped from its obligation to help keep this boundary-road in repair by the interposition of the "9th Massachusetts Turnpike Corporation," so entitled. That corporation got its grant Feb. 23, 1800, on condition that the turnpike should be finished in three years. This turnpike followed the bed of the boundary-road from Neck Hill to Bellingham, with the exception of about seventy rods, more or less, at the south-west corner of our territory, which happened to be laid a little easterly of the old road-bed, and within our limits. In 1831 the turnpike corporation got sick of its property, and petitioned the Worcester County Commissioners to lay out all their turnpike within the county as a public highway. Mendon opposed the petition in vain. The pike was laid out as a highway; and there was no legal mode of renewing Milford's former obligation to pay half the expenses of keeping that part in repair which constituted its boundary, excepting the aforesaid seventy-rod piece, which was of course left wholly on our hands. Thus Milford has been relieved of all burden in respect to this boundary-road (with the exception of the said seventy rods or thereabouts) for the last seventy-nine years: and as to the seventy-rod piece, the commissioners inadvertently omitted to give Milford the customary order; and it is only within a year or two that the Town has paid any attention to it in the way of repairs. There is but little common travel over it, and occasional wood-carters are its principal users. Never-

theless, I suppose it will have to remain open, and the Town must give it the necessary consideration.

Next in order is the famous "Eight-rod Road." I give this the next place because it was made a boundary-road at the incorporation of Milford, and the new town was bound to bear one-half the expense of repairing and maintaining it. By special mutual agreement, June 29, 1780, the respective portions which the two towns should keep in order were specifically assigned. But the road was never of much use to the public. There were at no time on it more than two or three cheap dwellings, and some of these were inhabited only a few years after our incorporation. The result was, Mendon at length discontinued it as a town-road, and so of course Milford escaped all further burden on account of it. Why it was ever laid out, neither record nor tradition seems to afford much information. The Mendon record simply says, "A Highway Laid out by the Committee to lay out the Sixth Division of Land, of Eight Rods Wide upon the Neck, lengthways of said Neck. Laid out April 4th, 1718." The tract of land covering the hill from "North Hill" towards Upton line, and extending southwardly almost to the "Old Country Road" near the Barak Penniman place, was called from very early times "*the Neck*." How it got this name, is not told; probably from some fancy of the first surveyors. It appears to have been laid out by a committee of the old proprietors, and to have been adopted by the Town. Its southern terminus was "the Highway leading across said Neck from Muddy Brook to Wheelock's Mill," the present Lewis Gaskill place. So it forms our extreme south-west corner. Its northern terminus is thus defined: "Northward up to the North Hill, on the high land of the Neck, and so across the North Hill, home to Marlborough Road." Nearly its whole length was then and is now woodland or pasture. It is not unlikely that the proprietor's committee who laid it out believed it would attract settlers, and enhance the value of common lands near it. I can imagine no other motive. Our incorporation act speaks of it as then "reduced to Four Rods" wide. If so, Mendon just then reduced it; as the preliminary agreement was to run the line in the "middle of the Eight-rod Road." It may be assumed, therefore, that from and after Milford was set off, Mendon regarded the road as only a four-rod one: however, the old designation, "Eight-rod Road" may have still continued.

Next in importance is the "Sherborn Road," now our Main St., extending from Mendon line to that of Holliston. Sherborn originally included Holliston. It was the old neighbor of Mendon in that direction, and in some respects a rival. A road thither was an

early necessity, but it was some time in getting legalized. The first layings-out of land all along its general route provided for it by specific reservations, or allowances, of a strip three or four rods in width. For several years it must have been a rough and rather crooked cart-path, — say from 1703 or 1705 to 1720. Although it was recognized in various documents as "Sherborn Road," and although Mendon laid out several roads within our limits previous to any recorded action on this, it must be regarded as in fact our oldest thoroughfare. It was not till 1739, according to Mendon records, that her selectmen formally laid out this road. This now seems very strange, and even then its track was vaguely defined. Here follows the record: —

A ROAD FROM MENDON TO HOLLISTON BY POST'S.

"Mendon, September 24th, 1739. The Selectmen then met, and stated a Highway Leading from Mendon to Holliston. Beginning at the Ten Rod way that leads through Mendon, between Capt. Seth Chapin's and Capt. William Rawson's land [known in our time as the Doggett place and Silas Dudley's], down to John Post's; thence, where the path was formerly drawn, to John Thwing's, said road being four rods wide: thence to the Bridge, bounded southerly with heaps of stones: thence, as the path is now, to the northeast corner of Seth Chapin's wall [presumed to be Seth Jr.'s], said road being two rods wide; thence, as the path is now drawn, to a heap of stones rising the Hill, in Thomas Gage's fence; thence to a heap of stones by a Stump in said Gage's enclosure; thence to a heap of stones, leading into said way; thence, as the path is now drawn, to Holliston Line; said road being three rods wide. Laid out by William Torrey, John French, Jacob Aldrich, Selectmen."

This makes rather an obscure thing of the "Sherborn Road," considering that it was only about two years before the incorporation of "the Easterly Precinct." One would be tempted to think that the selectmen of Mendon must have recognized this road at some earlier period, whereof no record was made, or, if made, had been lost. Nevertheless, we must accept what was done as the existing record stands. The general line of the road remained quite unchanged till after the year 1800, though occasional slight straightenings had been made. In 1800 the era of turnpikes and county roads seems to have been inaugurated in Massachusetts, as in some other portions of the country. It was a favorite scheme with enterprising citizens on the line from Boston through Dedham, Medfield, Mendon, Uxbridge, etc., out into Connecticut, to open a good turnpike, or connection of turnpikes, through to Hartford. That scheme soon went into practical effect. Meantime, the citizens in the next tier of towns north, from Brighton, through Holliston and Milford, to Mendon, were shrewd

and ambitious enough to increase the travel over that route. Turnpikes were not to their taste, and they resorted to county action. The then county courts of Middlesex and Worcester, having authority in road matters, willingly lent their sanction to the project of widening, straightening, and improving this more northerly route of roads. Our "Sherborn Road" was of course included: then it became a county road. In 1802 it was laid out anew. Post Lane was abandoned, from its starting-point in Mendon down to the residence of Capt. Gershom Nelson, which stood where our generation have been accustomed to recognize its successor as the "Amos Cook house." From that point to Mendon the road was laid out as at present running. Eastward from Hopedale Corner the road was not so much changed; yet it was wisely straightened in many places, being, in almost every instance of change, laid more to the north-westward. From the Sylvanus Adams place to the Obed Daniels place, it originally wound crookedly along the higher ground, often more than its present width; so from the Dexter Walker place to the Major Chapin place it was greatly straightened, now running at some points several rods westerly of its former bed. Through the centre and most of the way to the old Gibbs cellar-hole (famous for its Balm of Gilead trees), the changes were comparatively slight; thence, north-easterly for half a mile, it was much varied, straightened, and improved. Beyond this point to Holliston line judicious alterations were made; thence eastward, through its whole course, corresponding improvements succeeded. The expense of these improvements, so far as Milford was concerned, was defrayed partly by voluntary subscription, but mainly by taxation, and does not appear to have been seriously burdensome. They were mostly or quite completed before the close of 1803, nearly at the same time with the turnpike from Medway to Mendon. The loudest complainant of grievance in the whole affair is said to have been Col. Samuel Nelson. He protested vehemently against having his farm sliced up as it was by switching the road off from "Post Lane." But the Town paid pretty fair damages, and, as soon as the road was passable, discontinued "Post Lane," giving that part of its bed to Samuel and his father which ran through their premises; and they seem to have done virtually the same by all the other citizens whose lands adjoined the discontinued pieces of the old road. Thus good humor was promoted all along the line. This Main St., as we now call it, has received various widenings, straightenings, and rejuvenations from time to time since 1803, but none of fundamental importance enough to deserve special notice.

In 1718 the selectmen of Mendon laid out a road from a point

below the Lowell Fales place, near land then belonging to Jacob Aldrich, on "Mill Plain," so called, "by Benjamin Albee's house," which stood on the south side of the way opposite to the Jesse Howard place, thence running north-eastwardly by the Corbett place, now occupied by Charles Knights, over into "Second Plain," then so called, across the river at "White's Bridge," to Bellingham line. This now bears the name Mellen St. It was probably designed originally to facilitate communication between the neighborhood westward and south-westward of the Albee "Corn-Mill," now Lewis Gaskill's place, and the "Great Meadow," lying north-eastwardly of Bear Hill, on the frontier of Sherborn; for at that time meadow-land was highly valuable, and the "Great Meadow" shared by numerous proprietors. There was a rude way to it leading from the Dr. John Corbett place, later Dr. Scammell's, east of Bear Hill, out to the "Sherborn Road." This Mellen St. road entered the Dr. Corbett way a short distance beyond White's Bridge, and saved much travel.

In 1721 a highway three rods wide was laid from the western terminus of the above Mellen St. road, just below the Lowell Fales place, northwardly through Howardtown, sometimes so called, and thence north-westerly to the "Sherborn Road," near the Dexter Walker place. The hither portion is thus described in the record: "Said way is marked by a Line of marked trees and heaps of stones on the easterly side of said way, home to the road, or way, that leads from Town towards Sherborn, near the Sumners; a heap of stones being the Bounds where said way comes into Sherborn Road; said way being laid out through land where there was allowance for a way, excepting cross a corner William Chainey's land next to Sherborn Road." The most southerly part of this highway is now a portion of Plain St.; the middle section belongs to South Main St.; from South Main St. to Greene it is called Cortland St.; and from thence to Main St., by Obed Daniels's place, it bears the name of Elm St. The reader will notice, (1) that the record quoted recognizes the "Sherborn Road" as existing in 1721, — eighteen years before it was formally laid out in 1739; (2) that it locates the original residence of the Sumners, Ebenezer and Joseph, elsewhere described; and (3) that it indicates a north-easterly corner of William Cheney's farm, also elsewhere described. I allude to these points because they explain and confirm other interesting facts treated of in this volume.

In 1723, "Laid out a way of two rods wide," beginning "near the House of Thomas White, Jr.," [known in our time as the Ezekiel White *alias* Dr. Clark place], thence to "Mill River, a little below

Sergt. Thomas White's Corn-Mill," and thence over the river three rods wide "to the Eight Rod way on the Neck." All but a fraction of this way, lying easterly of Ransom J. Clark's, on Greene St., was discontinued, and sold out to bordering owners in 1791. In 1723 the road was renewedly laid which now includes Plain St. from Mendon line to Mellen St., all Mellen and nearly all Beaver St. The route is thus described: "Through the Mill Plain by Obadiah Wheelock's House [supposed to have stood over one of the lilac cellar-holes]; so continuing said way [two rods wide] by the House of Benjamin Albee, Jr., over Second Plain into the corner of John Rockwood's fence [who is understood to have owned the widow Pond place]; thence said Road to be three rods wide, and to run through Second Bridge River; so continuing by the land of Benjamin Thayer to a Walnut stand marked on the southeasterly side of said way; thence by marked Trees on the same side said way, near as the Road is now drawn, unto a Black Oak Tree marked, said Tree standing in the fence of Jonathan Hayward, near the Great Meadow." So here we have over again the way to the famous "Great Meadow," of which the Mellen St. road, herein before described, was a part. The old way, now called Beaver St., was a long-travelled cart-path before being legally laid out, having been opened as early as 1703, or perhaps still earlier; though the date is somewhat doubtful.

In 1731 a road was laid from John Chapin's (the Ezekiel White, now the wid. Sarah Clark, place) southerly across the plain to John Green's land, and near his house, a little eastward from the Spindleville Machine-Shop. This road was superseded, in 1773, by that part of Greene St. lying between Ransom J. Clark's and said machine-shop. Of course the former road was discontinued. It might gratify the curiosity of a few readers, but would be tedious to the majority, to follow out in detail this history of the old roads, drift-ways, and bridle-paths which were laid out before Milford was set off from Mendon. I have estimated them at about fifty in number. Several are referred to in ancient documents, of which I find no record as ever formally laid out, but only recognized as travelled ways. Most of these have been discontinued, either by Town action or silent common consent. Such are now hardly traceable, and some of them utterly obliterated. I shall therefore content myself with noticing particularly only three or four highways which may be included among our thoroughfares. Two of these afford us good communication with Hopkinton, one with Upton, one with Mendon, Bellingham, etc., and one with Medway. The railroads will, of course, receive attention in their place.

The North Purchase road -- the main portion of which is now

called Purchase St. — was mostly provided for by reservations in the old layings-out, and in deeds, or by cutting through common lands. The first settlers drew the original path accordingly. In 1731 the selectmen of Mendon — Daniel Lovett and Seth Chapin — began at Hopkinton line, in land then belonging to William Brewer of Weston, but afterwards purchased by Josiah and Peter Ball, and laid, as the record reads, "a Highway of three rods wide. Beginning at the west corner of William Brewer's land: then bounded easterly on said Land, then on Common Land, from said Brewer's south corner to the North Corner of Nathaniel Jones' Land [known in later times as the Esq. Saml. Jones place]: thence to a heap of stones, by said Jones' fence East from his House: thence partly through Common Land, and part through said Jones' land: said Road being bounded by marked Trees and heaps of stones on the west side of said road through said Lands abovesaid: and through William Hayward's to Richard Gardner's Land." At that time Richard Gardner owned all the land that afterwards came into possession of Isaac and Jonas Parkhurst, — the first Milford Parkhursts, — all the way from above the widow Jemima place to Main St., in the centre. In 1736 Daniel Lovett, Seth Chapin, jun., and William Torrey, selectmen of Mendon, laid out a highway of three rods wide through Jonas and Isaac Parkhurst's land, beginning at the point where the section laid five years before stopped. They followed the path as opened southerly down to John Peck's, about twenty rods south of Isaac Parkhurst's house, and there halted again. Nearly twelve years later, in 1748, Nathaniel Nelson, George Bruce, and John Chapin, selectmen for that year, completed the legal lay-out down to what is now School St., to Nathaniel Morse's, — known in later times as the Abner Wight and Dr. G. D. Peck place. After Milford became a town, this road was much straightened, and improved from time to time. In 1844 the county commissioners ordered widenings, straightenings, and a thorough reconstruction, all the way through, a distance of three miles and sixty-nine rods; which cost the Town, for damages and construction, $2,526.51.

The road towards Hayden Row, a much-travelled avenue to Hopkinton Centre, now called Cedar St., started thus: —

"Mendon, March 4th, 1742-3. The Selectmen met and laid out a Two Rod way, Beginning at Jonathan Whitney's, on the East side of the North Cedar Swamp, in said Town" [Jona. Whitney was the grandfather of Major Hackaliah, and gt. gd. father of Jesse, whose widow and daughter now dwell in the brick house on the Plain. He was a large landholder in the easterly and north-easterly neighborhood of the Cedar Swamp. The record

proceeds], "said Road, Leading through the Land of Thomas Gage [who owned the land on the south-easterly verge of the swamp], with a Line of marked Trees on the easterly side of said way; said Gage giving the land which said Road takes up, through his land, about eighty rods. Thence through Common Land to land of Thomas Tenney [who then owned the Noah Wiswall place]; then through Land of said Thomas Tenney, about one hundred and three Rods, till it comes to land of John Kilburn [gd. father of Stephen, and gt. gd. fr. of Otis, both decd.]; then through the lands of said Tenney and Kilburn, a rod in width on each, where a Lane is now drawn between them, till it comes to the Country Road Leading to Holliston; the said Road being about Seventy Rods in Length between said parties, and having marked Trees on the East side. Daniel Lovett, Saml. Thayer, Nathan Penniman, Uriah Thayer, Selectmen."

In 1797 the selectmen of Milford laid that part of this road which extended from the then Holliston line by Lieut. Jesse Whitney's house (the one we have known with the old stone chimney), following the trodden path southward to where the first-mentioned laying-out started, supposed to be near Jonathan Whitney's first abode, just east of Pine-grove Cemetery. This addition was accepted, with some reluctance, in 1798. Many improvements have been made on this road from time to time, the most important of them in 1848 and 1853, all which cost the Town nearly three thousand dollars. In 1859 an alteration of the Holliston line added considerably to the length of this road towards Hayden Row. Hopkinton having much improved their portion of this thoroughfare, it is now a very creditable one to both towns, and much travelled.

The principal road between Milford and Upton Centres, though many times rectified and improved at different periods, was very unsatisfactory down to 1834, when the county commissioners new laid it, and mostly over new ground, greatly straightening its course, shortening the distance, and rendering it a respectable highway. Our part of it was nearly two and three-fourths miles in length, and cost a little short of eighteen hundred dollars. It is now called West St.

Our communication with the easterly parts of Mendon, with Bellingham, and thence with the easterly part of Blackstone, Woonsocket, R.I., etc., is through So. Milford. There our roads strike the old "Country Road," *alias* the later turnpike, which, as has been told, forms our southern boundary. What now bears the name of South Main St., and its accessories, afford great conveniences of travel to and from central and So. Milford, in the directions above indicated. Previous to 1830 the old roads were crooked, narrow, and ill-graded. But during that year, in pursuance of orders from the county com-

missioners, South Main St. was constructed and opened. It started from Main St., near the Godfrey estate, passed through the Nathan Wood place, and struck the old road at the easterly terminus of what is now called Cortland St. Thence it followed the travelled way to the present junction of Plain St., whence it took new ground in a direct course through the Wedge lands to the old road again, opposite Elijah Warfield's, and thence to the Penniman store. The distance was about two miles and a-half, the ground comparatively level, and the materials of easy command. The straightening, widening, and grading altogether presented a very great improvement on the old route; and the cost of construction was but about four hundred dollars, — a profitable expenditure. Probably all the incidentals did not raise the total above five hundred dollars. I call Plain St. one of South Main's accessories. It commences beyond the old Eli Bowker place, passes So. Milford schoolhouse, and reaches the "Old Country Road" at what was long known as the Nathan Allen place. It is an ancient highway, as we have already seen, has been improved considerably of late years, and accommodates much travel between Milford, Woonsocket, and the intervening region. Depot St. is another important accessory of South Main. It extends from Central St., below the depots, and passes southerly, by Vernon-grove Cemetery, out into South Main St., a little south of Wood St. It was laid out and built in 1860. It has a fair width, a level grade, and takes much travel to and from the immediate vicinity of the depots in connection with South Main St.

Our principal highway to Medway is called Medway St. It was located by the county commissioners, and built by the Town in 1835. Dominic McDevitt contracted to construct the whole of it, from Main St., between the then residences of Christopher C. Daniell and Zebadiah Flagg, one mile one hundred and seven rods and fifteen links, to Medway line, for ninety-four cents per rod, or a total of about $401.50. It traverses a mainly level surface, crosses a cove of the famous "Great Meadow," and reaches the ancient Sherborn boundary a little beyond Thomas W. Woods's place, formerly Hiram Kilburn's. The territory along this border was inherited by Holliston from the mother town of Sherborn, and was retained till March 3, 1829, when the Gen. Court set it off to Medway, under an arrangement for rectifying town-lines. Thus Medway became our neighbor where Holliston had been aforetime, and she met this new avenue from our centre with one of corresponding excellence. Previously to 1835 our communication with West Medway was over a zigzag and poor road. Now we need no better one.

March 31, 1862, the Town "Voted that a committee of eight be chosen to give proper names to all the streets in town; when Charles Leland, George Jones, Obed Daniels, James H. Barker, Leonard J. Wilson, Lloyd H. Cook, Lewis Fales, and Leonard Hunt were chosen for said committee" (vol. v. p. 26). This committee reported names for all the streets then existing, March 2, 1863; and their report was accepted by the Town.

I will now notice our streets in their alphabetical order, as existing at the present date; giving briefly such descriptions, historical facts, and statistical particulars as seem necessary. In so doing, I must premise that there may be some slight inaccuracies in my figures relating to length, width, and contents of certain roads, owing to imperfect data as well as to incidental mistakes; but I believe the whole to be substantially and sufficiently correct, as I had the careful assistance of our Town-clerk.

Adin St., from Main, next south of Prospect, to Hopedale, near the church; laid out and accepted, 1867; slightly varied, 1877; named after myself; 164 rods and 14 feet long, 3 rods wide; contents, 3 acres, 14 rods, and 44 feet.

Asylum St., from West, northerly by the Town Asylum, out to the ancient Moses Chapin place; a very old way, whose first opening I have not ascertained; the larger southerly portion a part of the old road to Upton; the northerly part laid out 20 feet wide, 1797; the whole subsequently widened and improved at various times; named with reference to the Town Asylum; supposed, from imperfect data, to be 390 rods long and 2 rods wide; contents, 4 acres 140 rods.

Asylum St. (new), from West, opposite Hazel, to Town Asylum; named with reference to the Asylum; accepted, 1867; 74⅓ rods long and 2½ wide; contents, 1 acre 26 rods.

Beach St., from Main, just east of Charles-river Bridge, southeasterly, crossing B. & A. Branch R. Rd., to Central; laid, accepted, and amended in parts at three several times, viz., 1841, 1850, and 1851; 125 rods 15 links long, 2½ plus wide; contents, 2 acres 6 rods.

Beaver St., from Main, alias East Main, southerly, passing Brook, crossing R. Rd., passing Ferguson, crossing Medway, passing Birch, Maple, Mt. Pleasant, and Maple again, to Bellingham line, towards the upper end of the factory pond; one of our very oldest travelled ways, at least its largest portion, — already treated of; originally laid 3 rods wide; variously straightened and improved from time to time; named from its having had several ancient beaver-ponds in its vicinity; supposed, from imperfect data, to be not far from 800 rods long, and, though I doubt its average width, to be about 2½ rods wide; contents, 12 acres 80 rods.

Birch St., from E. Main to Beaver; the north-westerly end laid out, 1809; the south-westerly end, 1811; the main central portion, 1833; north-westerly end discontinued, 1848, but soon re-opened; the whole street estimated to be 270 rods long and 2½ wide; contents, 4 acres 35 rods.

Bragg St., from E. Main to Holliston line; of brief extent; named from its near adjacency to the Bragg families; perhaps 12 to 15 rods long, — call it 15 rods and 3 wide; contents, 45 rods.

Branch St., from Purchase, in the ancient Ball neighborhood, eastward, 17 rods 16 links long, and 2 wide; accepted, 1859; contents, 35⅓ rods.

Brook St., from E. Main to Beaver, across a small brook, a little east of the old Wiswall place; supposed, from imperfect data, to be 35 rods long and 2 wide; contents, 70 rods.

Camp St., from Purchase, next north above Haven, westward, crossing Reservoir to Upton line at Mill River; an old road, first laid out by the selectmen of Mendon to Reservoir St., or thereabouts, 2 rods wide, 1754, also 1759; and the westerly portion thereof by the same authority, 1½ rod in width, 1764; probably wholly or partly a proprietor's pathway, long prior; said westerly portion relaid, 2 rods wide, 1813, and the easterly portion improved thenceforth from time to time; the whole being about 450 rods long and 2 wide; contents, 2 acres 130 rods.

Carroll St., from Hayward, easterly, to Carroll's farm; accepted, 1869; 73 rods long and 2½ wide; contents, 1 acre 22 rods.

Cedar St., from E. Main to Hopkinton line, the road towards Hayden Row, already treated of in historic detail; not far from 920 rods long and 3 wide; probably named with reference to the cedar swamp and pond near which it passes; contents, 17 acres 40 rods.

Cemetery St., from Claflin to Milford and Woonsocket R. Rd.; laid out and accepted, 1867; so called from proximity to the new cemetery (as it then was); 28½ rods long, 2 wide; contents, about 57 rods.

Centre St., in Hopedale Village, from Hopedale St. to Dutcher; on the recorded plan of Hopedale site designated as Union St.; accepted, 1872; 20 rods long, 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

Central St., from Main, across Bow, by the R. Rd. depots, Depot St., Front, Beach, and East, over Bear Hill, to Mt. Pleasant; laid, accepted, and partially altered at several different times, viz., 1850, in connection with Beach St., 2½ rods wide, by the R. Rd. depots, to "the graveyard road," then so called, now Bow St.; 1852, from Main to Bow, same width; also, 1852, extended over Bear Hill;

and later, much improved by sundry widenings and demarcations, particularly in 1863; being now 294 rods 16 links long and 3 rods wide; contents, 5 acres and 84 rods, nearly.

Chapel St., from Hopedale to Dutcher; so named from being next south of the first Hopedale Chapel; accepted, 1872; 20 rods long and 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

Chapin St., from Main to South Main, near Leonard, named probably from its crossing land inherited by a descendant of Major Levi Chapin; accepted, 1871; 46 rods long and 2 wide; contents, 92 rods.

Cheney St., from Cedar to Deer; on the ancient Wales Cheney (later Alexander Cheney) place, whence its name; accepted some time between 1848 and 1853; 45 rods long and 2 wide; contents, 92 rods.

Cherry St., from 27 West to High; accepted, 1873; 41 plus rods long and 30 feet wide; contents, 75 rods.

Chestnut St., from Franklin, passing Orchard Lane, to a private way; accepted, 1863; 67 rods 17 links long and 35 feet wide; contents, 143½ rods, nearly.

Claflin St., from South Bow, passing Cemetery and Prospect Avenue, to Forest; named after the former proprietor of the land crossed, John Claflin, Esq.; accepted, 1867; 89 rods long and 2 rods wide; contents, 1 acre 18 rods.

Congress St., from South Main, passing Parish Common, Park, Exchange, West, Fayette, Pine, and Spruce, crossing Walnut and Fountain, passing Vine, to Silver Hill St., near Reservoir; mainly an old way, first travelled by early settlers along its general course; the southerly portion laid out, 1744, by Mendon authorities; another portion by the same authorities in 1745; straightened, widened, and improved at various times since Milford became a town, and finally completed, in its present state, between 1862 and 1872; about 700 rods long, averaging 2½ wide; contents, 10 acres 150 rods.

Cortland St., from South Main, near the ancient Hayward first settlement, later the Isaac Davenport place, out north-westerly to Greene St., near the first Joseph Sumner place, later Phinehas Eames place, and since occupied by James Batchelder; a piece of one of our oldest roads; originally laid out by Mendon selectmen, 1721; long our most prominent road towards Providence, R.I.; never much altered or improved; little travelled now, and a good specimen of our old-time roads throughout the town; about 160 rods long, laid 3 wide, but cannot be more than 2¼; contents, 2 acres 41 rods, by estimation from imperfect data.

County Road, from West to Fisk's Mills; laid out by county commissioners, 1873; length within our limits, 335 rods and 3 wide; contents, 6 acres 45 rods.

Court St., from Main to Spring, slicing off from Town Common a piece at the west end 12 rods long and 42 feet wide, then extending southerly 24 rods 3½ links, with a width of 24 feet; whole length, 36 rods 3½ links; contents, 65 rods.

Cross St., from West to Lawrence; accepted, July 16, 1855; 80 rods 15 links long and 2 rods wide; contents, 1 acre 1 rod plus. This street has since been called Quinlan.

Deer St., from Cedar, passing Cheney, across Charles River, to a point inland where a house once stood, owned by Alexander Cheney in his day, but latterly burnt; date of acceptance difficult to ascertain; length, from imperfect data, estimated at 200 rods, width 2; contents, 2 acres 80 rods.

Depot St., from Central, near the R. Rd. depots, passing Forest and Vernon, to South Main, a little south of Wood; first laid in 1850; relaid, with some alteration, 1851; and its bounds more exactly defined, 1863; named with reference to its connection with the R. Rd. depots; 250 rods 8½ links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, 4 acres 111 rods.

Dilla St., from Purchase next north of Fountain, across Charles River, to Cedar, just north of Pine-grove Cemetery; accepted, after considerable procrastination, 1838; named in memory of Miss Dilla Twitchell, a somewhat eccentric maiden lady, who formerly dwelt in a house on its route, remarkable as long the affectionate foster-mother of numerous cats, for whom she tenderly cared till her decease in 1830; 307 rods 1 link long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, 4 acres 108 rods, nearly.

Dominic St., from Middleton to Reade; accepted, 1876; named with respectful reference to Dominic McDevitt, an enterprising and venerable Irish-American citizen of the vicinity; 20 rods 7¼ links long, 30 feet wide; contents, nearly 37 rods.

Draper St., from Hopedale to Dutcher, just north of Community Square, on which the church stands; accepted, 1872; named with respectful reference to George Draper, one of its immediately adjacent residents; 15 rods 7 links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, about 46 rods.

Dutcher St., from Adin to Freedom; accepted, 1872; named with respectful reference to Warren W. Dutcher, whose residence graces its southern extremity; 124 rods 2½ links long; 17 rods 17½ links at the end near the church is 3 rods wide, and the other portion 2; contents, 1 acre 106 rods.

East St., from Beach, crossing Central, south to Mathewson's farm; accepted in part, 1861, and the other part, 1870; the part north of Central (not found) wide, the part south 2½ rods; contents, 2 acres 18 rods.

East Walnut St., from Hayward, easterly, near Mt. Pleasant; accepted, 1866; 60 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 120 rods.

Eben St., from Purchase, near Tyler; an ancient way, laid out by Mendon selectmen, 1731, when John Jones, jun., lived on the Ebenezer Sumner place, and then called "a three-rod highway;" it is now about 100 rods long, and probably not more than 2 wide; contents, as estimated from imperfect data, 1 acre 40 rods. Its name must have been given, partly at least, in memory of the two Ebenr. Sumners (father and son), who formerly dwelt at its north-easterly terminus.

Elm St., from Main, opposite Prospect, to Greene, opposite Cortland; originally a part of the same ancient Providence road with Cortland, laid by Mendon selectmen, 1721. In 1757 it was found that Joshua Chapin, who then resided where Obed Daniels now does, had built his house, by mistake, on the bed of the road; wherefore the road was bent northward opposite his house, and he made it passable at his own expense. In 1767 Dr. William Jennison refitted the house, and opened it as a tavern. The road was originally laid 3 rods wide, but I shall guess it now to be 2½, and about 68 rods long; contents, 1 acre 10 rods.

Emmons St., from Walnut, northerly, to Fountain; accepted, 1873; 70 rods 5 links long, and 2½ wide; contents, 1 acre 16 rods.

Exchange St., from Main, opposite Central, passing Fayette, to Congress, opposite West; first laid, 1834; relaid, with slight variations, the same year; and finally relaid, with other slight variations, and accepted, 1854; named from William A. Hayward's building on its north-east corner, called "the Exchange;" 33 rods 12 links long, and 2½ wide; contents, 83½ rods.

Ferguson St., from Beaver, near Medway St., to Medway line; an old piece of road, whose date I have not ascertained, being a part of the former crooked way towards Medway; discontinued, 1849; relaid, 1868, with-additional width; land-damages to be paid when the widening should actually be made (a yet future event); 67 rods 11 feet long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 135 rods.

Forest Street, from Depot to Grove; accepted, 1860; named as originally called when formerly laid out for building-lots by the then land-owner, the tract through which it passed being in its forest state; 63 rods 2 links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, about 158 rods.

Fountain St., from Purchase, next south of Dilla, south-westwardly, across Congress, to near the ancient Ebenezer Cheney place, later the home of Ichabod, Elijah, and Artemas Thayer, and now known as the Justin E. Eames place; laid out east of Congress St. first in 1833, but not actually built till 1849; from Congress St. to Eames's laid and accepted, 1854; named at the request of Mr. Eames, with reference to a natural spring or fountain of water on his farm, near its terminus; whole length, 121 rods; width, $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods; contents, 1 acre $122\frac{1}{2}$ rods.

Franklin St., from 174 Main, opposite Parish Common, passing Chestnut, to Grove; accepted, 1863; 49 rods 15 links long, width varying from 33 feet to 27; contents, about 96 rods.

Freedom St., from West, passing Dutcher and Hopedale, over Mill River, to Mendon line; in part a very old road, and in part new; having, as the matter now stands on record, two branches towards Mendon line, viz., the new North Mendon road, laid out by the county commissioners, 1870, and the old "Salt Box" road, as relaid by said commissioners, 1851. The general course of this road was probably an early proprietors' path, from the ancient Tyler neighborhood in North Mendon to now Milford Centre. It became first a legal town highway, 1748; alterations quite important in Hopedale, and sanctioned by the town, 1849; the old road west of Hopedale discontinued, 1850, but re-opened by the county commissioners, 1851, with considerable improvements ordered, and finally the new road aforesaid laid by the county commissioners, 1870. From West St. to the fork at the foot of Neck Hill the distance is about 423 rods, with a general width of 2 rods, made plus in some places for materials; the "Salt Box" branch is $158\frac{1}{3}$ rods long, and 2 wide; the new road branch is about 131 rods long, and 3 wide; entire length, 712 rods 10 links; the whole contents are about 10 acres 77 rods. Some extras for material are included.

Frost St., from Maple to Medway line; laid out, 1762, and called a "rod-and-a-half way," about 80 rods long; if so, contents, 120 rods.

Fruit St., from Main, near Greene, to South Main; accepted, 1856; 83 rods 19 links long, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods wide; contents, 1 acre 49 rods.

Granite St., from 25 Pearl, passing Winter, to 24 Sumner; accepted, 1857; 29 rods 11 links long, and 45 feet wide; contents, 80 rods plus.

Grant St., from Walnut, near schoolhouse, northerly, to Fountain; accepted in part, 1870; a continuation accepted, 1877; length, 70 rods $17\frac{1}{2}$ links; contents, 1 acre 17 rods.

Greene St., from Main, near Fruit, passing Elm, Cortland, and Hopedale, to Mill; partly an old and partly a new road; the old portion already treated of; a small portion of the very oldest part (from the widow Sarah Clark's to Ransom J. Clark's) laid in connection with a now long-discontinued road to Mendon, 1723; a larger section (from said widow Clark's, northerly, to Cortland and Elm Sts.) laid 1732; another section (from Ransom J. Clark's to Mill St. or thereabouts) laid 1773, in lieu of an older one further east; numerous straightenings, extensions, and improvements made, as follows: 1839, from Newell Nelson's to the then widow Green saw-mill, now Spindleville machine-shop; 1850 and 1851, the northerly new section added (from Main to Cortland and Elm); various other considerable improvements made at sundry times (mostly between the southerly end of the new section and the Newell Nelson place), all presenting a now respectable street about 490 rods long, with an average width which I shall call 3 rods; contents not far from 9 acres 30 rods.

Grove St., from South Main, crossing Forest, passing Prospect Avenue, to South Bow; laid out by the county commissioners, who sanctioned the selectmen's previous laying; named with reference to a considerable grove through or near which it passed; 119 rods 19 links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, 1 acre 139 rods.

Haven St., from Purchase, at the ancient Corbett place, northeasterly to Hopkinton line; an old road, first travelled as a settler's path; laid out as a highway by Mendon selectmen, 1764, and relaid by them, 1771; short piece of road laid on the easterly side, for the accommodation of Luther Haven, 1804, twenty or more rods long, and 1½ wide (which I include); the southern section (from Corbett's to Haven's) straightened and much improved, 1854; likewise the remaining section to Hopkinton line, 1858; named with respectful reference to the Haven family; the whole now 394 rods long, and mostly 2 wide; contents, 4 acres 158 rods.

Hayward St., from Main, near schoolhouse, passing Cook, B. & A. R. Rd., Carroll, and East Walnut, to Mt. Pleasant; laid and accepted, 1864; named with respectful reference to Samuel W. Hayward, one of the land-owners; 121 rods 8½ links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, 1 acre 148 rods.

Hazel St., from West, opposite Asylum (new); first laid, 1843; relaid and accepted in 1850; the name a fancy one, I suppose; 45 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 90 rods.

High St., from Water, near Thayer, crossing West, passing Cherry and Spruce; accepted, 1859; continuation, 1860; 133 rods long, and 2½ wide; contents, 2 acres 12 rods.

Highland St., from West, opposite Prospect, passing Laurel and Vine, to Silver Hill St., near Reservoir; quite an old road, portions of it having been laid out by Mendon selectmen, at the following dates; viz., the southern portion, in connection with what is Prospect St., 1739; the most northerly portion, in connection with what is now Vine St., 1745; and the central portion, 1749; in all these cases said to be two rods wide. With its various improvements, made from time to time, it must, I think, still be called a 2-rod road; imperfect data obliges me partly to guess its length, which I estimate to be about 720 rods; contents, 9 acres.

Hill St., from West to Asylum, near the Town Asylum; in part old, but mostly new; laid, 1841; called Hill from the Hill at its easterly terminus; 109 rods 7 links long, $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods wide; contents, 1 acre $112\frac{2}{3}$ rods.

Hollis St., from Main to South Main; accepted, 1870; 30 rods long, and 32 feet wide; contents, 58 rods, nearly.

Hope St., from Hopedale to Dutcher; accepted, 1872; 20 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

Hopedale St., from Freedom, through Hopedale Village, passing Chapel, Social, Centre, Peace, Draper, Adin, crossing Main, and passing Thwing, to Greene; a compound of new and old roads, whose history is as follows: opened as a bridleway, or private road, from the old Jones house to Hopedale Corner, 2 rods wide, 1805; relaid as a public road, with some alteration of track, along the same route, $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods wide, 1838; extended north to what is now Freedom St. (its course somewhat changed) from the old south line of the Jones farm northward, and the whole made 3 rods wide, by the Hopedale Community, to the acceptance of the town, before 1850; that portion extending from Hopedale Corner to Greene laid out by the county commissioners, $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods wide, 1847; its name derived from that of the village through which it passes; being north of Main St. 188 rods long, 3 wide, and south of Main St. 167 rods long, $2\frac{1}{2}$ wide; entire length, 355 rods; entire contents, 6 acres $21\frac{1}{2}$ rods.

Howard St., from South Main, easterly, crossing Charles River and M. & W. R. Rd., passing southerly, recrossing the river and R. Rd., and thence to Mellen, near South Main; the general route originally a mere leading-way of the first settlers; settled on from 1706 and downwards; sections of it early laid out by Mendon authorities; extended, straightened, and improved under the sanction of Milford authorities in 1789 and 1797, but never made an object of conspicuous interest; it was named, I presume, with honorable reference to the Howard *alias* Hayward families, who have inhabited its neighbor-

hood, more or less numerously, ever since its first settlement by Jonathan Hayward, son of the first Samuel Hayward of old Mendon, in 1706, or thereabouts; imperfect recorded data oblige me to compute proximately its length to be 440 rods, and its width about 2 rods; contents, 5 acres 80 rods.

Jefferson St., from 98 Main, passing Spring Lane and Jefferson Alley, to North Bow; laid and accepted, 1851; 63 rods long, and 3 wide; contents, 1 acre 29 rods.

Jefferson Alley, from Spring to Jefferson; accepted, 1863; 10 rods 21 links long, 18 feet wide; contents, $12\frac{1}{2}$ rods.

Laurel St., from Highland to West; part, I think, of an old road, whose date I have not ascertained; computed, without exact data, to be about 45 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 90 rods.

Lawrence St., passing Quinlan and crossing Lee, in the locality formerly called Lawrenceville, but latterly, rather disrespectfully, Whistly Beer; deriving its name from Cephas Lawrence, who built small dwellings on it for sale, and procured its laying out by the town; accepted, July 16, 1855; 80 rods 15 links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 1 acre $1\frac{1}{5}$ rod.

Lee St., from West, near Cross, crossing Lawrence, to Water; accepted, 1861; 34 rods $19\frac{1}{2}$ links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 69 rods, nearly.

Lincoln St., from Pearl to Sumner; accepted, 1870; 36 rods plus long, and 2 wide; contents, 73 rods, nearly.

Lincoln Square; a minute triangular common at the junction of Main, School, and Pine Sts., graced with a very useful and convenient watering fountain; contents probably very small. The fountain provided by the town, 1873.

Main St., from Mendon to Holliston lines; the ancient "Sherborn Road," already treated of; truly our Main St.; being 1,542 rods long, or thereabouts; that is, 4 miles 262 rods, and averaging not less than 3 rods wide; contents, 28 acres 146 rods. This street east of Charles River is sometimes called East Main.

Maple St., from Beaver, near Birch, passing Frost, southerly and westerly, to Beaver again; a complex of old and new roads too difficult to trace specifically back to the oldest piece; two or three several layings-out between 1750 and 1850; the whole length, as estimated from imperfect data, being about 380 rods long, and averaging perhaps $2\frac{1}{4}$ wide; contents, 5 acres 55 rods.

Marvel St., first laid out and accepted, 1782; discontinued beyond Asia Madden's barn to Upton line, 1842; re-opened and improved the whole length, 1852; 180 rods long, and 2 wide; some guess-

work in computation, but approximately correct; contents, 2 acres 40 rods.

Mechanic St., from Purchase, passing Winter, eastward toward the pond; 40 rods long, and 2 rods 10 links wide; contents, 96 rods.

Medway St., from (East) Main, crossing B. & A. Branch R. Rd., Birch and Beaver Sts., to Medway line; already treated of; 427 rods 15 links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, 8 acres $2\frac{4}{5}$ rods.

Mellen St., from Plain, passing Newton and Warfield, crossing South Main, passing Howard, crossing Charles River, to Bellingham line; a part of the ancient way to "the Great Meadow," already treated of; named in memory of Henry Mellen, who dwelt on it much of his lifetime; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 270 rods long, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ wide; contents, 3 acres $125\frac{1}{2}$ rods.

Middleton St., from East Main, southerly, almost to R. Rd.; accepted, 1876; 26 rods 11 feet long, and 30 feet wide; contents, 48 rods plus.

Mill St., from Plain, a little north of So. Milford cemetery, passing Greene, through Spindleville, over Mill River, to Mendon line; mostly an ancient road, partly laid in 1734, and partly 1744; straightened, widened, and improved, 1792 and 1832; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 390 rods long, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ wide; contents, 5 acres 77 rods.

Mt. Pleasant St., from Beach, near Main, east of the bridge, over the northerly part of Bear Hill, eastward, to Beaver St.; originally laid out by Mendon selectmen as a "driftway," 1742; gates and horse-blocks ordered to be maintained on it by Milford, 1789; which, not satisfying the inhabitants near it, the County Court of Sessions were called, who opened it as a highway, 1791; computed to be 410 rods long, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ wide on the general average; contents, about 5 acres and 122 rods.

Mystic St., now, after discontinuance of its easterly section in 1848, extending only from West down to the ancient Abraham Jones place, later known as Nathaniel Rawson's, and still later as that of Jared Rawson; computed, without accurate measurement, to be 20 rods long, and perhaps 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

Newton St., a short piece of road in South Milford, just south of the dwelling-house, once a schoolhouse, from Plain to Mellen St.; laid first, I am inclined to think, in connection with a piece adjacent to the cemetery in 1791, but afterwards ignored; laid anew, 1857; 9 rods 13 links long, $2\frac{1}{2}$ wide; contents, about 23 rods.

North Bow St., from Main, near the Town-house, passing Spring and Jefferson, to Central, opposite South Bow, of which it is the

counterpart; first laid out, 1840, rather imperfectly; relaid better, 1854; further improved, 1855; somewhat widened, 1860; nearly 76 rods long, and 3 plus wide; contents, 1 acre 68 rods.

Oliver St., from Water to (not ascertained); accepted, 1873; 23 rods 8½ feet long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 47 rods plus.

Otis St., from Chapin to Fruit; accepted, 1872; 32 rods 7 links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 64½ rods.

Park St., from Main, opposite South Bow, passing Parish Common, to Congress; accepted, 1857; 10 rods 19 links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, 92 rods.

Parkhurst St., from Hayward, near the R. Rd. crossing, running some distance parallel with the R. Rd., whence turning an angle, it reaches Hayward again at a distant point; accepted, 1879; named with respectful reference to some of the Parkhursts interested; 73 rods long, in part 2 rods wide, and in part 24 feet; contents, 134 rods.

Peace St., from Hopedale to Dutcher; accepted, 1872; named by the writer; 20 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

Pearl St., from Main, between Church Block and the Sumner Hotel, to Purchase, near the foot of Walnut; laid out in two pieces at two different times, viz., the principal portion from near the front of Pearl-street Universalist Church, to Purchase, 1833, 70 rods long, and 3 wide; and the south end, 8 rods 8 links, at three several times, in connection with North Bow St; whole length, 78 rods 8 links, and 3 rods wide; contents, 1 acre 75 rods, nearly. An error in "Milford Directory" makes Pearl St. extend northward to Fountain St., which needs correction.

Pine St., from 103 Main, at junction with School, to 58 Congress; accepted, Nov. 8, 1847; length, 60 rods; width, 3 rods; contents, 1 acre 20 rods.

Plain Street, from South Main, near the old Bowker place, passing Mill, South Milford cemetery, Newton and Mellen, to Mendon line at the old "Country Road," once so called; originally an ancient voluntary path of the first settlers; portions of it laid out at different times, — 1721, 1723, 1791, and finally 1848, when it was widened and much improved: 434 rods long; 233 rods 14 links of the southern portion 3 rods wide, and the remaining portion 2½; contents, 7 acres 81⅗ rods.

Pond St., from Main, just west of Charles-river Bridge, passing the gas-works, to B. & A. R. Rd.; laid, relaid, and accepted, 1849; named with reference to the mill-pond near its northerly terminus; 60 rods 12 links long, and 2½ wide; contents, 151¼ rods.

Prospect St., from Main, opposite Elm, passing Water, to West, opposite Highland; an ancient travelled path, first laid out by Mendon selectmen in connection with a part of what is called Highland, 1739; considerably altered at its southerly end, 1812; widened and straightened, 1850, and again, 1854; 172 rods 5½ links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, 2 acres 110 rods, or thereabouts.

Purchase St., from junction of School and Pearl, passing Fountain, Dilla, Purchase Lane, Eben, Tyler, Tyler again, Haven, Camp, and Wales, to Hopkinton line; an old road, already treated of; laid out, straightened, widened, and improved, 1731, 1736, 1786, and 1844; about 960 rods long, 2½ plus wide; contents, 15 acres.

Purchase Lane, from Purchase, eastward, near John Goldsmith's boot-shop, to his house, once Lee Claflin's; accepted, 1827; 26 rods, nearly, long, and 2 rods wide; contents, about 52 rods. I have given this name myself, for convenience of statement.

Quinlan St., formerly Cross St. See Cross St., foregoing under letter C.

Railroad St., from South Bow, to M. & W. R. Rd. depot; accepted, 1866; not quite 12 rods long, and 3 wide; contents, 35 rods plus.

Reade St., from Main, near Cedar, to Dominic; accepted, 1876; 14 rods 15⅓ feet long, and 30 feet wide; contents, 23 rods plus.

Reservoir St., from Silver Hill St., near Highland, crossing Camp, towards North Pond reservoir, whence its name; accepted, 1833; 180 rods long, and 2½ wide; contents, 2 acres 130 rods.

School St., from 103 Main, at junction with Pine, crossing Spruce, passing Walnut, near junction of Pearl with the old North Purchase road; an ancient way, as already shown in its connection with said road; relaid and widened by county commissioners, 1869; about 73 rods long, and 45 feet wide; contents, nearly 1 acre and 40 rods.

Short St., from Main, near Cedar; accepted, 1873; 26 rods 11 links long, 2 rods wide; contents, 53 rods.

Silver Hill St., from Tyler, near Purchase, passing Congress, Reservoir, and Highland, crossing Mill River, to Upton; a singular compound of old roads and ways laid out at different times; viz., westerly portion towards Upton, 1759; relaid and much straightened, 1835; the easterly portion first laid 16 rods to Saml. Jones's old house-gate, 1789, and relaid to his new house-gate, 1809; bridleway thence laid westerly, by Seth Nelson's, to what is now the north end of Congress St., 1813; the same portion laid out by our selectmen twice in 1835, but not accepted by the town; same year the selectmen's second lay-out confirmed by county commissioners, and ordered built; whole

length of both portions, 369 rods 8 links; the easterly portion, 2½ rods wide; the westerly, 3; total contents, 6 acres 31 rods.

Social St., from Hopedale to Dutcher; accepted, 1872; 20 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 40 rods.

South Bow St., from Main, opposite Parish Common, passing Bragg Slip, Grove, and Claflin, to Central, opposite North Bow, of which it is the counterpart; first laid out, 1840; widened, 1871; now 72 rods 12 links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, 1 acre 21 rods plus.

South Main St., from Main, opposite Congress, passing Hollis, Forest, Grove, Fruit, Wood, Depot, Cortland, Howard, and Plain, crossing Mellen, passing Warfield, to Mendon line at So. Milford store; already treated of; widened somewhat, 1876; 800 rods long, and averaging about 2½ wide; contents, 12 acres 80 rods.

Spring St., from Main, passing Spring Lane and Jefferson Alley, to North Bow; accepted, 1863; 51 rods 4½ links long, and 30 feet wide; contents, 93 rods.

Spring Lane, from Spring to Jefferson; accepted, 1863; nearly 7 rods 4½ links long, and 20 feet wide; contents, 8 rods plus.

Spruce St., from 63 Main, crossing School, passing old burying-ground and Town Park, crossing Congress, to High; oldest part (from School to Congress) opened by county authority, 1796; relaid, straightened, and widened, 1854, and then called Chessman St.; said to be 64 rods 16 links long, and 2 rods wide, later made 3 rods wide; continued beyond Congress St., 1869, 79 rods 8 links long, and 40 feet wide; the easterly end, behind the "Heater Piece," once so called, of unascertained age, perhaps 18 rods long, and 2½ wide; the entire street now nearly 162 rods long, and of the various widths aforesaid; contents, about 2 acres 105 rods.

Sumner St., from 29 Main to Granite; accepted, 1857; thence to Lincoln, 1870; the former part 42 rods 18 links long, 48 feet wide; the latter part 411 feet long, 48 wide; whole length, 68 rods 15½ links; contents, 1 acre 31 rods, nearly.

Thayer St., from Main to Water; accepted, 1867; 62 rods 8 links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 125 rods, nearly.

Thomas St., from Cortland, south-west of Wood; accepted, 1862; 12 rods 4 links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, 24 rods plus.

Thwing St., from Hopedale, westward, over Mill River, to grist-mill; accepted, 1859; named with respectful reference to Almon Thwing, who then owned the mill-seat; 46 rods 20 links long, and 2 rods wide; contents, about 93½ rods.

Town Common, on the south side of Main St.; originally 20 rods long, and 12 wide, but now shorn by North Bow St. at the east end,

and Court St. at the west end. The original acre and a half was donated to the town by the venerable Darius Sumner, June 14, 1819. The offer was made and accepted in open town-meeting; and the deed bears date July 13, 1819, and is recorded with Worcester Deeds, B. 236, p. 378. As nearly as I can judge, the two streets have taken up 62 rods, perhaps more, of the original area; leaving present contents 1 acre 18 rods.

Town Park, on Congress, between Spruce and Walnut Sts.; a part of the Twitchell farm (originally owned by Amos Binney and Thomas Bailey); purchased by the Town of Emmons Twitchell, for $10,000, as set forth in a deed dated July 1, 1863, and recorded with Worcester Deeds, B. 668, p. 188; containing about 15 acres; a valuable acquisition, well fenced, laid out, improved, and adorned with growing shade-trees, for all which the town has made liberal expenditures.

Turnpike Slip, as I will venture to call it, is a fragment of the Turnpike which at one time occupied the old "Country Road" on our southern border. It somehow happened to be laid across a corner of our territory, at the extreme south-westerly corner, and, when thrown up by the corporation, was relaid into a common highway, in the year 1831, by the county commissioners. It is found by the original record to be 70 rods long, and is 3 wide; contents, 1 acre 62 rods. The pike was laid 4 rods wide, but I have called the relay 3.

Tyler St., a section of the oldest part of the North Purchase road, which dates back to 1731. It was left out as a bend when that road was radically improved in 1844. It extends from Purchase above Eben, passing Silver Hill St., and entering the mother street again some distance north; length, as estimated, without actual measurement, 80 rods, and 2 wide; contents, 1 acre.

Union St., from West, near Cross *alias* Quinlan; accepted, 1869; 33 rods 24 links long, and 40 feet wide; contents, over 82 rods.

Vernon St., from Depot St. to Vernon Cemetery; accepted, 1860; 27 rods 22 links long, and 2½ rods wide; contents, nearly 68 rods.

Vine St., from Congress to Highland; a piece of an old road laid out 1745; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 150 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 1 acre 140 rods.

Wales St., from Purchase, near Hopkinton line, to Haven; in part an old road, dating back to 1763; part of it laid 1811, and the main portion relaid 1822; named with respectful reference to two or three generations of the Wales family formerly inhabiting the neighborhood; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 240 rods long, and 2 wide; contents, 3 acres.

Walnut St., from School, near its junction with Pearl, passing Town Park, across Congress; first laid and accepted, 1864, and afterwards extended westward, 1870; perhaps called Walnut from trees of that kind in the grove occupying a part of Town Park; the easterly portion 70 rods 10 links long, 2½ rods wide; the westerly part 26 rods 12 links long, 3 rods wide; entire length, 96 rods 22 links; which, with its different widths, give contents, 1 acre 95 rods.

Warfield St., from Mellen, southerly, to South Main; an ancient proprietors' way, probably dating back, as a laid-out road, to 1718, though there is some uncertainty about the date; named with respectful reference to the Warfield families who for several generations have dwelt in its vicinity; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 70 rods long, and 2½ wide; contents, 1 acre 15 rods.

Water St., from Main, at the south end of Congress, westerly, passing Thayer, High, and Lee, to Prospect; originally a proprietors' reserved way, open in the early days of the Precinct, and then closed for many years; accepted, 1849; 193 rods 7 links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, 3 acres 100 rods, nearly.

West St., from Congress, opposite Exchange, passing Cherry, High, Quinlan, Union, Lee, Prospect, Highland, Laurel, Asylum, Mystic, Asylum (new), Hazel, Hill, across Mill River, to Upton line; already treated of; nearly 880 rods long, and 3 wide; contents, 16 acres 80 rods.

Winter St., from 12 Granite, passing Lincoln, to Mechanic; accepted, 1870; 34 rods 3½ links long, and 3 rods wide; contents, 102 rods plus.

Wood St., from South Main, next north of Depot, to Cortland; an old road, laid out 1746; estimated, without actual measurement, to be 65 rods long, and 1½ wide; contents, about 98 rods.

There are several town-ways, partly public and partly private, not included among the foregoing. They have been laid out at different periods, and in some cases have been partially discontinued. They are, however, so unimportant, and so difficult to describe with certainty, that I shall leave them without further notice.

A considerable extent of our principal roads has been macadamized; and all of them have substantially good bridges where they cross the two rivers, and are in respectable condition. In former times they were assigned to districts, and kept in repair on the old rate system, chiefly by work at a prescribed price for men and teams per hour, under the direction of highway surveyors annually chosen for the several districts. Latterly the selectmen have been made highway surveyors; and moneys drawn directly from the Town treas-

ury have been expended, as necessity seemed to require, for building improving, and repairing the streets.

We have a few good sewers, the best and most costly of which is the one under Main St., in the Centre. This has recently been completed at an expense to the Town of $4,776.57. It is proper to add that our principal streets are well lighted, at an annual expense of over $2,000.

OUR RAILROADS.

Of these we have three, which centre in close proximity, and afford our inhabitants very convenient communication with all the great marts of the country. The oldest and most important is the Framingham and Milford Branch of the Boston and Albany. This was preceded and obtained by a protracted series of very earnest and self-sacrificing exertions on the part of a few of our leading citizens, to whom the town is more indebted than it has ever yet fully appreciated. Foremost among these citizens were David Stearns Godfrey and Seth P. Carpenter. They worked hard and long in gathering statistics and presenting the case to the proper authorities, in the face of much doubt and opposition, but finally succeeded. It was first contemplated having the branch extended from Framingham to Woonsocket, R.I.; but, if I rightly remember, this excellent scheme was frustrated in the interest of the Norfolk County road. Ultimately the authorities of the Boston and Worcester road were induced to further the enterprise of a branch to terminate in Milford. This branch lacks only 200 feet of 12 miles in length. It was opened, with great demonstrations of rejoicing, July 1, 1848. Its length within our town-limits is about 2 miles and 21 rods; its right of way is 4 rods in width, and its depot-grounds cover 2 acres; contents, about 21 acres.

The Milford and Woonsocket Branch connects with what is known as the Air-Line R. Road at Bellingham. It affords excellent accommodations for travel and transportation. It was opened, with appropriate ceremonies, Aug. 1, 1868. Its length is stated to be $3\frac{88}{1000}$ miles; 2 miles and 17 rods of it are within our limits, and its right of way is mostly 4 rods wide, which, with its depot-grounds, makes its contents about 18 acres. The town owns $50,000 of its capital stock.

The Hopkinton Rail Rd., from Ashland to Milford, furnishes many conveniences of intercourse, and, though thus far unprofitable to the pockets of its stockholders, affords, on the whole, important advantages to the public. It was opened Dec. 24, 1872. Whole length, $11\frac{45}{1000}$ miles; length within our limits, 2 miles and 218 rods; width

of way generally 4 rods; contents, about 21 acres. Milford owns in its stock and bonds $15,000.

According to my estimates and figures, our entire length of streets and roads is about 73 miles and 47 rods; and all our public grounds, in roads, parks, etc., cover nearly 397 acres. Whoever will be at the trouble and expense of ascertaining exact accuracy, is at liberty to do so.

CHAPTER XIII.

STATISTICS OF FINANCE, POPULATION, PRODUCTION, ETC.

The Town's Financial Affairs, Operations, and Exhibits. — Lack of Early Financial Documents and Records, by reason of Negligence, Fire, etc. — What Funds the Town started with by Settlement with Mendon. — Copy of Reported Settlement. — Moneys raised for its Principal Purposes by the Town, from Year to Year, during its Century of Corporate Existence, in Tabulated Statements, showing Receipts and Expenditures. — Town Assets and Indebtedness. — Its Taxable Resources of All Kinds.

Productive Industries and Pursuits. — Statistics collected by the State for 1837, '45, '55, '65, and '75. — Our Manufactures. — Rise and Growth of the Boot and Shoe Business. — Various other Branches of Manufacturing Enterprise, more or less Successful at Different Periods. — The Small Beginnings and Ultimate Triumphs of the Most Successful. — Descriptions and Statistics of those in the Centre and at Hopedale. — The Results of Enterprise, Improvements, and General Progress now Prominent.

THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, OPERATIONS, AND EXHIBITS.

IN this section I shall treat, as well as I can, on all the important facts of a financial nature which the town-records show to have been developed by its corporate action. I have been unable to find any very early valuations, rate-bills, or monetary accounts. No books of assessors, selectmen, collectors, or treasurers, previous to 1795, are now extant. A fire, Jan. 3, 1853, destroyed most of the treasurer's books down to that date. Our early valuations must have been comparatively small. Financial statisticians in the Tax Commissioners' Office, Boston, inform me, on the authority of the "American Statistical Association's Collections," vol. i., that there is no record of the valuations of Mendon and Milford until 1781; and, for that year, that Mendon had a valuation of £261,000, with 296 polls, and Milford a valuation of £190,800, with 183 polls. I suspect these valuations must have been based somewhat on the depreciated currency of the times, and are hardly trustworthy. We know, from authentic sources, nearly what the infant town had in its treasury to start with, and what amounts of money have been annually raised since. In 1825 annual financial reports, though somewhat crude, began to be recorded by the selectmen.

It appears, from the agreements and settlements concurrently made

between Mendon and her daughter town, that Milford was held entitled to receive from Mendon treasury some £2,000. The agreement made preliminary to separation (see Chap. VI.) stipulated that the new town should draw their equal proportion of the school-money according to the valuation; also one-third of the ministry-money; also their equal proportion of the town's stock of arms and ammunition; and, furthermore, "that if there appears to be a surplusage of money, over and above paying all the Town's debts and charges, then the newly-incorporated Town should draw their equal proportion, according to their Valuation." What is called school-money and ministry-money I suppose to have arisen from the sale of lands, and rights to common lands, as provided in the original assignment of proprietors' lots, when Mendon town-seat was first settled; for then there was set off a "school-lot" and a "ministry-lot," ranking co-equally with the other proprietors' lots in all subsequent divisions of the common lands. The moneys accruing from sale of the lands belonging to these school and ministry lots, or at least a considerable portion thereof, had been funded in loans; and the annual net income used to support schools and the gospel ministry respectively. Now, Milford received one-third of these two funds, probably in the form of notes or bonds against individuals. Just what the amount of each fund was, I have found no record or paper that definitely states. The annual income of each must have been comparatively small, — perhaps somewhere between ten and forty dollars. But as to the surplusage of money in Mendon treasury due to Milford, the following recorded document is somewhat explicit: —

"We the Subscribers, being Committees chosen by the Towns of Mendon and Milford to settle sundry affairs between said Towns, have attended said service, and have divided the poor people which was supported by the Town of Mendon before said Town of Milford was Incorporated into a Town, to each of said Towns their proportionable part. Also we have divided that part of the Country Road and Eight Rod Road (so called) which is between the said Town's of Mendon and Milford, — to each Town their equal half to mend and keep in repair forever; and have committed a written Division of said poor and said roads unto the Town Clerks of said Mendon and Milford to be recorded, — they being signed by the Chairman of each of the said Committees. We, the said Committee of said Mendon, have also delivered said Committee of Milford their proportionable part of the arms and ammunition belonging to said Town of Mendon (before said Town of Milford was set off), and have taken their Receipts therefor. We have also found that the Town of Mendon owes the Town of Milford the sum of Two Thousand Pounds Old Emission, and also said Town of Milford's proportionable part of two States Notes, — one dated Dec. the 1st,

1777, the sum of £1,169, 9*s.*, two years' interest paid; the other dated April 1st, 1778, the sum of £1,234, 11*s.*, one year's interest paid ; they, the said Town of Milford, paying or discharging the said Town of Mendon from the several debts which said Town of Mendon owes to the several persons hereafter named (viz): A debt to Mr. Ichabod Thayer, the Security being dated August the 19th, 1776, the sum of £15, 0*s.* ; Also a Note of Capt. Ichabod Thayer, dated April the 25, 1777, the sum of £30, 0*s.*; also a Note of Elijah Stoddard, dated May the 23, 1777, the sum of £18, 0*s.*; also a Note of Boyce Kimball, dated May the 31, 1777, the sum of £30, 0*s.*; also a Note to Ezekiel Bates, dated May the 27, 1778, the sum of £50, 0*s.*; also a Note to Saul Ramsdell, dated April the 22, 1777, the sum of £18, 0*s.*; also of Capt. Gershom Nelson, dated March the 12, 1777, the sum of £30, 0*s.*; also to Ebenezer Read, dated August the 1, 1778, the sum of £20, 0*s.*; also a Note to Obadiah Wood, dated May 1, 1777, the sum of £30, 0*s.* We say, that, in case said Town of Milford discharge the abovesaid debts, then the Town of Mendon owes the Town of Milford Two Thousand Pounds, to be on Interest until paid, and also their proportionable parts of the abovesaid States Notes. And in case there should any more debts appear against said Town of Mendon, that were due before said Town of Milford was Incorporated, then said Town of Milford is held to pay their proportionable part ; save that there is in the Treasury of said Town of Mendon the sum of Five Hundred Pounds to be adjusted.

"And also we have delivered to said Town of Milford their proportionable part of the Ministry Money, and also their proportionable part of the School Money, which formerly Belonged to the Town of Mendon before Milford was set off as a Town.

"The Town of Mendon are to pay and discharge the following debts, that were contracted before the Town of Milford was Incorporated (viz): To Col. Andrew Peters, it being the sum of £156, 0*s.*; also Edward Rawson, Esq., of the original sum of £168, 12*s.* 7½*d.*; also three Notes to Josiah Nelson, the sum of £140, 0*s.*; also to the widow Rawson, a Note of £39, 0*s.*; also a Note to Levi Albee of the sum of £36, 0*s.*; also a Note to Capt. Samuel Green, Dec., the sum of £15, 0*s.*; also a Note of Samuel Swift, the sum of £24; and also £12 to Henry Penniman.

"Relative to the Town of Mendon owing the Town of Milford £2,000, as also said Town of Mendon and Town of Milford discharging the abovesaid debts, is submitted to said Towns.

JOHN TYLER,
JOHN ALBEE,
PETER PENNIMAN,
SAMUEL WARREN,
JONATHAN JONES,
ICHABOD THAYER, JR.,
SAMUEL JONES,
} *Committee of Mendon and Milford.*

"MENDON the 26 of March, 1781.

(See Milford Records, vol. i. pp. 19, 20.)

I am not certain that I correctly understand this statement as the committee intended. Milford is credited with its proportionable part of two State notes, amounting to £2,404; its proportion, or one-third, of the ministry and school-money, not specified; with a balance due out of Mendon treasury of £2,000; and finally with its contingent share of reserved money, £500. It is debited with obligations to pay certain notes, amounting to £241. Now, we do not know, from the committee's statement, what Milford's proportionable part of the two State securities was, nor what their one-third of the ministry and school money was, nor whether any part of the unadjusted balance in the treasury was likely ever to come to Milford, nor what the value of the then much-depreciated paper currency was. It is not impossible that the committee may have meant that the note of £2,000 should cancel every thing due to Milford. I do not see clearly through it all, and therefore leave the matter to the curiosity of more expert readers. It is pretty certain, in view of paper-money depreciation at that date, that our infant treasury did not start off with a very flush outfit. Whoever wishes to estimate the nominal value, will, of course, remember that the New-England pound (£) was rated at $\$3\frac{1}{3}$; and they will not forget, that, during the year 1781, Continental paper-money ran down to $2 in coin for $1,000. Some of the other securities named in the committee's statement were doubtless of far greater value; of how much, I need not presume to say.

The next best thing I can do in this line of historic finance, as concerns our town, is to present a table showing the amounts which have been raised annually for the following-named principal purposes, — general town-charges, highways, schooling, and extra objects. I omit warlike and military items, because already treated of in another chapter, and because many of them were re-imbursed by the State. Pounds, etc., are rendered in Federal money.

Year.	General Charges.	Highways.	Schooling.	Extras.	Total.
1780 . .	$66,950 00[1]	–	$3,333 00	–	$70,286 67
1781 . .	1,000 00[2]	$300 00[2]	66 67	–	1,366 67
1782 . .	750 00[2]	–	100 00	–	850 00
1783 . .	666 67[3]	–	100 00	–	766 67
1784 . .	1,400 00	–	100 00	–	1,500 00
1785 . .	333 33	400 00[3]	100 00	–	853 33
1786 . .	[4]	400 00	100 00	–	500 00
1787 . .	[4]	400 00	100 00	–	500 00
1788 . .	333 33[5]	400 00	100 00	–	833 33
1789 . .	166 67[5]	400 00	100 00	–	666 67
1790 . .	166 67[5]	400 00	133 33	–	700 00
1791 . .	333 33[5]	400 00	133 33	–	866 67
1792 . .	266 67[5]	400 00	133 33	–	800 00
1793 . .	266 67[5]	400 00	200 00	–	866 67
1794 . .	233 33[5]	400 00	200 00	–	833 33
1795 . .	516 67[5]	400 00	200 00	–	1,116 67
1796 . .	416 67[5]	400 00	233 33	–	1,050 00
1797 . .	333 33[5]	600 00	266 67	–	1,200 00
1798 . .	250 00[5]	600 00	266 67	–	1,116 67
1799 . .	2,666 67[6]	600 00	266 67	–	1,483 34
1800 . .	300 00	600 00	266 67	–	1,166 67
1801 . .	330 00	600 00	266 67	–	1,196 67
1802 . .	400 00	600 00	266 67	–	1,266 67
1803 . .	600 00	600 00	266 67	–	1,466 67
1804 . .	700 00	600 00	266 67	–	1,566 67
1805 . .	800 00	600 00	300 00	$200 00[7]	1,900 00
1806 . .	800 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,700 00
1807 . .	800 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,700 00
1808 . .	1,000 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,900 00
1809 . .	1,000 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,900 00
1810 . .	1,000 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,900 00
1811 . .	900 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,800 00
1812 . .	800 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,800 00
1813 . .	800 00	600 00	300 00	–	1,700 00
1814 . .	700 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,700 00
1815 . .	600 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,600 00
1816 . .	850 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,850 00
1817 . .	850 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,850 00
1818 . .	850 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,850 00
1819 . .	500 00	600 00	400 00	1,000 00[8]	2,500 00
1820 . .	1,000 00	600 00	400 00	–	2,000 00
1821 . .	1,200 00	600 00	400 00	–	2,200 00
1822 . .	1,400 00	600 00	400 00	300 00[9]	2,700 00
1823 . .	1,700 00	600 00	400 00	–	2,700 00
1824 . .	1,200 00	600 00	400 00	–	2,200 00
1825 . .	1,200 00	600 00	500 00	4,634 39[10]	6,934 39

[1] Depreciated currency. [2] Lawful silver money. [3] Not specified.
[4] Very hard times. [5] Paid in work.
[6] Donation of $300 to Phinehas Eames, whose house was burnt and some of his family.
[7] Sundries. [8] The Town-house. [9] Additional appropriation.
[10] This may be called a rectification and indemnification tax. In 1819, when the Town-house was built and had to be paid for, the town party and parish party were in hot controversy. The latter stood out against paying their taxes, alleging that they were not legally assessed.

Year.	General Charges.	Highways.	Schooling.	Extras.	Total.
1826 . .	1,400 00	600 00	400 00	–	2,400 00
1827 . .	800 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,800 00
1828 . .	800 00	600 00	400 00	–	1,800 00
1829 . .	1,000 00	600 00	600 00	400 00[1]	2,600 00
1830 . .	1,000 60	600 00	500 00	–	2,100 00
1831 . .	1,000 00	400 00[2]	500 00	–	1,900 00
1832 . .	1,000 00	600 00[3]	500 00	–	2,100 00
1833 . .	1,000 00	600 00	600 00	150 00[1]	2,350 00
1834 . .	800 00	600 00	700 00	700 00[1]	2,800 00
1835 . .	1,200 00	600 00	800 00	–	2,600 00
1836 . .	1,500 00	600 00	800 00	–	2,900 00
1837 . .	1,000 00	900 00	800 00	–	2,700 00
1838 . .	700 00[4]	800 00	800 00	–	2,300 00
1839 . .	1,000 00	800 00	800 00	–	2,600 00
1840 . .	2,000 00[5]	900 00	800 00	–	3,700 00
1841 . .	2,000 00	1,100 00	1,000 00	50 00[6]	4,150 00
1842 . .	2,000 00	1,200 00	1,000 00	–	4,200 00
1843 . .	1,600 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00[1]	4,600 00
1844 . .	2,200 00	1,000 00	1,200 00	900 00[6]	5,300 00
1845 . .	3,300 00	1,000 00	1,200 00	200 00[1]	5,700 00

We have now reached a period when the annual financial reports assumed a more methodical and systematic form, and were nearly all regularly printed. I can therefore summarize their contents with more convenience to myself and instruction to my readers than seemed possible with their less complete predecessors. The following table of ten columns will show, 1st, the year; 2d, the total of receipts into the treasury; 3d, expenditures of every kind on account of the poor; 4th, ditto on account of roads; 5th, ditto on account of education; 6th, ditto on account of the fire-department; 7th, ditto on all other accounts; 8th, total of disbursements; 9th, cash and dues in the treasury; and, 10th, the balance of town indebtedness over dues. In this table I shall not attempt to exclude military expenditures, but shall include them under the 7th head. The financial year ends variously from about the middle of February to the first week in March.

The courts sustained them, and the assessors lost their case. The town party took counsel, and levied this special tax to rectify and indemnify losses. The parish party resisted, but had to submit at last, the courts sustaining the tax. The terms of the appropriation were so framed as to square up the whole matter, principal and interest. (See report of decision, chap. xiv.

[1] Making roads. [2] Cash. [3] Work again.

[4] United States surplus revenue being received.

[5] The town trying to reduce its debt from year to year. [6] Fire department.

Year.	Receipts.	Poor.	Roads.	Education.	Fire-Department	All others.	Total Disbursements.	In Treasury.	Balance Debt.
1844-45 .	9,874 86	485 21	2,526 51	1,279 87	1,118 47	439 47	5,849 53	2,257 71	5,821 41
1845-46 .	7,944 99	626 23	212 64	1,295 74	390 22	3,798 23	6,323 06	1,621 93	4,715 86
1846-47 .	7,048 63	1,256 61	116 33	1,314 12	83 84	2,148 23	4,919 13	2,129 50	4,723 45
1847-48 .	6,632 81	450 00	843 90	1,507 54	96 22	3,020 58	5,918 24	827 78	4,859 13
1848-49 .	10,744 00	1,234 59	3,113 42	1,500 95	17 87	3,653 08	9,519 91	1,346 09	4,469 52
1849-50 .	17,080 66	5,153 24	2,018 09	1,019 81	256 58	7,165 19	15,612 91	1,467 75	9,251 02
1850-51 .	18,373 53	1,540 00	3,893 43	7,692 26	282 95	3,775 42	17,184 06	1,189 27	16,913 99
1851-52 .	22,113 33	1,848 10	2,768 34	3,866 29	668 78	8,870 46	18,021 97	4,191 46	14,074 45
1852-53 .	23,722 39	1,861 34	1,628 43	4,304 74	1,258 03	10,609 53	19,662 07	4,110 32	14,889 67
1853-54 .	25,180 93	1,850 00	3,775 43	4,649 82	490 14	9,585 56	20,350 95	4,829 98	13,830 02
1854-55 .	52,368 85	2,415 40	5,089 12	5,315 07	3,060 47	32,312 77	48,192 83	4,176 02	40,873 98
1855-56 .	44,367 75	2,141 67	6,998 54	6,527 54	2,949 30	18,844 32	37,461 37	6,906 38	41,360 29
1856-57 .	37,472 53	2,300 00	3,409 75	4,930 86	3,200 00	12,916 38	26,757 19	12,544 77	35,105 23
1857-58 .	45,809 73	2,294 31	5,653 37	7,381 13	5,900 00	18,676 10	39,904 91	6,735 59	39,914 41
1858-59 .	40,760 03	2,100 80	2,348 22	11,515 27	2,673 50	14,745 88	33,383 67	8,038 88	40,930 12
1859-60 .	42,221 27	2,578 19	4,407 98	11,381 43	3,526 20	16,514 40	38,408 20	11,548 76	36,062 74
1860-61 .	43,275 31	2,359 51	5,020 89	16,980 07	4,104 14	14,481 10	42,945 71	9,847 00	48,166 21
1861-62 .	65,243 22	3,076 44	4,902 36	8,819 72	2,818 65	37,057 54	56,674 71	20,486 94	57,013 57
1862-63 .	79,670 93	3,060 88	54 56	8,814 99	2,120 00	58,049 83	77,667 00	29,364 73	85,527 07

1863-64 .	202,628 55	3,914 14	3,499 24	11,282 44	2,170 00	181,820 87	195,871 30	37,814 87	107,185 13
1864-65 .	137,139 44	4,711 28	7,816 90	24,113 28	2,321 66	116,008 24	136,874 06	39,070 58	156,602 81
1865-66 .	142,056 69	5,142 92	2,683 25	14,336 48	2,360 00	98,383 40	137,346 52	33,596 09	142,753 91
1866-67 .	110,384 62	5,600 00	8,122 68	19,758 76	9,841 00	84,344 33	108,866 98	24,479 44	157,220 56
1867-68 .	158,262 22	5,500 00	10,940 98	24,311 87	3,952 50	104,709 63	148,032 07	31,440 11	191,005 87
1868-69 .	158,611 65	4,998 40	11,227 31	24,133 05	14,286 24	113,197 36	157,902 71	22,555 27	223,244 73
1869-70 .	133,854 57	5,000 00	10,578 10	20,515 88	7,149 89	77,447 14	132,092 14	21,738 31	223,211 69
1870-71 .	152,036 79	5,000 00	17,145 10	37,640 92	5,599 37	108,792 92	152,036 79	21,337 02	217,402 02
1871-72 .	166,618 88	5,744 73	20,010 68	27,251 35	5,750 00	106,959 35	165,716 11	17,787 70	214,365 07
1872-73 .	162,592 52	4,863 78	21,309 04	21,560 88	5,294 38	55,764 84	161,404 42	24,254 77	223,145 23
1873-74 .	197,255 52	7,154 36	15,100 35	21,677 14	12,576 27	140,241 50	196,749 62	21,367 52	210,182 48
1874-75 .	130,892 02	6,597 84	14,209 26	21,128 04	7,858 75	81,589 99	121,383 88	28,918 00	198,332 00
1875-76 .	125,195 78	8,660 00	12,973 47	21,648 90	6,150 00	71,830 75	121,263 12	14,932 63	200,967 37
1876-77 .	110,491 40	12,500 00	9,719 52	17,738 13	4,450 00	59,952 86	104,360 51	28,046 94	171,553 06
1877-78 .	106,664 10	13,364 86	8,908 95	20,698 94	5,440 00	52,095 47	100,508 22	32,610 60	171,989 40
1878-79 .	158,204 62	11,839 23	10,521 92	22,097 28	7,146 71	100,497 27	152,102 41	21,360 65	178,189 35
1879-80 .	114,093 40	10,315 16	6,136 20	21,828 73	5,053 37	61,280 31	104,663 77	9,429 63	185,020 37

The last preceding table includes, under the head, "All other," a great variety of expenditures, among which certain kinds might be tabulated, perhaps, with interest to a few curious readers; but it will hardly repay the necessary pains. In finding the balance of town indebtedness, I have merely deducted cash and dues in the treasury from year to year, excluding railroad stocks and all other town property which are termed assets; because, though these so-called assets are valuable in their place, they are not available to any considerable extent for the liquidation of the municipal debt.

The town assets for 1878 were, —

Schoolhouses of all grades	$67,000
Two town-houses, engine-buildings, etc.	34,000
Public grounds, park, etc.	16,000
Fire apparatus	16,000
Town poor-farm and other real estate	4,000
Public library	5,000
Cemeteries	5,000
Water-works	2,000
Sewerage	7,000
Stock as held in Milford & Woonsocket Railroad	50,000
Stock and bonds of Hopkinton Railroad	15,000
All other miscellaneous assets	28,600
Thus we have a nominal total of	$249,600

At the same time, our total indebtedness was set down at $204,600. I suppose these estimates and figures will not materially differ for 1880. [This was written in 1879, and not altered in 1880.] So our assets exceed our liabilities, as thus appraised, to the amount of $45,000.

What the taxable resources of the town have been during the ten decades of its corporate existence, may be partially understood from the following tabular statement. The records and documents down to 1830 were so defective, or required so much critical research to obtain reliable figures, that I excused myself from the task. The ratable polls for 1800 are put down at 163; for 1810, 194; and for 1820, 226. What the total valuation was from 1780 to 1830 can be guessed rather than authentically estimated. It probably ranged from year to year progressively from $150,000 to $300,000. I have gone by decades to 1860, and then for shorter periods.

Year.	Personal Estate.	Real Estate.	Total.	Polls.
1830 [1]	Not given.	Not given.	$389,941 00	344
1840 [1]	Not given.	Not given.	509,786 00	502
1850 [1]	Not given.	Not given.	1,196,792 00	1,492
1860 [1]	Failed to	get hold	of the data.	–
1861	$865,134 00	$249,050 00	3,274,184 00	2,429
1862	828,121 00	2,240,607 00	3,068,728 00	2,454
1863	954,279 00	2,250,871 00	3,205,150 00	2,565
1864	863,731 00	2,308,620 00	3,172,351 00	2,525
1865	1,159,989 00	2,424,560 00	3,584,549 00	2,432
1866	1,308,666 00	2,498,400 00	3,807,066 00	2,432
1867	1,574,466 00	2,543,012 00	4,117,478 00	2,551
1868	1,682,059 00	2,660,949 00	4,343,008 00	2,641
1869	1,688,666 00	2,865,079 00	4,553,745 00	2,638
1870	1,647,233 00	3,206,176 00	4,853,409 00	2,639
1871	1,467,544 00	3,326,952 00	4,794,496 00	2,662
1872	1,574,861 00	3,575,071 00	5,149,932 00	2,725
1873	1,302,476 00	3,777,318 00	5,079,794 00	2,672
1874	1,274,762 00	3,814,270 00	5,089,032 00	2,691
1875	1,231,240 00	3,838,623 00	5,069,863 00	2,634
1876	1,218,246 00	3,852,175 00	5,070,421 00	2,523
1877	1,133,622 00	3,226,161 00	4,359,783 00	2,379
1878	1,994,353 00	3,324,874 00	4,419,227 00	2,482
1879 [2]	1,113,975 00	3,249,115 00	4,363,090 00	2,396
1880 [3]	1,102,039 00	3,282,816 00	4,384,855 00	2,385
Rate per $1,000	$17.00.	Total tax	$79,338.24	

The principal kinds and amounts of property included in the valuations for the years indicated are presented in the following table: —

Year.	Taxable Acres of Land.	Dwellings.	Capital invested in Manufactures.	Establishments.	Horses.	Cows.
1861	11,896¼ acres.	1,194	Not found.	Not found.	483	658
1865	11,896 "	1,249	$687,482 00	49	486	556
1870	11,896 "	1,356	Not found.	Not found.	530	637
1875	11,667 "	1,547	1,330,696 00	199	609	561
1879	11,688 "	1,585	Not found.	Not found.	636	659
1880	11,688 "	1,572	Not found.	Not found.	636	626

[1] Personal and real estate valuations are not footed up in the assessor's books during these years.
[2] Total tax this year, $78,219.00. [3] Tax on polls for 1880, $2.00.

The published statistics of the Commonwealth set forth that in 1865 we had 134 farms, comprising 7,353 acres; that we had 2,445 acres of unimproved land, 414 acres unimprovable, 3,730 acres of woodland, and 2,377 acres cultivated; that our farm-lands and buildings were valued at $402,900, and our total of farm-property at $542,168. The total of this agricultural property, for 1875, is set down at $601,335. Thus it is obvious that Milford is not an agricultural town, and that the bulk of her valuation consists in other kinds of property. This is known to be largely real and personal estate invested in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. Of these I need not treat in this immediate connection, as they will come in under the next general head.

PRODUCTIVE INDUSTRIES AND PURSUITS.

The plain, old-fashioned forms of husbandry and domestic productions predominated with our population down to 1820, — perhaps I ought to say till 1830; after which, the boot, shoe, and leather industries began to assume commanding importance. But there was a marked inclination among our people to mechanical pursuits from the beginning, though the amount of production was comparatively small. We have no statistics of industrial production till the year ending April 1, 1837, and then meagre ones. These were collected and published by the State. They are so few, and occupy so little space, that I may properly quote them *verbatim:* —

"Cotton-mill, 1; cotton-spindles, 1,200; cotton consumed, 13,000 lbs.; cotton goods manufactured, 80,000 yards; value of same, $5,000; males employed, 8; females, 14; capital invested, $15,000.

"Common sheep, 29; wool produced, 87 lbs.; average weight of fleece, 3 lbs.; value of wool, $45.

"Boots manufactured, 128,000 pairs; value of same, $212,000; males employed, 305; females, 37.

"Hides curried, 5,000; value of leather curried, $12,000; hands employed, 5; capital invested, $5,000.

"Manufactory of chairs and cabinet ware, 1; value of chairs and cabinet ware, $1,500; hands employed, 2.

"Tinware manufactory, 1; value of tinware, $800; hands employed, 1.

"Straw bonnets manufactured, 4,000; value of same, $12,000.

"Value of varnish manufactured, $5,500; hands employed, 2; capital invested, $4,000.

"Value of clothing manufactured, $4,500; hands employed, 10; capital invested, $1,000.

"Value of shoe-pegs manufactured, $671; hands employed, 2; capital invested, $100.

"Value of wagon-irons manufactured, $2,500; hands employed, 4; capital invested, $400.

"Value of whips manufactured, $1,000; hands employed, 1; capital invested, $500."

This is not a very flattering display, it must be confessed. Nothing appears to the credit of agriculture except those twenty-nine sheep and their wool; nothing of merchandise and trade; and probably some omissions in other departments. But statistics were then in their infancy, and it would be ungenerous to blame anybody.

Our next authorized embodiment of industrial products is for the year ending April 1, 1845. The returns from Milford are so condensed that I may as well copy them entire. These abbreviations will be readily understood.

"Saddle and harness manufactories, 1; V. of articles m'd, $200; C., $100; Employees, 1.

"Hat manufactories, 1; hats m'd, 150; V., $375; C., $100; E., 2.

"Soap manufactories, 2; soap m'd, 100 lbs.; V., $425; C., $100; E., 2.

"Cabinet-ware manufactories, 1; V. of ware m'd, $1,000; C., $100; E., 2.

"Tinware manufactories, 1; V. of ware m'd, $150; C., $100; E., 1.

"V. of leather curried, $30,000; C., $2,500; E., 10.

"Boots m'd, 243,890 pairs; shoes, 10,550 pairs; V. of boots and shoes, $373,835; M. E., 482; F. E., 220.

"Straw bonnets m'd, 1,500; V., $1,500; V. of straw braid m'd, and not made into bonnets and hats, $12,500; F. E., 154.

"V. of building stone quarried and prepared, $3,500; E., 6.

"V. of mechanics' tools m'd, $1,150; E., 3.

"Lumber prepared, 250,000 feet; V., $3,000; E., 6.

"Firewood prepared, 2,000 cords; V., $6,000; E., 27.

"Sperm-oil consumed in manufacturing establishments, 1,000 galls.; V., $1,000; all other kinds, 1,500 galls.; V., $800; anthracite coal consumed in manufacturing, 10 tons; V., $100; V. of all other articles of American production consumed, excepting cotton, wool, and iron, $225,245; V. of all other articles of foreign production, except. as above, consumed, $127,622.

"Sheep, 23; V., $77; wool produced, 72 lbs.; V., $12.

"Horses, 205; V., $11,045; neat cattle, 917; V., $18,022; swine, 414; V., $2,954.

"Indian corn, or maize, raised, 5,821 bush.; V., $4,657; rye, 804 bush.; V., $725; barley, 604 bush.; V., 453; oats, 1,929 bush.; V., $750; potatoes, 20,123 bush.; V., $6,036; other esculent vegetables, 1,521 bush.; V., $610; hay, 1,538 tons; V., $17,500.

"Fruit raised, 13,552 bush.; V., $5,000.

"Butter, 31,124 lbs.; V., $5,602; cheese, 17,444 lbs.; V., $1,050.

"Shoe-pegs m'd, 333½ bush.; V., $500; E., 2.

"Boot boxes m'd, 12,000; V., $3,840; E., 4.

"Window-sashes m'd, 8,000 lights; V., $200; E., 1.
"Doors m'd, 250; V., $375; E., 1.
"Window-blinds m'd, 75 pairs; V., $187; E., 1.
"Beans raised, 300 bush.; V., $450.
"V. of wheelwrights' manufactures, $1,200; E., 2."

Our next showing is for the year ending June 1, 1855: —

"Establishments for m. of cotton, woollen, and other machinery, 2; val. of machinery m'd, $15,000; cap., $5,000.

"Axe manufacture; axes, hatchets, and other edged tools m'd, 1,800; val., $875; cap., $300; emp., 17.

"Daguerrotype artists, 1; daguerrotypes taken, 3,500; cap., $1,000; emp., 2.

"Saddle, harness, and trunk manufactories, 2; val. of saddles, etc., $2,500; cap., $1,000; emp., 4.

"Hat and cap manufactories, 1; hats and caps m'd, 936; cap., $2,573; emp., 3.

"Establishments for m. of railroad cars, coaches, chaises, wagons, sleighs, and other vehicles, 3; val. of railroad cars, etc., m'd, $22,340; cap., $12,000; emp., 17.

"Establishments for m. of soap and tallow candles, 1; soap m'd, 25,000 lbs. and 800 bbls.; val. of soap, $4,100; tallow candles m'd, 2,000 lbs.; val. of tallow candles, $280; cap., $2,000; emp., 3.

"Chair and cabinet manufactories, 1; val. of chairs and cabinet-ware, $7,700; cap., $2,200; emp., 6.

"Tinware manufactories, 2; val. of tinware, $19,000; cap., $5,500; emp., 9.

"Currying establishments, 1; val. of leather curried, $18,000; cap., $6,000; emp., 7.

"Boots of all kinds m'd, 1,042,944 pairs; shoes of all kinds m'd, 5,048; val. of boots and shoes, $1,787,315.20; m. emp., 2,951; f. emp., 447.

"Establishments for m. of straw bonnets and hats, 1; straw bonnets m'd, 3,000; val., $1,436.25; m. emp., 1; f. emp., 2.

"Val. of building-stone quarried and prepared for building, $7,423; emp., 16.

"Val. of blocks and pumps m'd, $2,000; emp., 2.

"Corn and other brooms m'd, 6,780; val. of brooms, $850; emp., 2.

"Lasts m'd, 43,720; val., $11,030.

"Lumber prepared for market, 2,541,000 ft.; val. of lumber, $33,281; emp., 6.

"Firewood prepared for market, 3,119 cords; val. of firewood, $15,000; emp., 50.

"Horses, 365; val. of horses, $41,510; oxen over three years old, 116; steers under three years old, 56; val. of oxen and steers, $9,265; milch cows, 533; heifers, 37; val. of cows and heifers, $18,666.

"Butter, 19,467 lbs.; val. of butter, $4,866.75; cheese, 3,784 lbs.; val. of cheese, $302.72; honey, 583 lbs.; val. of honey, $104.94.

"Indian corn, 287 acres; Indian corn, per acre, 24⅞ bush.; val., $8,923.75.

"Rye, 26 acres; rye, per acre, 11 bush.; val., $429.

"Barley, 9 acres; barley, per acre, 19 bush.; val., $213.75.

"Oats, 61 acres; oats, per acre, 22 bush.; val., $805.20.

"Potatoes, 208 acres; potatoes, per acre, 100 bush.; val., $15,000.

"Onions, ¾ acre; onions, per acre, 433 bush.; val., $243.

"Turnips, cultivated as a field-crop, 5½ acres; turnips, per acre, 330 bush; val., $726.

"Carrots, 3 acres; carrots, per acre, 698 bush.; val., $523.50.

"Beets and other esculent vegetables, 15 acres; val., $523.50.

"All other grain or root crops, 12 acres; val., $1,200.

"English mowing, 1,782 acres; English hay, 1,582 tons; val., $31,640.

"Wet-meadow, or swale, hay, 479½ tons; val., $479.

"Apple-trees, cultivated for their fruit, 26,480; val., $6,345.

"Pear-trees, cultivated for their fruit, 2,106; val., $446.

"Cherry-trees, 2,682; val. of cherries, $1,108.

"Peach-trees, 4,527; val. of peaches, $2,174.

"Cranberries, 56½ acres; val., $4,072.

"Establishments for m. sashes, doors, and blinds, 1; cap., $900; val. m'd, $1,500; emp., 2.

"Establishments for m. of gas, 1; cap., $32,000; val. m'd, $6,000; emp., 4.

"Breweries, 1; cap, $2,000; beer m'd, 900 bbls.; val., $4,500; emp., 3.

"Bakeries, 1; cap., $6,000; flour consumed, 1,100 bbls.; val. of bread m'd, $15,000; emp., 11.

"Establishments for m. of boxes for boots, 3; cap., $4,500; val. of boxes m'd, $24,180; emp., 15.

"Swine raised, 647; val., $6,750.

"Val. of milk, $12,394."

In the census of 1865 we find the town to have increased its population to 9,108, its total valuation to $3,584,549, and its polls to 2,432. It had 134 farms, covering 7,353 acres, of which 2,377 acres were cultivated by 160 persons. It had meantime 2,117 acres of woodland, and 414 called unimprovable. The total value of its farming property was $542,168. It had 49 manufacturing establishments, mostly in the boot and shoe line, yet a few others of importance, operating on an invested capital of $687,482, working up $2,546,414 worth of stock per year, employing 2,814 operatives, and turning out goods to the value of $3,956,292.

Without descending into further detail, I may as well come directly to the census of 1875. This far transcends all its predecessors in comprehensiveness, method of arrangement, specification, and completeness. It shows a rapid and steady growth of the town in all the elements of municipal wealth, strength, and importance. She had

now a population of 9,818 souls, — 4,883 males and 4,935 females. Her total valuation was $5,069,863, and her total productiveness per year $4,425,866. Her dwellings numbered 1,549, her families 2,103, and her legal voters, native and naturalized, 2,128. I cannot present in a more intelligible and condensed form the interesting particulars embodied in this census than by copying several of its tables. I find no convicts numbered among our belongings. Paupers are set down at 34, — 19 males and 15 females. Under the head, "Classified Occupations," our general population is arranged as follows: "Government and Professional," 71 males and 62 females; "Domestic and Personal Office," 52 males and 2,363 females; "Trade and Transportation," 347 males and 13 females; "Agriculture, etc.," 259 males. Under the general head, "Selected Occupations" (Census, 1875, vol. i. p. 474), I quote in full: —

SELECTED OCCUPATIONS.

Males.

Clergymen	10	Cigar-makers	11
Lawyers	6	Curriers	8
Physicians	13	Hatters	18
Teachers	6	Iron-foundrymen	26
Barbers	9	Last-makers	9
Saloon-keepers	18	Machinists	174
Stable-keepers	8	Masons	28
Clerks	79	Painters	45
Expressmen	12	Spindle-makers	13
Merchants and traders	140	Stationary engineers	11
Railroad employees	23	Straw-hat makers	15
Salesmen	25	Stone-cutters	40
Teamsters	46	Stone-quarrymen	19
Farmers	145	Tailors	12
Farm-laborers	93	Tinsmiths	13
Hostlers	9	Wooden-box makers	19
Bakers	18	Laborers	105
Blacksmiths	25	Retired	11
Boot and shoe makers	1,378		
Carpenters	80		2,720

Females.

Teachers	57	Boot and shoe makers	92
Housewives	1,981	Dressmakers	62
Housekeepers	17	Milliners	23
House-work	176	Seamstresses	11
Domestic servants	155	Straw-hat makers	168
Nurses	12	Tailoresses	24
Washerwomen	12		2,802
Clerks	5		
Saleswomen	7	Total	5,522

[Telegraphers, printers, editors, phonographers, etc., not mentioned.]
(Census, 1875, vol. i. pp. 562, 563.)

FARM PROPERTY.

Farms. — 3 to 5 acres, 4; from 5 to 10 acres, 26; above 10 acres, 144; total, 174; value, $520,525. *Buildings.* — Houses, 180; barns, 170; sheds, 34; shops, 22; carriage-houses, 11; cider-mills, 3; corn-cribs, 5; grist-mill, 1; slaughter-houses, 5; ice-houses, 2; out-buildings, 8; total, 441; value, $227,100. *Land.* — Land under crops, 2,475¾ acres; value, $123,384; market-gardens, ¼ acre; value, $50; orchards (the land), 93¼ acres; value, $3,618; unimproved land, 3,211¼ acres; value, $95,661; woodland, 2,867½ acres; value, $70,709; total acres, 8,648; total value, $293,425. *Fruit-trees and Vines.* — Apple-trees, 13,971; cherry-trees, 4 (many omissions); peach-trees, 483; pear-trees, 1,402; plum-trees, 7; quince-trees, 12; grapevines, 2,299; total value, $20,425.

Domestic Animals.

	Number.	Value.		Number.	Value.
Bees (swarms of)	40	$186 00	Horses	167	$19,955 00
Bulls	10	302 00	Lambs	2	10 00
Calves	64	777 00	Milch-cows	336	15,705 00
Colts	16	1,895 00	Oxen	39	3,115 00
Dogs	70	807 00	Pigeons	95	20 00
Ducks	14	7 00	Pigs	96	522 00
Geese	8	16 00	Sheep	8	52 00
Goats	17	17 00	Steers	2	75 00
Guinea-fowls	3	3 00	Turkeys	6	7 00
Heifers	41	892 00			
Hens and chickens	3,738	2,213 00			$49,185 00
Hogs	153	2,609 00			

Aggregates. — Land, $293,425; buildings, $227,100; fruit-trees and vines, $20,425; domestic animals, $49,185; agricultural implements in use, $11,200; total value of farm property, $601,335. (Census, 1875, vol. iii. p. 587.)

DOMESTIC AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Domestic Products (for sale).

Butter	Pounds	9,134	$3,250 00
Cider	Gallons	8,900	950 00
Firewood	Cords	2,020	10,916 00
Hoops	– –	50,000	400 00
Lumber	Feet	400,000	6,000 00
Posts	– –	50	8 00
Railroad sleepers	– –	1,351	777 00
Wine	Gallons	1,010	1,510 00

Domestic Products (for use).

Butter	Pounds	11,291	$4,401 00
Cheese	Pounds	177	29 00
Cider	Gallons	17,467	1,920 00
Cloth	Yards	50	6 00
Dried fruit	Pounds	1,630	219 00
Firewood	Cords	699	3,665 00

Agricultural Products.

Apples	Bushels	13,649	$8,158 00
Beans	Bushels	78	98 00
Beans, string and shell	Bushels	58	71 00
Beef	Pounds	58,100	5,810 00
Beets	Bushels	600	372 00
Blackberries	Quarts	128	13 00
Blueberries	Quarts	70	7 00
Buckwheat	Bushels	3	5 00
Butternuts	Bushels	2	1 00
Cabbage	Heads	30,815	2,131 00
Carrots	Bushels	265	183 00
Cherries	Bushels	14	28 00
Chickens, dressed	Pounds	5,101	1,280 00
Corn, green	Bushels	402	402 00
Corn, Indian	Bushels	1,792	1,790 00
Corn, pop	Bushels	23	65 00
Crab-apples	Bushels	3	8 00
Cranberries	Bushels	666	1,808 00
Currants	Quarts	100	10 00
Eggs	Dozens	16,331	4,899 00
Fodder, corn	Tons	59	1,103 00
Geese, dressed	Pounds	160	37 00
Grapes	Bushels	391	762 00
Hay, English	Tons	1,428	33,644 00
Hay, meadow	Tons	311	3,438 00
Hay, clover	Tons	4	90 00
Hay, millet	Tons	17	352 00
Hides	– –	80	330 00

Honey	Pounds	157	48 00
Huckleberries	Quarts	1,720	152 00
Mangos	Bushels	4	2 00
Manure	Cords	1,173	7,040 00
Melons	– –	1,500	23 00
Milk	Gallons	94,334	20,753 00
Oats	Bushels	183	133 00
Onions	Bushels	657	682 00
Peaches	Bushels	99	267 00
Pears	Bushels	217	443 00
Pease, green	Bushels	204	337 00
Plums	Bushels	12	30 00
Pork	Pounds	50,642	5,064 00
Potatoes, Irish	Bushels	15,041	11,727 00
Pumpkins	Pounds	1,200	12 00
Quinces	Bushels	6	15 00
Raspberries	Quarts	780	129 00
Rye	Bushels	245	245 00
Squashes	Pounds	3,950	91 00
Straw	Tons	5	104 00
Strawberries	Quarts	4,300	1,086 00
Tomatoes	Bushels	12	12 00
Trees, fruit, in nurseries	– –	–	200 00
Turnips	Bushels	2,250	1,066 00
Veal	Pounds	10,019	1,202 00
Vines, in nurseries	– –	30	30 00
Wool, other than Saxony and Merino,	Pounds	10	3 00

Aggregates.

Domestic products, for sale	$23,811 00
Domestic products, for use	10,240 00
Hay, 1,760 tons	37,524 00
Other agricultural products	80,267 00
Total	$151,842 00

(Census, 1875, vol. iii. p. 223.)

MANUFACTURES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS.

Names of Industries.	Establishments.	Capital Invested.	Value of Goods and Work.
Beer, spruce	1	$1,000 00	$1,200 00
Boots and shoes	21	710,800 00	2,741,935 00
Boxes, packing	1	20,000 00	30,500 00
Boxes, packing and washing-machine	1	10,000 00	16,500 00
Bread and pastry	1	10,000 00	48,000 00
Buildings	3	6,050 00	49,000 00

Names of Industries.	Establishments.	Capital Invested.	Value of Goods and Work.
Builders' finish, etc.	1	6,000 00	5,000 00
Builders' finish and church furniture	1	9,500 00	26,628 00
Burial-cases	1	2,000 00	2,000 00
Carriages, wagons, and sleighs	3	6,600 00	7,140 00
Cigars	1	5,000 00	24,000 00
Clothing, men's custom-made	6	14,400 00	44,578 00
Clothing, women's	2	2,900 00	4,300 00
Dies and cutters	1	7,000 00	15,252 00
Furniture and tinware	1	15,000 00	12,000 00
Gas	1	8,000 00	16,235 00
Harnesses and saddles	2	750 00	3,789 00
Hats, silk	1	200 00	500 00
Heels, boot and shoe	2	8,500 00	21,728 00
Ice-cream and confectionery	1	2,000 00	3,563 00
Iron castings	2	24,000 00	34,750 00
Lasts	1	11,000 00	16,000 00
Leather	1	10,000 00	46,658 00
Leather belting	1	15,000 00	3,500 00
Machinery, boot and shoe	3	19,000 00	39,250 00
Machinery, cotton	2	140,000 00	212,000 00
Meal	1	5,000 00	42,900 00
Nails, boot and shoe	1	22,000 00	45,000 00
Needles, sewing-machine	2	4,500 00	12,500 00
Newspapers and job-printing	2	16,000 00	5,200 00
Photographs	2	4,500 00	6,500 00
Picture-frames, screens, etc.	1	500 00	2,875 00
Shirts	1	70 00	225 00
Soft soap	1	300 00	1,000 00
Spindles, spinning-rings, etc.	2	120,000 00	258,000 00
Straw goods	1	30,000 00	190,000 00
Teeth, artificial	3	1,650 00	4,500 00
Tinware	2	1,900 00	3,350 00
Occupations.			
Blacksmithing	8	3,800 00	17,007 00
Bleaching and dyeing	2	1,090 00	1,900 00
Bronzing	1	5 00	25 00
Butchering	4	12,000 00	64,868 00
Carpentry and joinery	4	1,915 00	7,650 00
Carriage-painting	1	150 00	500 00
Carriage-trimming	1	200 00	500 00
Carpet, feather, and hair cleansing	1	50 00	50 00
Carpet-sewing	2	20 00	600 00
Coppersmithing	1	3 00	15 00
Chair cane-seating	1	–	50 00
China-decorating	1	–	25 00
Clock-repairing	4	200 00	700 00
Clothes-cleaning	2	10 00	300 00
Cobbling	5	300 00	2,325 00
Draughting and designing	2	1,050 00	650 00

Names of Industries.	Establishments.	Capital Invested.	Value of Goods and Work.
Dress and cloak making	5	520 00	5,825 00
Embroidery stamping	1	60 00	75 00
Engraving	2	10 00	300 00
Furniture-painting	1	200 00	1,500 00
Gilding	2	1,900 00	3,000 00
Glazing	4	505 00	830 00
Gunsmithing	2	35 00	75 00
Ham-curing	1	200 00	400 00
Harness and saddle repairing	3	350 00	1,900 00
Hat and fur repairing	1	25 00	600 00
Instruments, musical, repairing	1	25 00	150 00
Jewelry repairing	4	80 00	475 00
Locksmithing	1	18 00	100 00
Lumber sawing and planing	1	–	2,500 00
Machinists' work	3	1,300 00	13,435 00
Masoning, etc.	1	–	3,290 00
Millinery	8	6,650 00	16,100 00
Painting	6	8,880 00	23,650 00
Paper and wood hanging	4	50 00	2,800 00
Plumbing	2	150 00	950 00
Roofing	1	50 00	1,000 00
Sewing-machine repairing	1	300 00	900 00
Stair-building	1	–	3,000 00
Steam and gas fitting	1	5,000 00	3,000 00
Stencil-cutting	1	20 00	250 00
Tinsmithing, etc.	5	1,450 00	3,950 00
Umbrella repairing	1	15 00	80 00
Upholstering	3	8,300 00	4,980 00
Varnishing and polishing	2	325 00	250 00
Watch-repairing	4	900 00	3,600 00
Wheelwrighting	4	850 00	5,750 00
Whitening and coloring	1	15 00	50 00
Aggregates.			
Manufactures (goods made)	81	$1,271,120 00	$3,998,056 00
Occupations (work done)	118	59,576 00	201,930 00
(Census, 1875, vol. ii. pp. 160, 161.)	199	$1,330,696 00	$4,199,986 00

I find two granite quarries credited in this census to Milford, which ought to be mentioned in this connection. They are reported to have each an area of 21 acres, a capital invested of $14,000, a working force of 75 employees, and to turn out productions to the value of $74,038. Their totals must therefore be these figures doubled. I am not informed as to the precise position of these two quarries, as

several have been opened at different times in the north-easterly section of the town. One or more of these, situated nearest the Milford Branch of the Boston & Albany R. Rd., has been worked by the corporation of that road; and I infer that one, if not both, of those reported in 1875 must have belonged to that corporation. Others, farther west, had been opened, and were being worked at the same time: perhaps one of these got into the report. Latterly a promising joint-stock association, entitled, "The Milford Quarrying Company," has been formed, with a capital of $50,000. It was incorporated under the laws of Connecticut, May 21, 1879; Orison Underwood, first director and president. Isaac S. Claflin, William H. Floyd, Richard Carroll, and F. Rafferty, complete the board of directors. The par value of shares is $50. They own two quarries, — one a little east of Charles River, and the other a little west. Both are near the Hopkinton and Milford Branch of the Providence & Worcester R. Road, one mile and a half north of Milford Centre, twenty-four miles from Providence, twenty from Worcester, and thirty from Boston. The more easterly has an area of ten acres, and the westerly one of five or six acres. Mr. J. H. McChesney, of New York, a competent expert, who was called on to examine and report the qualities, etc., of this granite, speaks in the very highest terms of the westerly quarry, saying, "I regard it as one of the most beautiful and attractive granites ever seen for cemetery purposes, and indeed for any ornamental or architectural purpose." He rates the other as of a lower grade, yet eminently valuable for foundations and solid masonry in general. His report presents a showing highly encouraging for the new company.

This seems to be the place to note the amount of power used in town to drive machinery. This is specified in vol. ii. p. 333; which, however, I am told on good authority, is much below the present status. It is as follows: viz., 17 engines of 790 actual horse-power, and 6 water-wheels of 165 nominal horse-power. Since writing the foregoing a competent examiner says that at present there are 26 engines of 673 actual horse-power, and 7 water-wheels of 240 actual horse-power.

Among the principal manufacturing establishments now or quite recently in operation, I may mention several, without disparagement to others which I must leave unnoticed. In the Centre, mostly in the boot and shoe line, or some correlative business, are those of Clement, Colburn, & Co.; Johnson, Rust, & Co.; Claflin & Thayer; Foster & Quiggle; Houghton & Coolidge; Rafferty & Collins; John P. Daniels; Elbridge Mann; Elliot Alden; Bainbridge Hayward;

George Thayer; Estabrook, Wires, & Co. (clinching screws); Green Brothers (heels); and Benjamin H. Spaulding (straw goods). Most of these occupy capacious buildings, and possess more or less effective machinery. At Hopedale are extensive conveniences for the manufacture of cotton and woollen machinery, etc. George Draper & Sons, in connection with several corporations and individual operators, are successfully prosecuting this general line of business in its numerous branches to their own enrichment and that of the town.

The history of all this enterprise, and its growth to present dimensions, may be briefly sketched. As has already been intimated, our population evinced an early predilection for mechanical pursuits; but they seem to have contented themselves with the old-fashioned ordinary branches, common to New England, for a long time. At first many of them were entitled "weaver" in legal instruments. Just what this calling was, and what its importance, I am not certain, but presume it must have been a trade requiring considerable skill and practice, probably on account of the complex figures wrought into the texture of our ancestral bed-spreads, table-cloths, and other elegant articles, in which the more favored families of former times delighted. Blacksmiths, carpenters, tanners, shoemakers, etc., were numerous enough to meet ordinary demands. Clothiers came in later with their carding, fulling, dyeing, and dressing appliances. The first of these in Milford Centre was Nathan Parkhurst, who, having learned his trade in Connecticut, set up the business on the Parkhurst water-privilege, just below the Charles-river Bridge over Main Street, about the year 1795 or 1796. The first mention of a shoemaker's shop on our records occurs in the laying or relaying out of what is now called Howard Street, in March, 1789. This was in the days of Warfield and Joel Hayward. There may have been other such shops; but probably they were very small, in which only neighborhood custom-work was done. But somehow this avocation gradually became a favorite one. Arial Bragg may justly be called the father of the boot and shoe manufacture in this town. This will be obvious to any attentive reader of his "Autobiography," which he published in his old age. He was a man of great inborn enterprise and energy, who mastered many depressing circumstances of early life, and made an honorable mark in business. He learned his trade in Brookline, Mass., as early as 1791; at which time, he says, there was not a shoe-store in Boston: and it was an almost unheard-of thing for one shoemaker to hire another, — i.e., to employ journeymen. He was probably the first one to do so in this town. He worked up into its north-east corner, out of the borders of Holliston, in the year 1795. Strug-

gling through many adversities onward to 1819, he then managed the largest establishment of the time; which, however, had only a shop some thirty by twenty feet in dimensions, two stories high, which he says "cost $260." Several compeers had now started business in the same line on a smaller scale, chief among whom were Lee Claflin, also a tanner, and Rufus Chapin, in a little twelve by ten feet shop. These pioneers operated at first on a very small scale, finding a market for their goods in the neighboring towns, but chiefly in Boston and Providence. Col. Bragg quaintly describes his first marketing in Providence, in 1793, while in Holliston, near Milford line, as follows:—

"Hired a horse for fifty cents, bought a bag of hay of John Claflin [grandfather of our Aaron] for ten cents; and with his twenty-two pair of shoes in saddle-bags, and his bag of hay bound on behind him, before the sun had risen was off for Providence; stopped one-half mile North of Providence bridge; gave hay to his horse, and with one pair of shoes in his hand, and the saddle-bags on his back, marched on. When going on to the bridge saw two men standing by the wayside, when one of them called out, 'Have you shoes to sell?' The response was, I have. 'How many?' Twenty-two pairs. 'What do you ask?' One dollar per pair. Looking at them, said he, 'I will give you twenty-one dollars and fifty cents.' You shall have them. Took the money, returned to his horse, found him refreshed, when he mounted and rode direct to Mr. Draper's, in Attleborough, of whom he had heard when in Brookline. Bought six Calfskins; rode to Thurston's Tavern in Franklin, gave his horse the hay that remained, and arrived home one hour after sundown the same day; paid three weeks' board, and for his horse, and found that eight dollars would remain for his three weeks' work; which was far better than seven dollars per month at Brookline, where the inhabitants thought it beneath their dignity to hold conversation with their hired help, or a journeyman shoemaker." (Memoirs, pp. 40, 41.)

Of course this horseback and saddle-bags peddling was not long in getting into boxes and on to wagon-wheels. But the above extract will serve to impress the reader with a sharp sense of the contrast between those early days of small things, and the present car-loads of cased boots weekly going from our huge factories to the distant marts of the country. Let not the pioneers be forgotten. While this leading manufacture was growing up, other enterprises were attempted in town, though with less success. Between 1810 and '14 Thomas and William Coker, from Newbury, started the building of the then new-fashioned bellows-top chaises; and a little later wire-drawing. Peter Rockwood, as early as 1809, established himself in wheelwrighting. Gershom Nelson and his son Samuel had, before this, built the

first horse-wagons used in town, of that stanch old type famous for white-oak springs and enduring strength. William Godfrey, another father of Milford enterprise, set up the cotton-plush hat business in 1820, which had a prosperous run for a short time. In 1822 he introduced and encouraged the tinware manufacture by Lewis Johnson. About the same time he established a line of stage-coaches between Mendon, Milford, and Boston, and afterwards, lines extending to Hartford and Norwich, Conn., connecting the same with steamers running from those cities direct to New York; thus making *through* lines from Boston *viâ* this town to New York, greatly to the public convenience. In 1826 an important carriage, wheelwright, and harness manufactory went into operation under his auspices; also, in 1830, the currying business and leather trade. Meantime two small manufactories of cotton and woollen goods had been started in town: one in Bungay, so called by Ebenezer Hunt as early, perhaps, as 1827; and the other, not long after, in the Centre, by Stephen R. and Parmenas P. Parkhurst. This manufacture had a run of several years in both places, but was doomed to extinction. Pecuniary losses, fires, etc., desolated them. During this general period a succession of traders flourished in town, chief among whom were Benjamin Godfrey, Pearley Hunt, John Claflin, jun., and their successors in the Centre, and Samuel Penniman and his at South Milford.

Among the principal successors of the fore-mentioned pioneers in the boot and shoe manufacture down to the present occupants of the field, the following may be named: John Mason, Eleazer Parkhurst, Luther Claflin, Henry Ball, several sons of Arial Bragg, Homer T. Ball, Seth P. Carpenter, Chapin & Mann, C. C. Daniels, Obed, Austin, Edward and David Daniels, John Goldsmith, Hunt & Cheney, Jeremiah Kelley, Cephas Lawrence, O. B. Parkhurst, Andrew J. Sumner, Orison Underwood, Otis Thayer, Dexter Walker, Silas Tingley, Emory Walker, Samuel Walker, Geo. S. Bowker, Washington Ellis, Elias Whitney, Amasa Parkhurst, Wm. H. Sadler. Curriers and leather dealers, Godfrey & Mayhew. These names and several others appear in the little primer directories of 1846 and '47, issued by Wm. A. Hayward, — the first things of the kind ever printed in town. A few of them have continued to the present day; but the majority have either died, left town, or ceased from business in this line. In the Directory, published by A. D. Sargeant for 1856, I find advertisements as follows: "Eames & Hathaway, manufacturers of all kinds of machines for making boots." "Godfrey, Colburn, & Co., boot manufacturers, 47 Hanover St., Boston, Central St., Milford, Mass." "A. C. Mayhew & Co., manufacturers and wholesale

dealers in boots and leather, Milford, Mass., and No. 9 Elm St., Boston." "O. Underwood, Battles Brothers, boot manufacturers, Pearl St., Milford, Mass." "Aaron Claflin, manufacturer and wholesale dealer in boots, shoes, and leather, 94 North St., Boston; manufactory, Central St., Milford, Mass." "A. B. Vant, boot manufacturer, Pearl St., Milford, Mass." "Calvin Barber, boot manufacturer, Central St., Milford, Mass." "Comstock, Cole, & Co., commission merchants, and wholesale dealers in boots, shoes, and leather, 89 and 91 Pearl St., Boston, Central St., Milford, Mass." "Elbridge Mann, manufacturer and dealer in boots, shoes, and leather, No. 76 Pearl St., Boston; manufactory, Main St., Milford, Mass." "George Jones & Son, boot manufacturers, Charles St., Milford, Mass., etc." Then follow, of the same general tenor, the advertisements by Austin Daniels, Mellen C. Bragg, James H. Barker, Alden & Harrington, Otis Thayer, H. O'Brien, Dennis Eames, Obed Daniels, H. T. Ball, B. Hayward, John Goldsmith, Bragg & Birch, Willard Bragg, Elias Whitney, Cole & Brother, Nathan Doty, etc. Our next Directory, by C. C. Drew, appeared on a much larger scale in 1869, thirteen years later. In that some of the foregoing names are missing, several are continued, and some new ones take position. Among the latter are George B. Blake & Co., 81 Central St.; F. A. Bragg, Braggville; D. G. Chapin, 72 Central St.; Clement, Colburn, & Co., North Bow St.; Claflin & Thayer, 66 Central St.; Cochrane & Thayer, 50 Central St.; C. B. Godfrey & Co., 52 Central St.; Munroe A. Goldsmith, Purchase St.; Henry & Daniels, Central, near Depot; E. Mann & Son, 229 Main St.; A. J. Sumner, 66 Purchase St.; Zimri Thurber, 62 Purchase St.; Underwood Sons & Fisher, Pearl St.; Walker, Johnson, & Co., North Bow St., corner of Jefferson. Then follow numerous collateral and kindred advertisers, whose names and branches I omit. I have thus partially traced the chain of actors in this enterprising manufacture from humble pioneer times to the present, so that the reader, in spite of changes and my omissions, can form a tolerable idea of its progress.

I will add some statistics from a few of our larger establishments, just to show the magnitude of their recent operations. Some of these are in the direct line of the manufacture, and a few of them correlative.

Clement, Colburn, & Co. are the leading firm. They manufacture men's, youths', and boys' kip and calf boots, also California mining-boots. They have ample buildings and machinery, employ during the busy season 500 hands, all males, work up a proportionate amount of stock, and turn out annually 20,000 cases of boots (12 pairs to the

case), first quality of goods, worth over $500,000. Average number of months given employment, 11; average wages paid, $1.75 to $2 per day.

Johnson, Rust, & Co. (formerly Walker, Johnson, & Co., who started 1864) manufacture numerous styles of finest quality goods, calf and kip, for Southern, Western, and the New-England markets, also a superior article of Hungarian, nailed, screwed, and quilted boots for miners, supplying large orders from Colorado, Utah, California, and New Mexico. Their main building is 85 by 40 ft., and 5 stories high, with ample steam-power and improved machinery. They have several subsidiary buildings for their employees. They employ 260 workmen, and pay out annually for labor $100,000. They work up per year 70,000 sides of kip leather, valued at $125,000; 5,000 sides oak sole leather, valued at $33,000; 12,000 sides red sole leather, valued at $42,000, and additional stock valued at $25,000. The resulting product is 12,000 cases of boots, valued at $325,000. At the same time they run a factory at Randolph, Mass., in which they employ 100 workmen, and manufacture a high grade of hand-screwed, machine-sewed, and pegged calf boots and shoes. They have a store at 116 Summer St., Boston, where they sell largely, not only their own goods, but on commission for other manufacturers.

Houghton, Coolidge, & Co., of Boston, Moses Walker, superintendent, run a factory 90 by 40 ft., 5 stories, with an appendant shop 35 by 20 ft., 2 stories, and all helpful machinery. They manufacture wax and kip boots, employ over 500 operatives during the busy season, pay them $100,000 wages per annum, work up stock to the value of $250,000, and turn out 17,000 cases, valued at $350,000.

Claflin & Thayer run a factory 115 by 42 ft., 4 stories, have 250 employees, manufacture 120,000 pairs boots and shoes valued at $200,000, and give 12 months' employment. They have the usual modern facilities of power and machinery.

Elbridge Mann operates a factory 172 by 36 ft., 5 stories, with a boiler-house 30 by 20 ft., and an engine of 20 horse-power. He manufactures boots and shoes of ordinary quality, employs 200 hands, works up over $80,000 worth of stock, and turns out an annual product of 10,000 to 15,000 cases, valued at $250,000. Since burnt out.

John P. Daniels runs a factory 115 by 30 ft., three stories, having power and machinery to the value of $5,000; makes kip and thick boots; pays out to operatives $50,000 per year; works up $80,000 worth of stock, and produces goods to the value of about $135,000.

I have not deemed it necessary to procure statistics from several other enterprising manufacturers, because the foregoing is sufficient

to show the amazing contrast between the humble beginning and present magnitude of the boot and shoe business in our town. I will, however, subjoin a somewhat interesting account of two correlative establishments, which have grown into importance within the last few years.

The first of these is that of Estabrook, Wires, & Co., for the manufacture of their "clinching screw" and various other useful articles. Competent judges have pronounced the whole unique and unrivalled, in general and in detail. The design of this patent clinching screw is to fasten boot and shoe soles, which it does to perfection. These enterprising manufacturers invented and patented their screw some years ago, and for a while executed their work chiefly by hand; but such was the demand created by its extraordinary merits as fast as known, that they soon applied their inventive genius to the production of the machinery necessary to more rapid execution. They perfected such machinery, and can now exhibit to the admiration of beholders a series of automatic workers that not only demonstrate their own superior mechanical ingenuity, but enable them to fill promptly their constantly multiplying orders from all parts of the country. The usual average of each machine is one hundred and fifty screws per minute, with the capability of doubling that number if desired. The superior excellence of these screws has rendered their manufacture a triumphant success. Even the War Department of the United States, having thoroughly tested them, indorses and patronizes them. Besides this leading production of their establishment, Messrs. Estabrook & Wires turn out first-rate crimping-brakes, forms, sinks, tables, sticks, and steels, seam rubber legs, boot and shoe trees, turning-jacks, etc., all in considerable quantities, and bearing the warranty stamp of their names. The driving force for their machinery is a steam-engine of thirty-five horse-power, and all their buildings and appliances are in prime condition.

The other rather notable establishment, in the same neighborhood, is Greene Brothers' heel factory. It belongs to Messrs. Geo. M. and Randall B. Greene. They manufacture boot and shoe heels, and are said to have the largest concern of this kind in the United States. These heels are made of upper-leather remnants, purchased wherever obtainable, and brought in immense quantities by railroad-cars to their factory-doors. They turn out 1,500,000 pairs of heels annually. By ingenious processes they form these heels, extract from them all their greasy substance, and utilize, in one way or another, all the scrap-leather that comes into their possession. The most worthless remains are used as fuel to feed their engines. They find an ample

market in Boston, Lynn, and numerous boot and shoe towns, for all the heels they can manufacture. In two recent months they sold to soap and candle makers no less than 112,000 lbs. of their extracted grease, — a mere incidental of their operations. They began business in 1867 with 4 employees, and have now 100.

There is another branch of business that ought not to be passed over in silence. I refer to the straw-goods manufacture. Samuel Penniman, Jr., *alias* Maj. Saml., a man of sterling enterprise at So. Milford, introduced this business as early, I think, as between 1810 and '12, not much later starting his Bellingham cotton and woollen factory. His store was a central depot for straw braid to a wide circle of population at least ten miles in diameter. He purchased largely, and stimulated thousands of fingers to braid for him. He manufactured straw bonnets, but on how large a scale I am not well enough informed to state. He died in the prime of middle age, and was succeeded in trade by his son and Samuel Leeds. I believe his successors made the same manufacture one of their specialties for several years. Later, John Claflin, Esq., and his son Aaron, carried it on to some extent, with Nahum Legg as their mechanical superintendent. Still later, Joel Holbrook and wife, in the Bear Hill district, pursued it on a moderate scale. Within the last fifteen years it has been prosecuted with various success by Benj. H. Spaulding, with and without co-partners. At length he has raised it to such a height of importance that he operates a factory 100 by 40 feet, several stories high, well supplied with effective machinery, employs about 400 hands of both sexes, and manufactures goods to the value of $200,000.

We come finally to the manufacture of cotton and woollen machinery at Hopedale. This bright and beautiful village is situated a mile and a half westerly from the town centre on Mill River, toward the frontier of Mendon. In its whole length and breadth it must have nearly one hundred dwelling-houses and six hundred inhabitants. It was founded in 1842 by the Hopedale Community, grew thriftily till that Community relinquished its unitary arrangements in 1856, and still more thriftily from that time to the present. From the beginning, its leading people have distinguished themselves more and more by mechanical genius and manufacturing enterprise. Here are four strong firms operating, besides their minor subsidiaries, — all more or less connected in their pecuniary interests and co-operating in their industrial results. These firms are: (1) George Draper & Sons, whose special province includes a host of valuable improvements in cotton and woollen machinery, such as temples, Sawyer spindles, Draper's

filling spinner, double spinning-rings, steps and bolsters, patent motions for looms, Thompson oil-cans, shuttle-guides, etc. (2) The Hopedale Machine Co., manufacturers of improvements in cotton machinery, special machinists' tools, patent warpers, spoolers with patent steps and bolsters, etc.; George Draper, president; William F. Draper, treasurer; Joseph B. Bancroft, superintendent. (3) Dutcher Temple Co., sole manufacturers of Dutcher's patent temples, Kayser's patent temples, Murkland's carpet temples, etc.; George Draper, president; F. J. Dutcher, treasurer and secretary; W. W. Dutcher, agent. (4) The Hopedale Furnace Co., whose business is to manufacture and furnish to order iron castings of all descriptions.

The Hopedale Machine Co. occupies the most northerly of the water-privileges, and has a principal shop 220 feet in length by 66 in width, and three stories in height. Its machinery is driven by a motor-force derived from a Leffel turbine wheel, and, when scarcity of water requires it, by a steam-engine of 50 horse-power. The next privilege below is occupied by the Dutcher Temple Co. and its adjuncts, with ample buildings, water and steam power, and many ingenious contrivances (some of them wonderfully constructed) to facilitate its operations. The foundery, with all its appurtenances, stands closely adjacent on the west side of the canal, and the ring-shop only a few feet south of the temple-shop. Nearly a mile further south is another valuable privilege, with a capacious shop chiefly devoted to the elaboration of the famous Sawyer spindle, owned by Dea. A. A. Westcott, and managed in connection with the interests of Geo. Draper & Sons. The dams, ponds, canals, anti-fire apparatus, offices, supplementary shops, outbuildings, and manifold conveniences up and down the river, can be appreciated only by judicious observers.

A vast majority of the cotton-mills in the United States, and many woollen-mills, have adopted these Hopedale improvements to a greater or less extent; and their proprietors are reaping therefrom a rich harvest of profits. Foremost among them are the temple, Sawyer spindle, the Rabbeth spindle, and the adjustable spinning-rings, — three notable patents. The temples are in universal use in the United States, Mexico, South America, and to a considerable extent in Europe. Leading manufacturers have demonstrated to their satisfaction that the spindle yields an enormous saving in power, labor, cost, etc. The number of these spindles already introduced and in use is over 1,200,000. The rings, too, have proved a great success. The number of these furnished and in satisfactory use exceeds

BANK BLOCK.

1,500,000. But the multitude of less conspicuous articles sent forth from these Hopedale laboratories are distributed far and wide over the country, and roll up a formidable aggregate of mechanical production, usefulness, and wealth. In good times all these establishments together employ nearly 350 hands, meet a monthly pay-roll of $12,000, and make aggregate sales to the amount of more than $500,000 per annum. The different kinds of machines and appliances manufactured here, with and without patent securities, must number at least 100. Since the foregoing was penned, these Hopedale manufactures have vastly increased with improvements made by new inventions, large structures erected, and a continual expansion of operations.

Milford Centre is, of course, the commanding locality, both of population and business. There the three railroads have their *foci*, the stores distribute their various merchandise most extensively, the boot-factories abound, and spacious buildings afford their manifold accommodations. Of blocks distinctively so styled, and kindred buildings, there are the following: Arcade block, 95 to 101 Main St.; Bank block, Main; Bay State block, 102 to 108 Main; Blunt's block, corner Franklin; Central building, 86 Main; Church block, 43, 45, 47, 49 Main; Exchange block, Main, corner Exchange; Gleason's building, School, corner Spruce; Grant block, 174 Main; Hayward's Exchange, 137, 139, 141 Main; Irving block, 143, 145, 147 Main; Jefferson block, 90, 92, 94, 96 Main; Lincoln block, School, corner Pine; Mechanics' block, 138, 140, 142 Main; Phenix building, 3, 5, 7 Main; Thayer's block, Main; Union block, 73, 75, 77, 79 Main; and Washington block, 150, 152 Main.

There are the two banks, — the Milford National, organized March, 1865, with a capital of $250,000, and the Home National, organized May, 1872, with a capital of $130,000; also the Savings Bank, incorporated in 1851, — a solid and reliable institution; also the Fire Insurance Co., in successful operation. There are the chief market-places, lawyer's offices, judicial resorts, municipal headquarters, the highest educational privileges, the public library, the lecture-halls, the principal churches, the places of amusement, and now, most pretentious of all, the new Music Hall. There, too, is the telegraph office, some twenty-five years in operation, and also its youthful rival, the telephone establishment. There is the "Milford Journal" office, and our other chief printing-houses; and there we find the seats of our numerous fraternal, charitable, and reformatory associations, the residences of our physicians, surgeon-dentists, and official authorities. There, indeed, cluster most, though not all, the fruits of the town's enterprise, wealth, intelligence, and general progress.

CHAPTER XIV.

TOWN BY-LAWS, LAWSUITS, CRIMINALITY, ETC.

By-Laws of the Town. — Why, how, and when established; copied in Full. — Remarks on their Enforcement and General Operation.

Important Lawsuits and Reports of the Same. — Compiled and prepared for this Work by Thomas G. Kent, Esq., with a Brief Introduction and Explanatory Notes by the Author. — Some Historical Facts and Interesting Legal Adjudications presented by Mr. Kent.

The Criminal Status of Milford since a Town. — The Population shown to have always been comparatively free from Capital Crimes and Gross Misdemeanors, though with enough of Offences and Disorders to deplore.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN.

I SUPPOSE these By-Laws are substantially the same as those of most large towns in the Commonwealth, and chiefly borrowed from older approved codes. They were rendered necessary by similar causes as elsewhere; and, having been legally established in 1871, were published in pamphlet form to the extent of several hundred copies. To preserve them in more permanent form for use and reference, I incorporate them into this volume *verbatim* and entire. Those relating to "Truant Children," etc., adopted in 1864, are also given, as in the aforesaid pamphlet.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, ss.

At the Superior Court, begun and holden at Worcester, within and for the County of Worcester, for Criminal Business, on the second Monday of May, being the eighth day of said month, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and until the nineteenth day of said month,

By the Honorable

FRANCIS H. DEWEY,
One of the Justices of said Court,

and on the twenty-second day of May, A.D. 1871, and during the remainder of said term,

By the Honorable

ROBERT C. PITMAN,
One of the Justices of said Court.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD.

"1. If any person shall revel, use obscene language, quarrel or commit any manner of mischief, or otherwise behave in a disorderly manner in any street, highway or gangway, or in any building or other public place in said town to the disturbance or annoyance of the peaceable inhabitants thereof, or any portion of them, or shall aid, assist, encourage or promote the same to be done by any other person or persons, he shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than twenty dollars.

"2. If any person shall fire or discharge any gun, fowling piece or fire-arm, or make any bonfire or other fire in any street or public place in said town, he shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than twenty dollars.

"3. If any person shall set fire to any fire-works, composed of gun-powder, fulminating powder, or spirits of turpentine, or other combustible matter, as an ingredient, or shall throw any such lighted fire-works without license of the Selectmen first obtained therefor, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offence, not less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars.

"4. If any person shall ride, drive or lead any animal, or move or trundle any vehicle upon any sidewalk in said town, except light carriages for the conveyance of children, unless for the purpose of necessarily crossing the same, or who shall allow any animal or vehicle belonging to him or under his care to stand on such sidewalk, or who shall saw, split, or cut any fire wood or lumber on such sidewalk, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"5. If any person shall suffer or permit any horse or other animal, carriage, or vehicle of any description, belonging to him, or under his care, to stand or stop upon any cross walk in said town, for any other purpose except the taking up or setting down of passengers, or for any longer time than shall be necessary for such purpose, he shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"6. If any person shall place or cause to be placed, or shall suspend, or cause to be suspended from any house, shop, store, lot or place, over any street, any goods, wares, or merchandise whatsoever, or any other thing, so that the same shall extend or project into the public highway more than one foot, unless the same shall be at least eight feet above such street or highway, shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars.

"7. No awning or sign shall be placed or continued over such sidewalk, unless the supports and every part of such awning or sign shall be at least eight feet above the sidewalk, without the written permission of the Selectmen therefor, which shall state the time such obstruction may be allowed, and every person who shall violate the provisions of this section shall forfeit and pay a fine not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"8. Whenever any such sidewalk becomes obstructed, or made impassable by reason of the erecting or repairing of any building, or of the doing of any work, the person doing or causing the same to be done, shall place

or cause to be placed a good and convenient temporary walk around such obstructions. Every violation of the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"9. If three or more persons shall stand in a group or near to each other, on any sidewalk in such a manner as to obstruct a free passage for foot passengers, after a request to move on, made by any police officer or constable, they shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars each.

"10. If any person shall play at ball, or throw balls or stones or snow-balls or foot balls, or throw any missiles by hand or otherwise, within any of the streets or public places of said town of Milford, shall be fined not less than one dollar, nor more than five dollars.

"11. If any owner or person having for a time the use of any horse or other animal, shall ride, drive, or permit the same to go at an immoderate rate, so as to endanger persons standing or passing in said streets, highways or public places in said town, every person so offending therein, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence not less than five dollars, or more than twenty dollars. Provided further, that all unnecessary riding or driving any horse or other animals, at a faster rate than eight miles an hour, shall be considered a violation of this By-Law.

"12. If any person shall throw or deposit, or cause to be thrown or deposited in any street, highway, or public place, any coal dust, soot, ashes, cinders, shavings, hair, shreds, manure, oyster, clam or lobster shells, or any animal or vegetable matter, or substance whatever, he shall be fined not less than one dollar, or more than twenty dollars.

"13. If any person shall coast or run down in, into, across, or along, any of the streets or highways in said town, on any hand sled, board or other thing upon the snow or ice, he shall for each offence, be fined not less than one dollar, or more than five dollars.

"14. Every person who shall for the purpose of erecting or repairing any building, erect or cause to be erected any staging, or deposit any building materials or rubbish, or remains of any old building, in such manner as to obstruct the passage over more than one half part of any street or highway in which such staging is erected, or such building, materials, rubbish or remains of any building are deposited, without the written permission of the Selectmen therefor, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than twenty dollars.

"15. In erecting any building situated on any street or highway, or doing any other work, no person shall place or deposit, nor suffer to remain in any part of such street or highway, any lumber or other building material, nor any rubbish or remains of any old building for any longer period than may be necessary from time to time, for the prosecution of the work which may be going on, and in case any lumber or other building materials, or any rubbish or remains of any old building, must of necessity remain after dark, a sufficient light shall be kept over or near the same throughout the whole of the night, so as to give sufficient notice to all persons passing in or through such street or highway. Every person violating any provision of

this section, shall be fined not less than two dollars, or more than twenty dollars.

"16. If any person shall tie or fasten any horse, cattle, or team, to any of the trees planted in any public highway or street, or on any public lands in said town, for shade or ornament, or any thing put up for the protection of said trees, he shall forfeit and pay for each offence, a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than ten dollars.

"17. If any person shall maliciously, wantonly or carelessly throw down, extinguish or otherwise injure any lamp or lantern, erected for the purpose of lighting any street or highway in said town, whether the same shall have been erected by the town or any corporation, or by any individual, or who shall light such lamp without proper authority, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"18. If any person shall maliciously, wantonly or carelessly, daub with paint, cut, deface or otherwise injure any public lamp or lamp post, trees, fences, buildings, or other objects useful or ornamental, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"19. If any person shall throw a carcass of any dead animal, into any of the ponds, streams or waters within the limits of said town, or if any person shall leave any such carcass of any such animal to decay on the surface of the ground, or insufficiently buried therein, near any building or any road, or other highway in said town, he shall pay for every such offence, a sum not less than five dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"20. If any person shall at any time whatsoever, empty into any public street or highway of said town, any part of the contents of any sink, cesspool or privy, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"21. If any person or persons shall, between the first day of May, and the first day of November, in any year carry into or through any public street or highway, any part of the contents of any sink, cesspool or privy, in any cart, wagon or other vehicle whatever, except between the hours of ten o'clock in the evening and sunrise, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"22. If any person or persons shall, at any time whatsoever, carry into or through any such public street or highway, any part of the contents of any sink, cesspool or privy, in any cart, wagon or other vehicle which shall not be effectually covered and water-tight, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"23. If any cart, wagon or other vehicle whatsoever, having therein the contents of any sink, cesspool or privy, shall be permitted to stand (except while loading), in any such street or highway, the owner or owners, driver or drivers of any such cart, wagon or other vehicle, shall be fined not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

"24. It shall be the duty of all owners or occupants of halls or other rooms of public entertainment or amusement in this town, to have all the doors of exit from said rooms swing out when they open, if the same can be done; but if said doors do swing in, then at the time of opening of said

rooms or halls for the reception of the public, it shall be the duty of said owners or occupants to open said doors to their fullest extent, and to secure the same in that position with locks until the close of said entertainment or public gathering. Any person or persons violating this By-Law, shall forfeit and pay for each offence, not less than five dollars, nor more than twenty dollars."

"At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Milford, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, holden this, the tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, the said inhabitants, voted to adopt the foregoing By-Laws, as By-Laws for the town of Milford.

"Voted, that the Town Clerk present said By-Laws to the Superior Court for approval.

Attest: LEWIS FALES, *Town Clerk.*

"The foregoing By-Laws of the town of Milford, being presented to the Court at the present term, are examined and approved by the Court.

Attest: JOHN A. DANA, *Assistant Clerk.*

A copy, Attest: JOHN A. DANA, *Assistant.*

A true copy, Attest: LEWIS FALES, *Town Clerk.*"

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

"WORCESTER, ss.

"At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Milford, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, holden this, the 21st day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred sixty-four, by adjournment from the eighth day of said month, when the said inhabitants voted to adopt the following By-Laws, proposed by the School Committee as amended, viz.: —

PROVISIONS, ARRANGEMENTS, AND BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD, CONCERNING TRUANT CHILDREN AND ABSENTEES FROM SCHOOL:

"SECTION 1. Any of the persons described in the first section of the "Act concerning truant children and absentees from school," approved on the thirtieth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, upon conviction of any offence therein described, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, or by confinement for a term not exceeding two years in the place hereinafter designated.

"SECT. 2. The Selectmen shall annually, in the month of March, appoint three persons, who shall alone be authorized, in case of violation of these By-Laws, to make complaint and carry into execution the sentence thereon, and who shall be known as Truant officers, and who shall receive for their services the same rate of compensation as Constables of the town receive for

their services : *provided*, that for the present year said Truant Officers shall be appointed immediately after the adoption and approval of these By-Laws.

"SECT. 3. In case a Truant Officer shall find any person between the ages of seven and sixteen years, belonging to any of the public schools in said town of Milford, during school hours, wandering about in or near any street, square, common, lane or by-way, or at any public place of resort or amusement, without sufficient excuse for this absence from school, he shall apprehend such person, and take him to his school in case he shall not deem it proper to file a complaint against the offender, and shall forthwith notify the parent or guardian of the child of his doings in the premises.

"SECT. 4. The Truant Officers shall keep a true record of their proceedings — of the number of offences noticed, complaints made, acquitals or corrections had, and the punishments awarded therefor, and the names of the parties dealt with, together with the names of their parents or guardians, a copy of which, with a statement in detail of the cost to the town of their services, and the amount of fines, received, shall be delivered to the School Committee annually, on or about the fifteenth day of February; and the School Committee shall incorporate the substance of these records into their reports, for the information of the town.

"SECT. 5. The Reform School of Worcester is hereby assigned and provided as the institution of instruction, house of reformation, or suitable situation mentioned in section second of the Act aforesaid.

"SECT. 6. The Justice of the Court having jurisdiction in the cases arising under these By-Laws shall receive for his services the fees allowed by law in criminal cases.

Attest : LEWIS FALES, *Town Clerk.*

"A true copy of Town Record.

Attest : LEWIS FALES, *Town Clerk.*

"SUFFOLK, ss. Superior Court, Oct. Term, 1864.

"The foregoing By-Laws of the Town of Milford are approved.

CHARLES ALLEN, *Chief Justice.*

A true copy, Attest : LEWIS FALES, *Town Clerk.*"

ENFORCEMENT, ETC.

So far as I am informed, the foregoing by-laws have been as well respected, enforced, and operatively salutary as those of any other municipality. There are always more or less persons in every community who transgress its laws. Most of these do so through ignorance, inadvertence, or unmalicious self-indulgence ; the minority from sheer lawlessness or wilful viciousness. Our town is no exception. As a general rule its authorities have wisely avoided needless severity, and relied more on moral than legal enforcements, reserving the latter for obviously hard cases. The result has been general

good order, and fewer criminal outrages than in some communities claiming a more puritanic religious and civil standing. What may be called the frolicsome spirit of our population is, perhaps, more difficult to restrain than the brutal vices. This is seen sometimes in *fast* exploits, fun-making, high good times, and especially in the 4th of July racket-patriotism of "Young America." The last is a good-natured but mischievous nuisance here, as elsewhere generally, and very difficult to abate; but, on the whole, Milford, though lively, is a law-abiding community.

IMPORTANT LAWSUITS AND REPORTS OF THE SAME.

The matter of this section is an acceptable contribution from the pen of Thomas G. Kent, Esq., one of our ablest lawyers. I welcomed the same appreciatively, and present it to the reader exactly in his own words and legal phraseology. The great controversy between our two parties, "Town Party" and "Parish Party," to which Mr. Kent refers in his opening paragraph, has been more or less distinctly alluded to in preceding chapters of this work, particularly in Chap. X., on Religious Societies. The litigation which was evolved by this controversy, as well as other suits included in the reports collated by Mr. Kent, raised some subtle and important law questions, the adjudication of which had not merely a local interest, but a wide-spread one throughout our Commonwealth and country. This section will, therefore, be valuable, not only to the people of our own town, living and yet unborn, but to many outside readers of our history. How muchsoever the discords and litigations which began here in 1819 were to be deprecated for the unhappiness attendant and consequent upon them, they were certainly overruled for good. The intense rivalry they inspired increased enterprise, disciplined mind, drew in earnest immigrants, stimulated business, multiplied wealth, created new social centres, and advanced both physical and mental progress. Thus we may reverently adore and trust that all-wise Providence which never permits evil to frustrate his all-comprehending benevolence.

MR. KENT'S ARTICLE.

The history of a town is hardly complete without a record of its litigation. The strife at the time may cause anger and bitterness; but the result may serve to stimulate, and in the end to develop, the energies, and advance the prosperity, of both parties and of the whole town. Such has been the effect in Milford. A memorable controversy, about threescore years ago, brought into existence the old

brick town-house, the old brick church, and the lower town hotel. Only those cases that have been of sufficient importance to be passed upon by the highest court, and that are found in the published reports, are inserted here. The attempt has been to collect all those cases where the town was directly or indirectly interested since its incorporation. Of course no suits between private parties are included.

The cases are given in the order of their dates: —

MILFORD *vs.* WORCESTER (7 Mass. 48, 1810).

In this action the settlement of Rhoda Temple, alleged by the plaintiff to be the wife of Stephen Temple and mother of their six children, was in controversy.

It was agreed that Stephen had his legal settlement in Worcester, and also that Rhoda and the six children belonged to Worcester if Stephen and Rhoda were lawfully married. The dispute related to the legality of the marriage.

It was proved that Stephen and Rhoda, in 1784, resided in Upton, that there was recorded in Upton a certificate of their intention to marry, and that some time in that year they went together to a tavern in Upton, produced their certificate, and that one —— Dorr, Esq.,[1] a justice of the peace, happened to be present. They requested him to marry them; but he, for some cause, refused "to take an active part." The parties, however, bent on marriage, remained in the room where Esquire Dorr was present; and Stephen declared that he took Rhoda as his lawful wife, and she declared that she took him as her lawful husband.

Some of the testimony tended to prove that Dorr encouraged the parties in this; but he denied it. The jury found against the validity of the marriage. The case went to the full court, upon the question whether the mutual engagement of the parties in this case to take each other for husband and wife in the room where a justice of the peace was present, he not assenting, but refusing to solemnize the act, was a lawful marriage; and the court decided that it was not.

Hastings for plaintiffs, Lincoln for defendants.

(This rule has been modified by later statutes, and by the court in Myers *v.* Pope, 110 Mass. 314).

MILFORD *vs.* BELLINGHAM (16 Mass. 107, 1819).

This action was brought to recover the expense of supporting Bess Corbett, a negro woman. Nothing was in controversy except the

[1] Probably Joseph Dorr, Esq., of Mendon.

settlement of the woman. She was originally the slave of Dr. Corbett of Bellingham. The defendant town claimed that Dr. Corbett had given her to his grand-daughter, Esther Messenger, when she married Col. Frost of Milford.[1] In proof of this they relied on the declarations of Dr. Corbett at the time Bess left his house for that of Col. Frost, and on those of Esther, the wife of Col. Frost. The latter denied that Bess ever belonged to him or his wife as a slave. The jury found for the defendant town, and there was a judgment against the town of Milford.

Same counsel as in last case.

Thus far the records show lawsuits only with stranger towns, foreign wars, as it were, which would not be likely to engender much personal feeling; but about this time there broke out a controversy among the inhabitants, a sort of civil war, that shook the town to its centre, and created a hostility that for many years found its way into the public business and social relations of the inhabitants, that even to this day has not been wholly obliterated.

The original difference was semi-religious. The Town, from its foundation in 1780, had year by year raised, by taxation of all its inhabitants, a sufficient sum to support the minister of the First Congregational Parish. The town-meetings had always been held in the meeting-house.

But it so happened, after a time, that the rigid doctrines preached by the Rev. David Long were not acceptable to all the people, principally to those residing in the lower village and towards the North Purchase; and they separated or seceded from the old parish, and formed themselves into a new society, and soon after built the brick church. The Parish, which was in existence prior to the incorporation of the town, thereupon assumed to control the meeting-house, and sold it; and it was removed from its former site near the spot on which the present edifice stands, and made a part of the hotel then standing near the present location of the Mansion House.

This action was prolific of lawsuits. First came Milford *vs.* Godfrey and others (1 Pick. 91, 1822).

This lawsuit was prosecuted to see whether the Town, or the Parish, owned the meeting-house. The land on which the meeting-house stood was conveyed to the Precinct, in 1748, by Ichabod Robinson, the meeting-house having been previously built. In 1780, upon a petition of the Precinct, the territory embraced therein was created the Town of Milford. From that time till 1815, a period of thirty-five years, the meeting-house was occupied by the Town for its town-meetings,

[1] Amariah Frost, jun., to whom I have nowhere else seen the title Col. given.

and all parochial affairs were managed by the Town. The Town employed the minister, enlarged and repaired the meeting-house, and employed a person to take care of it; and the Parish did not meantime choose officers or otherwise actively organize. In 1815 they did so organize, and from that time forward they kept the key of the house in their possession, and in 1818 they removed the old meeting-house, and erected a new one. The action was trespass for this removal. The defendants, who acted under the authority of the Parish, claimed that the Town had no such title as would enable them to maintain their action. The court decided, that, although the affairs of the Parish had been conducted in the form of town-meetings, yet that the Town acted in these matters rather as the agent of the Parish than on its own account; that the acts of the Town in relation to the meeting-house were done in their parochial capacity, and therefore gave them no right in their municipal character; and that the use of the house for public municipal purposes could give no right of property, nor was it any thing like exclusive possession while the society had the use of it every sabbath for the purposes for which it was built; and the plaintiffs were non-suited.

Lincoln and Newton for plaintiffs, Hastings and Mills for defendants.

The meeting-house, in which all town-meetings had hitherto been held, having been removed, the place of holding future town-meetings became matter of controversy. The representatives of the Parish, who still held control of the old building, offered to permit the Town still to use the same building in its new place; but the other party, irritated by the removal, rejected this offer, and secured a vote of The town to build a new town-house, under which vote the old brick town-house was built. There were then no buildings on the east side of Main Street from the present location of Central Street to the Hopkinton R. Rd. crossing, save a small Masonic Hall and a barn. After the town-house was built, the Parish party refused to pay their tax assessed for the year 1819, including the expense of the new town-house. The tax-collector seized the property of individuals, usually a horse and chaise, and these were advertised and sold at auction on the site of the present Mansion House Park, amid great excitement; and so the tax was collected. But this was not the end of it. The parties who had submitted to the sale of their property sued the assessors, Henry Nelson, David Stearns, and James Perry, for carrying away their goods, alleging that the tax was void.

Thus arose the case of Thayer *vs.* Stearns and others (1 Pick. 109,

1822); and the question first raised and decided was merely technical. It was this. The plaintiff claimed that there was no evidence that the meeting at which the defendants were chosen assessors was duly held. The constable's return on the warrant was dated the day the meeting was held, in which he certified only that he warned the inhabitants by posting up copies, without saying at what time. The original warrant had been lost, and the defendants offered to prove by verbal testimony that a paper purporting to be a copy of the warrant was duly posted in the time and manner required; but the court below held this evidence to be inadmissible, and there was a verdict for the plaintiff: but the full court reversed this decision, and there was a new trial. The following year, the case, having been tried again, went to the full court, and was decided by a judgment for the plaintiff, on these grounds: 1st, that the town, State, and county taxes were included in one assessment (since allowed by a change of statute); and, 2d, that the valuation on which the assessment was based was not lodged in any office of the town-clerk or assessors, as by law was required. This was a test case, deciding the whole tax for that year to be illegal; and the assessors thereupon proceeded to pay out of their own pockets all the money that had been collected by compulsion on the tax of that year.

Then followed the case of Henry Nelson *vs.* Milford (7 Pick. 18, 1828). The Town in 1824 voted to assess the tax of 1819 over again, and to collect the same, taking the receipts of such as had voluntarily paid the former tax in discharge of their liability, and to pay over to Henry Nelson and others the sums they had advanced and paid for the use of the town. In 1825 the Town reversed, revoked, and repealed said vote; and this suit was brought on the strength of the first vote as a promise on good consideration. The court held, that, without the first vote or some special promise, the action could not be maintained, but that the vote of 1824 was a binding promise on good consideration, and that the same could not be revoked so far as it related to the Town tax, but so far as it covered money paid for State and county purposes it was without consideration, and void.

Hastings for plaintiff, Rawson and Newton for defendants.

Worcester *vs.* Milford (18 Pick. 379, 1836).

This was an action to recover a small sum paid by the plaintiff town to the trustees of the State Lunatic Asylum for the support of Russell Cheney. It was conceded that Russell Cheney had a legal settlement in Milford; but the defendants sought to avoid their liability on the

ground that they were not seasonably notified. The facts were agreed, and the court held that the defendants were liable.

Merrick for plaintiff, Hastings for defendants.

MEDWAY *vs.* MILFORD (21 Pick. 349, 1838).

The town of Medway was called upon to assist, and did assist, Asia Madden and his family as paupers, whose legal settlement was in Milford.

Notice having been given to Milford, they forthwith proceeded to settle the matter. They paid the town of Medway at the rate of one dollar a week for the past expense, and arranged with one Joseph Desper to continue to support the family in Medway at their expense. The statutes provided, that if the pauper was removed within thirty days after notice from the town rendering support, that such town should not receive more than one dollar a week from the town in which the pauper had his legal settlement. Pursuant to the said agreement with Joseph Desper, the pauper was not removed, and the town of Medway sought to recover the actual expense of his support without regard to the statute limitation and the above settlement; but the court held that the settlement was conclusive, and refused to open the matter.

Metcalf for plaintiffs, Washburn for defendants.

CORNELIUS T. DAY *vs.* MILFORD (5 Allen, 98, 1862).

The plaintiff sought to recover damages to his person, resulting from the fall of an awning projecting over the street. A heavy fall of snow took place a few hours before the accident.

The rule adopted by the court was, that the town would be liable under such circumstances, if the awning had been, for the space of twenty-four hours before the happening of the accident, so frail that in the winds, rains, and snows ordinarily occurring in this climate, it was likely to fall, and did fall from such cause, although the direct cause was snow which fell thereon less than twenty-four hours before; and the verdict was for the plaintiff.

Dewey and Staples for plaintiff, Bacon and Aldrich for defendant.

MILFORD *vs.* HOLBROOK (9 Allen, 17, 1864).

This suit arose out of the same accident described in the last case, and was brought to recover of the owner of the building to which the defective awning was attached the amount of the judgment against the town in that case. At the time said first suit was brought, said Holbrook was notified to take upon himself the defence of that suit;

but he failed to do so. The defendant sought to avoid his liability, on the ground that the tenants who occupied the premises were liable, and that he was not; but, under the peculiar facts of the case, the court held him liable, and the verdict was for the plaintiff.

Same counsel as in last case.

WAREHAM *vs.* MILFORD (105 Mass. 293, 1870).

An action to recover for money paid for the support of Davis Dunham as a pauper. The question was on the fact of the settlement of Dunham. He resided in Milford for ten years together, and paid taxes for five years within that time; but the defendants contended that he did not thereby gain a settlement, because that, during that time, his wife received some aid from the public authorities of Fall River. It appeared that the same was furnished without said Dunham's knowledge, and he has never been called on to pay the same.

The court held that the facts did not prevent his gaining a settlement in Milford, and there was judgment for the plaintiff.

Miller and Ames for plaintiff, Fales for defendant.

ALLEN C. FAY AND OTHERS *vs.* MILFORD (124 Mass. 1878).

The plaintiffs were owners of lots in Vernon-grove Cemetery, belonging to the town. When this cemetery was established, a town cemetery, near the railroad depots, ceased to be a burying-place; and the remains interred therein were removed to other cemeteries, but mostly to Pine-grove Cemetery, under a vote passed in 1859, "that the Town will give in exchange lots in the new cemetery free of expense to those holding lots in the old, and remove the remains of friends from the old to the new, or to any other cemetery as may be desired, free of charge under their supervision and direction if desired."

In 1861 the Town adopted a code of by-laws for the management of the Vernon-grove Cemetery, and among other articles the following was adopted: "All moneys received by the trustees for the lots in this cemetery, and the avails of all lots received in exchange for said lots, shall constitute a fund for the purpose of defraying the expense of repairing and improving the avenues, walks, and public grounds in the cemetery." The Town, in 1867 and 1869, had sold the old cemetery near the depot for a large sum: and the plaintiffs claimed that the passage of said article as one of the by-laws constituted a contract on the part of the Town with all the lot-owners in the new cemetery, that the proceeds of the sale of the old lot should be applied to the keeping the avenues, etc., in the new cemetery in repair;

but the court held that said by-law did not constitute a contract on the part of the Town, and the action was dismissed.

Nelson for plaintiffs, Kent for defendant.

In the suit of First Congregational Parish of Milford against the town of Milford, the plaintiff claimed that the old burying-ground on School Street belonged to the parish, and brought this suit to recover possession. The defendant, the Town, denied,

1st, That the Parish ever owned the land.

2d, They claimed that if the Parish did own the land at the date of the incorporation of the town, the property forthwith vested in the Town, the Town had appropriated the property to a municipal purpose, which prevented it from reverting to the Parish.

3d, They claimed that the Town had acquired a valid title by adverse possession.

The case was tried without a jury in March, and the court has now ordered judgment for the defendant, the Town. The case was determined on the ground of a valid title in the Town by adverse possession.

Bacon, Hopkins, and Bacon, and H. E. Fales, for plaintiff; T. G. Kent and Geo. G. Parker for defendant.

CRIMINAL STATUS OF MILFORD SINCE A TOWN.

I have once or twice alluded to this matter, and intended to collect reliable information from judicial records and traditional sources, with a view to show the criminal status of our population during the century now closing. I was prompted to this by a knowledge of the fact that in former times, and to a certain extent recently, some of our neighboring towns have inclined to cherish a prejudice to our discredit as a hot-bed of moral depravity. This prejudice had its origin in the sincere belief that heterodoxy and heresy, such as began to prevail here three-quarters of a century ago, must tend to gross licentiousness. A new ground of suspicion to the same effect followed the great influx of Irish Catholics. But results have not justified the prejudice from either of these dreaded causes. So far as what may be called *civil morality* is concerned, I feel warranted, by my inquiries and observations, in stating that no municipal population in this general section of the Commonwealth has been freer from gross criminality than ours. Murders, highway robberies, rapes, burglaries, and brutal personal outrages have been comparatively few and far between on our territory from 1780 to 1880. I think almost any town in our vicinity can easily reckon up a greater number. This is no cause for boasting, though it is for thankfulness that our inhabitants

have been no worse, considering that their neighbors were so confident that they must be uncommonly vicious. We have had quite enough of the smaller crimes and disorders to humble us, as well as to tax our resources of repression and reform. But even these cannot be deemed exceptionally predominant or aggravated. Whatever be the cause, there seems to be in our municipal atmosphere very strong elements of justice, humanity, and benevolence; and though these are not strong enough to overcome the causes of vice, recklessness, and folly, they certainly do diminish those brutal and cruel passions which often co-exist in some communities side by side with great religious stringency. Instead, therefore, of presenting any broad array of criminal statistics to show the relative moral laxity of Milford and its neighbors, I will content myself with the foregoing suggestions, and with appending an article from the "Milford Journal" of 1879, which I presume was inspired, if not verbally indited, by our worthy Justice, C. A. Dewey, Esq., of the District Police Court. Its shades are darker than I could wish, but on the whole tinged with rays of hopefulness.

CRIMINAL RECORD OF MILFORD FOR THE PAST YEAR (1879).

"The annual returns of the Third District Court of Southern Worcester, just made out, show in some respects a highly gratifying state of affairs, and that the criminal population is not increasing. The district includes Milford, Mendon, and Upton.

"The number of complaints made for assault has been only thirty, — considerably less than for any other one year during the last twenty, forty-one being the lowest in any previous year. During ten years of that time, the average number of cases of assault has been over ninety, — that is, over three times the number of the past year.

"The number of cases of drunkenness has been steadily diminishing, the last three years. The number the present year is three hundred and four, while it was four hundred and twenty-eight three years ago.

"The number of cases of larceny is nineteen, — certainly not a large number, though it has only been exceeded five times during the last twenty years.

"The criminal business of the court generally has been smaller than any previous year since 1867.

"This record of crime for a score of years is worthy of notice, and affords matter for reflection and satisfaction in a peace-loving community.

"During the ten years when the largest number of assaults occurred, the average cases of drunkenness were one hundred and forty-four per year; and the other ten years when assault cases were infrequent, the number of intoxicated persons averaged two hundred and eighty per year. The last seven years the assault cases have been few, and the cases of drunkenness

more, the assaults averaging forty-eight, and the cases of intoxication three hundred and thirty-four. This would apparently indicate that it is not unwise to arrest a person when intoxicated, and if this is done there is less liability of his committing an assault.

"The general record is even better than it appears; as the district was only formed five years ago, and since then Upton has been included, and a small portion of business has come from that town."

If the causes of intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors could by any means be overcome and done away, a very large proportion of the criminality confessed in the foregoing report would no longer oblige us to blush with shame even for petty offences.

CHAPTER XV.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS AND PARTICULARS.

Our Voluntary Associations, organized for Various Purposes. — 1. The Merely Secular; "Horse-thief Detecting;" the "Agricultural;" the "Medical;" the Pecuniary, Industrial, and Literary. — 2. The Fraternal; the Masonic; Odd-Fellowship, etc. — 3. The Reformatory; Temperance Societies, etc. — 4. Mutual Benefit Societies. — 5. The Religious and Semi-religious Organizations; Social and Amusemental Characteristics.

Abandoned Home-Sites, Descent of Farm-Lands, Local Changes, etc. — Descriptions and Historical Particulars of Thirty-seven Abandoned Home-Sites in Different Parts of the Town. — The Numerous Changes in Ownership of Real Estate. — The Few Persons who now inherit Real Estate in the Fourth Generation, etc. — Four Specimens of Numerous Changes in the Ownership of Homesteads. — Original Land-owners of Milford Centre.

Real Estate ever owned by the Town, and Interesting Chronicles. — Table I., showing all the Parcels conveyed to the Town. — Table II., all the Parcels conveyed from the Town. — Divers Interesting Chronicles. — Innholders, and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors.

OUR VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZED FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

BANKING, railroad, fire-insurance, and other monetary corporations have been noticed elsewhere, excepting the Gaslight Co. and a few other business organizations. The Gaslight Co. was incorporated in 1854. It is managed by a president, directors, treasurer, and superintendent; has a capital of $80,000 or more; and has several miles of pipe, extending even to the upper machine-shop at Hopedale. Since the above was written, the Milford Water Co. has been organized under a special act of General Court. This Water Co. originated in a Reservoir Co., formed in June, 1880, for the benefit of Charles river mill-owners, and to protect Milford against loss by fire. Subsequent changes developed it into its present importance. It has a chartered right to issue capital stock to the amount of $100,000, and to bond the works to the amount of the actual cash paid in. Moses Joy, jun., has contracted to build and complete the works on or before July 1, 1882. The enterprise is in rapid process of execution, and is one of great promise.

It was organized in March, 1881, with Moses Joy, jun., C. W. Shippee, John P. Daniels, E. L. Wires, and Charles F. Claflin, as directors; Moses Joy, jun., as president; J. P. Daniels, treasurer; and Charles W. Shippee, secretary.

I pass over a few minor corporations, and come to those institutions which I have denominated voluntary associations. These are quite various in their character and objects, ranging from merely secular to religious, through the scale of philanthropic, fraternal, and morally reformatory.

Of the merely secular we have the following: "The Horse-thief Detecting Society," organized Dec. 21, 1795, including in its scope several neighboring towns. It has three hundred members in Milford, Mendon, and Bellingham, is officered by a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, and has a pursuing committee of five in each of the three towns. Its funds had accumulated to the amount of over four thousand dollars, until recently, when the bulk of it was divided among the members. "The Worcester South-east Agricultural Society" was incorporated in 1860. Its area of membership includes also several neighboring towns. It has seven hundred members, officered by a president, numerous vice-presidents, a secretary, and treasurer. Annual meeting first Thursday in Dec. It owns (or did until recently) a capacious hall and riding-park, and holds its annual fair on the last Tuesday and Wednesday of September. "Milford Farmers' Club" was organized 1859, and incorporated 1870. Its general object is indicated by its title. Its annual meeting for the election of president, secretary, and treasurer is held on the first Monday in January. Fair held first and third Saturdays of every month, at Farmers' Exchange, on the Town Park. "Thurber Medical Association," organized June 9, 1853. Its membership extends over the adjacent towns, and consists of physicians belonging to the Massachusetts Medical Society. Object, professional improvement and social intercourse. Rooms, 107 Main St. Meetings once a month, Thursday on or before full moon. Officers elected annually in October; viz., a president, secretary, and treasurer. Fund, $600, the income devoted to purchase of books. Library, two hundred volumes. A number of other secular associations have arisen from time to time, and after a while been dissolved, — some mainly pecuniary, and others literary, such as "Mill River Loan Fund Association," incorporated 1854; "Landholders' Protective Association," organized 1855; "Young Men's Lyceum and Debating Club," organized 1853; "People's Lyceum," organized 1850; "Knights of St. Crispin, Lodge No. 5," organized Sept., 1867; "Milford Dramatic Union," organized Nov., 1873. Most of these and several kindred organizations of minor importance are now defunct.

Of fraternal, philanthropic, and charitable associations we have the following: —

The Masonic. — "Montgomery Lodge of F. & A. M.," chartered 1797, formerly located in Medway; regular meetings, Thursdays on or before full moon. "Mount Lebanon Royal Arch Chapter," chartered 1824, also formerly located in Medway; regular meetings, Thursdays after full moon. "Milford Commandery of Knights Templar, chartered 1859; regular assemblies, the fourth Monday in each month. There is also a "Masonic Mutual Relief Society" of more recent date, whose object is indicated by its title. "Charity Lodge" was the first Masonic body in town. It was chartered in Mendon, June 13, 1803, and installed there soon afterwards. It was removed to Milford, 1815, and continued in operation till somewhere not far from 1830, at the culmination of the great Anti-Masonic excitement in this State, when its charter was surrendered to the Grand Lodge. Its records and jewels perished in the conflagration which afterwards destroyed the Masonic Temple on Tremont St., Boston.

The Odd-Fellows. — "Tisqwantum Lodge, No. 46, I. O. of O. F.," chartered 1844; charter renewed 1871; meetings every Monday evening at 8 o'clock, in Odd-Fellows' Hall; number of members, one hundred and forty. "Quinshepang Encampment, No. 20," chartered 1867; renewed 1871; number of members, seventy-five; meetings, first and third Thursdays in each month. These associations guarantee important benefits to their members in case of sickness or death. There is also a stronger County Association.

Other Mutual Benefit Societies. — Knights of Pythias, "Bay State Lodge, No. 51," organized April 14, 1870; regular meetings, every Tuesday evening, in Pythian Hall. "Division No. 7, Ancient Order of Hibernians." Object and character of the institution: "The members of this order declare that the intent and purpose of the order is to promote *friendship*, *unity*, *and true Christian charity* among its members, by raising or supporting a stock of money for maintaining the aged, sick, blind, and infirm members, for legitimate expenses of the order, and for no other purpose whatsoever." Membership confined wholly to Roman Catholics. Formerly it was restricted to Irish and those of Irish descent. Recently this restriction has been taken off. Number of members, eighty-five. Officers, a president, vice-president, treasurer, recording secretary, financial do. and assistant do. It was organized March 23, 1873, with but seventeen members. It pays to its members while sick $5 per week and doctor's bills, $50 at death to the widow or nearest relative, to defray funeral expenses, and from a death-fund $2 per member in aid of the bereaved family. Its funds at interest and other property in hand amount to $4,454.

"Mutual Relief Association," instituted Nov. 15, 1870. Object and character, "to secure such relief and present support to the widow or heirs of each and every deceased member, by the faithful payment to said heirs or assigns of such sums of money as shall be derived by the payment of one dollar ($1) by each surviving member; and we, the undersigned, hereby pledge our sacred honor, that we will not wilfully do any thing that shall tend to defeat the above object." Number of members, three hundred and thirty-five; officered by a president, two vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer (both in one), and an executive committee of nine, including the president and vice-presidents.

"Milford Lodge, Knights of Honor, No. 692," organized July 18, 1877; present membership, forty; meets first and third Wednesdays in each month, at Pythian Hall, Bank building. Officers, a dictator, vice do., reporter, financial do., treasurer, chaplain, guide, guardian, sentinel, medical examiner, etc., all chosen and installed once in six months. Object, "purely that of insurance, or a means of furnishing a person's family with the means of subsistence after the death of its head." Any person of good moral character, twenty-one years of age, after passing a satisfactory medical examination, may become a member. Initiation fee, $1, paid into the widows' and orphans' fund. Insurance guaranteed by the whole order, seventy-five thousand in number, by process of assessment on the entire membership; securing $2,000 to the widow or orphans of every deceased member within thirty days after death.

Temperance Societies. — Of these there have been many in town since the rise of the Temperance reform, bearing different titles. Most of them ceased, one after another, to maintain an active organization. Just how many now exist of the old type, I am not informed. Of the modern type we had instituted Aug. 6, 1868, "Division No. 51, Sons of Temperance," perhaps now defunct; "Fidelity Lodge, No. 21, Independent Order of Good Templars," instituted Sept. 14, 1863, still vigorous; "Hopedale Lodge, No. 237," same order, instituted Feb. 1, 1867, recently dissolved; "Claflin Lodge, No. 259," same order, instituted July 11, 1867, now defunct; "Elmwood Lodge, No. 129," same order, instituted at So. Milford, 1872, still active; "Catholic Temperance Association," organized 1859, still in prosperous activity. More recently, one or two "Temperance Clubs" have been organized, with a numerous membership; but I am not in possession of the necessary data to describe them properly. All, or nearly all, of these new-type organizations were instituted with mutual-benefit provisions. Milford has a strong minority of citizens pro-

fessedly devoted to the Temperance cause, but the majority seems to uphold the licensed sale of intoxicating liquors with a decisive preference.

Religious or Semi-religious Associations. — "Milford Bible Society," organized Oct., 1857, as a branch of the New York Bible Society, with "the same object; viz., to place the Bible within the reach of all." It is in prosperous and successful operation. "Young Men's Christian Association," organized Nov., 1867; object, "the mental, moral, and spiritual improvement of its members." It holds regular meetings every month, has a respectable constituency, is well officered, and is prosperous. The several religious societies, as elsewhere stated, have their subservient social organizations for various purposes, which I need not here specify by name and object.

SOCIAL AND AMUSEMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS.

Although the distinctions of race, rank, and class exist among us, and perhaps with increasing definiteness, yet there is a predominant sociality and fraternity of feeling throughout the town. The population has, for the most part, always inclined to common humanity, equality, sympathy, and friendly social intercourse. There has ever been a general fondness for congenial, convivial, and amusemental gatherings. A "good time" never came amiss, and its repetition was never long delayed. In the olden days they had their huskings, quiltings, rural dances, play-parties, and jovial sports. Next came the travelling jugglers, sleight-of-hand performers, caravans, and other showmen. Dramatic exhibitions and theatrical plays, by home troupes, commenced as early as 1825 in the brick meeting-house. Balls of more fashionable style and importance came into vogue, and came to stay. And now scarcely a week passes without more or less of social entertainment in the forms of theatrical performance, musical concert, excursion, fair, levee, club-feast, base-ball, or some one of the thousand modern amusements. Even the churches, as well as moral reform societies, have gone into the practice of getting up various sorts of "good times," to raise funds, please their Sunday schools, and increase their congregations. Whereunto this will grow remains to be seen. There has recently been completed a spacious and elegant music-hall, erected expressly for theatrical and other amusemental purposes. Heretofore the Town-Hall, Washington Hall, Lyceum Hall, Irving Hall, and others of less note have afforded the only accommodations of this nature. We have some staid, plain-living people, who think they can manage to enjoy mortal existence with a somewhat smaller spice of artificial amusement, and who

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are disposed to mind their own business in a more quiet way ; but they are not exactly in fashion. Although there are some vicious amusements, and doubtless many abuses of innocent ones in town, which ought to be abated, its civil morality will average fairly with that of most other communities, even of some who claim to be much more Puritanical. It has no excess of the dangerously criminal classes, albeit we are not exempt from misdemeanor ; and there is room for great improvements a long way this side of the millennium.

ABANDONED HOME-SITES, DESCENT OF FARM-LANDS, LOCAL CHANGES, ETC.

Principal among abandoned home-sites, known to me, are the following described : —

No. 1. — On E. Main St., coming from Holliston, on Appleton Bragg's farm, a dozen rods or more east of the St., are the cellar remains of the old Kilburn home, once inhabited by the first Josiah Kilburn, and perhaps by his father John, the ancestor of all our Kilburns. This home dates back to 1725 or thereabouts, and then controlled a large farm, extending southerly along the highway into the hollow at the foot of the hill, this side of the Nathan Keith place, in our day so called. It continued to be inhabited by a daughter of Josiah Kilburn, sen., till 1831, when Col. Arial Bragg bought it, with its remaining one acre, of Deborah Kilburn.

No. 2. — On the west side of the same St., a little above the Nathan Keith place, is the Eldad Atwood cellar-hole and well, plainly preserved. I think I have been told that Eldad's father dwelt there before him, but am not certain. If so, the home dates back anterior to 1750. Eldad himself mortgaged his place to the town in 1811, being in needy circumstances. He died in 1814. Just when his habitation was demolished, I have not been told.

No. 3. — The Wiswall place, on the same St., north side, half a mile farther towards the Centre, is well known to our older people. It was inhabited first by Thomas Wiswall, as long ago, probably, as 1725 ; next by his son Timothy and wife, who were an aged couple living there in 1824, when I first came into town. He d. there in 1830, and a few years later the house was demolished. Its remains are quite noticeable and distinct.

No. 4. — On the same St. and side of it, coming towards town, nearly opposite the lane that leads by Mrs. L. B. Felton's to Medway St., at the foot of the hill, are the cellar-holes of Lt. Joseph Gibbs's home. These remains are so obscure that they cannot be recognized without some search. They were formerly noticeable on account of

numerous Balm of Gilead trees near them. The straightening of the road in 1803, or thereabouts, left the site a little back in the southern skirts of Rocky Woods. In 1769 Dr. Wm. Jennison sold this place to Lt. Joseph Gibbs with some seventy acres of land. Of whom Jennison had it, or who dwelt there aforetime, if anybody, I have not informed myself. But the dwelling-house and its appendages were of respectable rank, and continued to be inhabited, with fair surroundings, down to 1813, perhaps a little later. Gibbs d. in 1805, and Stephen Kilburn dwelt there in 1813. Date of demolition not ascertained.

No. 5. — On the Daniell place, now owned by L. B. Felton's heirs, we find a cellar-hole and remains of chimney. The old house was occupied by Oliver Daniell and wife, aged people at my coming into town. It was probably built by Josiah Partridge as early as 1725, who sold it, with large accompaniments of land, to Jasper Daniell, father of Oliver, in 1737. Date of demolition must be subsequent to 1831, in which year Oliver and wife both died.

No. 6. — Near the junction of Mt. Pleasant and Central Sts., a little way towards Beaver St., there are conspicuous foundation remains of a once considerable mansion. In 1742, when the selectmen of Mendon laid out what is now Mt. Pleasant St., Ephraim Daniels dwelt there. But who preceded or succeeded him, or when the place was abandoned, I am as yet uninformed. Ephraim Daniels d. at sea in 1747. It must have been inhabited until several years later.

No. 7. — The Cobb-orchard cellar-hole, famous as a school-district bound, is situated in an obscure spot, once accessible by a bridle-path from Howardtown, formerly so called, out to Sherborn road. It is an ancient home-site, said to have been once inhabited by a family named Lewis, and afterwards by Capt. Samuel Cobb, the father of Col. Ethan Cobb. From Capt. Samuel it took its name, and probably his family last dwelt there; though of this I am not certain. It was shown me some months since by Mr. Jno. P. Daniels. I judge it to lie about one-third of a mile south by west from the Chessman mansion on Bear Hill.

No. 8 is on Cedar St. towards Hopkinton, on the estate now owned by John Hicks, and formerly by Moses Adams. There are the remains of a once large and substantially-built house, long inhabited, and I presume erected by Samuel Bowker. In his days the locality was in Hopkinton; but it was brought within our limits by re-adjustment of town-lines in 1835.

No. 9, on Deer St., west of the Wild-cat Mill-pond, long stood the

ancient domicile of Wales Cheney. There I ministered at his funeral in 1825. He d. aged ninety-two. His son Alexander, after building him a new dwelling-house, must, I think, have demolished the paternal home many years ago. What remains to indicate the site, I have not been to see.

No. 10 is on Cedar St., easterly of Pine-grove Cemetery, near where Superintendent Miller's hot-house stands, — an old cellar-hole. As nearly as I can learn, Jonathan Whitney dwelt there on his first coming into our territory. He m. a dr. of Elder John Jones, in 1727, and probably took up his abode on this spot about that time. Of this, however, I am not quite certain; but if he did not build the house on this site, I have found no hint who his predecessor was. The dwelling was afterwards tenanted many years by Edward Desper, latterly spelled Despeaux, the father of Jason, Jesse, etc., well known to our elderly people. It was demolished over half a century ago, for I saw nothing of it when I first came into town.

No. 11 is a cellar-hole one-fourth of a mile or more towards the Centre, on the west side of the same street, northerly from the Catholic cemetery, on a bend of the old road adjacent to Cedar Swamp. This bend was left several rods northerly by the present street as straightened a few years since. I have tried in vain to ascertain the original owner of this home and its successive occupants. It may have belonged to the estate of Thomas Gage, or to that of Thomas Tenney. I must leave the matter in obscurity.

No. 12 is on the north side of the old turnpike, opposite the Bicknell Cemetery, formerly called the Dr. Thurber Burying-ground, close to our southern line. There we find the cellar and chimney rubbish. There is some reason to believe that this site was first inhabited by John Albee and his wife Deborah (Thayer), before 1710; but this is not certain, — only probable. Joseph Corbett, youngest son of the first Dr. John Corbett, who married John Albee's dr. Deborah, is known to have dwelt there many years. They probably inherited the place from her father. They were the grandparents of Ichabod Corbett, well known to our townsfolk over fifty years old. His grandparents brought him up, and perhaps gave him the homestead. Anyhow, he owned and dwelt in it a long time. The ancient domicile was standing in 1824, for I attended the funeral of a child there during that year. It was then in a dilapidated state, and must have been taken down not long after.

No. 13 designates two cellar-holes on Plain St., opposite the Gaskill Race-course that existed several years ago. Its poplar-tree or two and lilac shrubbery have long rendered it noticeable. The build-

ings must have been gone, I think, nearly half a century; as I do not recollect seeing any dwellings there during the last forty years. I have not yet mastered the history of this home-site to my satisfaction. It has been called the Stoddard place, one or two generations of that name having been many years dwellers there. I am told that they were preceded by one of the Rockwood families, and that they had some successors. Jeremiah Stoddard, sen. and jun., came from Hingham to this town, in 1782, and both dwelt on these premises with their respective families; but who built the houses, I know not.

No. 14 is on Warfield St., plainly observable to attentive passers, on the south-westerly side of the way. It is called the Abijah Warfield place. He was the father of Obadiah, Elijah, and Ebenezer, and grandfather to James M., William, David, etc. I have understood the place was originally owned by one of the Wheelocks, the father of Mrs. Abijah Warfield. If so, the house was probably built by him. It was a very substantial fabric, and was demolished but a few years ago.

No. 15 is on the Lowell Fales place, near the junction of Mellen and Plain Sts., on the northerly side towards the Fales residence. Long ago the road now called Plain St. is said to have run just west of this site, nearly in range with the Fales barn, and so northerly on the edge of the sandy ridge, nearly out to the junction of Plain and Mill Sts. This site is hardly perceptible, but of undoubted existence. It is a very ancient one, but I have been unable to master its history. It may have been the home of the first Obadiah Wheelock, who, I believe, once owned the adjacent lands. Let some antiquary study the case.

No. 16 is on the south side of Mellen St., nearly opposite to what was sometimes called the School-house Common. It is perceptible, but not very distinct. I suppose it to have been the home of Benjamin Albee, sen., the gt. gt. grandfather of our Joseph and Stephen Albee. It has been abandoned perhaps a century.

No. 17 is on Howard St., about twenty rods south of the widow Pond place, long so called, near the river. I have but once examined it. From what I have heard, I presume it must have been the home of John Rockwood, say one hundred and fifty years ago. He was a grandson of John Rockwood, one of the original Mendon proprietors, who handed down to his posterity extensive "layings-out" of land on our territory.

Two old cellars have been described to me as existing on the south side of Mellen St., in the vicinity of the Henry Mellen place, now owned by Albert Ham; but I have not seen them, nor obtained

any clew to their original ownership. I am told that they are not more than five or six rods inland from the street, and about forty rods apart. They must have been the homes of first settlers in that neighborhood, and it would be interesting to learn who those settlers were.

No. 18 is near the junction of Plain and Mill Sts., on the west side. This was the dwelling-place first of David Hayward, and afterwards of his only son Ephraim. It must be one hundred and thirty years old. The house was abandoned as a dwelling fifty years ago, I think, and the shell used by Lowell Fales as a carpenter's shop. It has been demolished perhaps twenty years or thereabouts.

No. 19 is on Cortland St., several rods north-westerly of its junction with South Main, on the north-easterly side. Joseph Johnson dwelt there at one time, and after him Nathan Fletcher. When built or when abandoned, I am not informed.

No. 20 is on the same street, south-westerly side, fifty rods perhaps north-westerly of the last mentioned. It would be hardly discoverable by a stranger, but was pointed out to me by Mr. Hurley, a near dweller, who, I believe, now owns the land on which it is situated. I am told, on good authority, that it was the home of Stephen Chapin before he bought the place on Main St. where he died.

No. 21 is on the same street and side of the street, on a flat at the foot of the hill. An obvious hollow in the ground and an old well mark the spot. The venerable Dea. Peter Rockwood told me that Obadiah Wood, father of Nathan Wood, dwelt here at one time.

No. 22 is on the southerly side of Main Street, on high land of Charles F. Chapin, nearly opposite the plaster-covered house built by the late Sylvanus Adams. It is quite obliterated, and I should never have found it without a well-informed guide. Here dwelt the first William Cheney for many years, who took up common land and settled on it in 1706 or 1707. Probably the house was of cheap construction, and did not attain a very old age. I suspect it was abandoned for one on the opposite side of the street; which, however, is untraceable.

No. 23 is on the east side of Hopedale St., some forty or fifty rods south of where it crosses Main. It is completely obliterated, and I should not have known the spot had not the late Henry Chapin certified it. The site occupied the swell of land ten or fifteen rods northerly of Thomas Moore's cottage. There dwelt and died Seth Chapin, jun., one of the wealthiest men on our territory at his death in 1740. His eldest son Josiah, grandfather of Henry above named, occupied the premises some years until he built anew near the site

now occupied by Samuel Walker's mansion. Date of demolition never told me.

No. 24 is the site of the "Old Jones House" in Hopedale, believed to have been built in part by Elder John Jones about the year 1703. It was greatly enlarged by him and his son Joseph in 1735. Its historic fame has given it much celebrity. It was demolished in October, 1874; and its remains have been nearly swept away.

No. 25 is on Freedom St., north-westerly of Hopedale Village, on the easterly side of the street. It is not conspicuous, but plainly discernible. This was for several years the home of Joseph Marshall. He came from Holliston not far from 1750; and, having purchased small parcels of land of Joseph Jones and others hereabouts, built himself a modest dwelling on this site. He does not appear to have remained very long here. I think the place was ultimately bought by one of the Jones family, and became incorporated into the so-called "Jones farm." What successive owners or tenants occupied it meantime I have not critically inquired.

No. 26 is the "White place" so called, which was once a short distance from the road that led across Mill River, nearly west from Ransom J. Clark's on Green St. to the Eight-Rod Road near its junction with Mill St. That road was long ago discontinued, and this site left to commemorate itself by its ruins. These are now to be found in the open pasture owned by Albert Gaskill, which formerly belonged to the Esek Green farm. I suppose the site must have been abandoned before the road was discontinued, which was in 1791. The house was built and long occupied by descendants of Joseph White, one of the most eminent original proprietors of Mendon. I have not traced out the particulars.

No. 27 is the Ramsdell place, on John Mann's estate, close to the Eight-Rod Road, near where it was crossed by Post Lane. It was the home of Moses Ramsdell some years before the incorporation of Milford, and long afterwards. There he raised up a large family, most of whom emigrated from town. His son Saul, however, remained, inherited the estate in part, and died in the old domicile at an advanced age in 1836; as I know, from the fact of attending his funeral. The time-shattered house must have been abandoned soon after. The ruins are there; and one or two Lombardy poplars still stand, conspicuous indicators of the departed habitation.

No. 28 is another Ramsdell place, on the same road, half a mile or more northward. It is on land now owned by William Bancroft of Hopedale, really a wood-lot. Its history is obscure. I viewed the

ruins some time ago. They are unmistakable, but indicate a small and cheaply-constructed home. From all I can learn, it was built and occupied for a while by Moses Ramsdell, jun. It was an undesirable location, and he had good reason to quit it for a more congenial neighborhood. It was probably sold, and the frame removed, perhaps seventy-five years ago. Particulars not ascertained.

No. 29 is on what we may call the north fork of Freedom St., not far from the "Salt Box" (of undignified memory), on the opposite side of the way. I never viewed it, and judge, from descriptions given, that the remains, though obvious, are not very distinct. I understand this to have been the home of Josiah Nelson previous to 1784, and later of his son Paul for a few years; still later it was occupied by tenants. When and by whom the domicile was built or demolished, I have not been told.

No. 30 is the Cutler place, on an old discontinued "Drift-Way or Bridle-Road," that led from what is now Freedom St., north-eastwardly, over the Cutler bridge, towards the Dea. Rawson place. David Cutler was its most prominent early owner, and dwelt, in 1760, where the ruins now are. Then said "Drift-Way" was laid. I have never been there to inspect the site, but am told that it is situated on a north-easterly line from the Cutler bridge, forty rods or more in the direction of the Rawson estate. I suppose the Cutler place descended to his heirs, was sold out to different purchasers, and ere long passed out of the family name. The house is said to have been tenanted last by one Pease, who had Indian blood in his veins. I have not been told the date of its final abandonment.

No. 31 is on Freedom St., above Felix Kearney's place, in the pasture, on the south side of the street, forty or fifty rods easterly of Kearney's new dwelling-house. There we find plain indications of a cellar, and not far off an old well. The ruins are much obliterated, and show that the site was long ago abandoned. It is believed to have been the cheaply-constructed home of the first Benjamin Wheaton, an early settler, and contemporary of Elder John Jones. He owned a tract of land thereabouts and eastward of not less than eighty acres, perhaps in all a hundred. The Scammell farm comprised the bulk of it; having been purchased of one Sleman, who bought it of this Benjamin Wheaton, or his son of the same name. Dr. Samuel Scammell is said to have lived here a while after he purchased the place.

No. 32 is somewhat off of any present road, but nearest to that part of Highland St. northerly of Laurel, almost to the woods on the west side. I have never visited this site, and can locate it but

awkwardly; yet I know from the records, as well as verbal testimony, that it is a reality. It was the home of Dearing Jones, a nephew of Elder John. He came from Hull soon after 1730, acquired several parcels of land, in all sixty acres, and built him some sort of a dwelling-house, where now remain what we may call a cellar-hole and two wells, as I am told. He died in 1745, and his brother Abraham of Hull settled his estate. I suppose the place was sold not long afterwards, and his lands absorbed by adjacent proprietors. How soon the buildings disappeared I have never heard.

No. 33 is on the same street, next northward of the Cleveland estate, known in our time as the Amasa Leland place. He bought it of David Gage in 1817. This site is some rods inward from the street, on the west side. There dwelt Moses Gage, the father of David, etc. This Moses was called "jun." in 1760, and probably his father may have preceded him in the same home. Moses, sen., was married to Sarah Nelson 1737, and d. 1774. Moses, jun., d. in 1802.

No. 34 includes two sites on the same street further northward, on land now owned by Augustus Thayer, nearly opposite to each other. The old chimney of the easterly site stood in monumental ruin many years, and, for aught I know, stands yet. Here lived, long ago, Phinehas Davis, and near by, on the other side, his son Moses. If I understand the laying-out record of what now makes the larger portion of Highland St., one Daniel White inhabited this locality in 1749. If so, it is probable that he built the oldest of the two homes. Phinehas Davis m. Molly Gage 1764, and d. 1822. Moses Davis m. Bethia Beal 1790, and d. 1838. Who have occupied these Davis places since, I am not informed.

No. 35 is the cellar-hole of the second Josiah Kilburn's dwelling-house, in which he dwelt when I first came into town, over fifty-seven years ago. It stood on the south side of the old road to Medway. Most of that road was discontinued soon after, being superseded in 1835 by the new road, now called Medway St. Ferguson St. re-opened the westerly end of the old road up to within forty or fifty rods of the ruins under notice. Hiram Kilburn, son of the second Josiah, built the house on Medway St. now owned by Thomas W. Wood, nearly south of the ancient domicile, perhaps one hundred rods, more or less, from it. I suppose he must have demolished the old dilapidated house soon after building his new one. I suspect the old house was built long before it came into possession of Hiram's father. I leave to others the task and pleasure of searching out its builder.

No. 36 presents the remains of John Thwing's home. His house

and tannery stood on the "Drift-Way," so called, leading from Post Lane, by the present Hopedale Cemetery, out to Elder John Jones's. John Thwing, gt. grandfather to our Almon Thwing, m. Mercy Jones, dr. of Elder John, not far from 1728. He first dwelt in what is now Milford Centre, but soon afterwards settled in the neighborhood of his wife's father, on the aforesaid "Drift-Way," a short distance from Post Lane. The ruins are on the south end of a hill which at one time bore the name of "Bannock Hill." The old tan-vats are nearly obliterated, but the cellar is distinctly cognizable. The house was of the underground style; and the open part of the basement was used as a currier's shop, whilst the family dwelt above. It would appear, however, that he owned another dwelling-house, a little to the south-east, on the north side of Post Lane, not far from a small tenement now belonging to Samuel Walker; and the records leave me a little puzzled to decide whether he probably dwelt at different times in both these houses. In 1766 he sold a considerable part, if not all, his real estate, in two parcels, — one parcel to Gershom and Josiah Nelson, and another to his son-in-law, Samuel Torrey. From this date I have lost the track of him, but hope to find it before I complete my Genealogical Register, which is to constitute Part II. of this work.

No. 37 is on Howard St., on the left-hand side, about one-third of a mile south-easterly from Alonzo J. F. Howard's. There dwelt Bazillai Albee, one hundred years ago and downward. Whether either of his five sons occupied the place after him, I know not; but it is probable. When it was abandoned, I have not ascertained; perhaps sixty or seventy years ago.

Here I close this list of abandoned home-sites; omitting several, some of which may seem quite as worthy of notice to those acquainted with them as most of the thirty-seven described.

DESCENT OF LANDS AND LOCAL CHANGES.

Very few of the homestead lands of Milford ever descended in the same family lineage to the fourth generation, a comparatively small number to the third, and the majority not even to the second. The possession of real estate has, for the most part, been quite fickle and transitory. Our population has been largely migratory, — coming and going. Some towns can boast of numerous homes now inherited by the sixth or seventh generation. Not so ours. The only inheritors of the fourth generation I can now think of are the following named: Eld. Daniel Corbett, and Dea. Daniel, his only son, after him, owned several hundred acres in North Purchase, of which, I am informed,

Charles P. Corbett, gt. gt. grandson of the first named, owns thirty-eight acres. Of the large farm once possessed by Ebenezer Sumner, sen., in the No. Purchase, his gt. grandsons, Andrew J. and Albert M. Sumner, retain their hold on less than thirty-five acres. Elias Whitney, sen., became possessed, in 1764, of perhaps the identical homestead, in Bear Hill district, now owned by his gt. grandson, our present Elias Whitney. It is a farm of about sixty acres. The Ebenezer Holbrook estate, in the same district, has gone out of the name, with the exception of about twenty acres, owned by his grandson, Horace Holbrook. Whether Eliphalet, the gt. grandfather of Horace, owned this land, I am not certain, but rather think he did. If so, it is in the hands of the fourth generation; if not, it belongs to one of the third. In what was at one time called Howardtown, considerable portions of real estate remain in possession of the ancient lineage, though but fractions of the many hundred acres once possessed in that neighborhood by the first, second, and third generations of the Haywards. (For it must be understood that our Milford Howards were all Haywards till some of them took a fancy to call themselves Howards.) Samuel Hayward, one of the rich Mendon proprietors, took up much land within our territory, and largely endowed several of his sons with portions of it. Hollis Howard, with his sisters, Mrs. Montague and Mrs. Bowker, present inheritors, are of the sixth generation from Samuel Hayward, the original Mendon proprietor; viz., Samuel, Jonathan, Samuel, Warfield, Abijah, and Hollis. And Alonzo J. F. Howard is of the seventh generation in the same line; adding to Warfield Joel, Joel, Alonzo. This is the only case in town of lands continuing so long in one lineage.

Charles F. Chapin and his sister, Mrs. Obed Daniels, inherit lands which once belonged to Seth Chapin, jun., and have been mostly owned by Chapins for one hundred and fifty years; but as these inheritors are descendants of Joseph Chapin, a brother of Seth, jun., through Ephraim and Amos, they can hardly be reckoned as continuators of more than the third generation, beginning with their grandfather, Ephraim. About the same may be said of the Col. Ichabod Thayer place and its present inheritors, who are of the third, or, perhaps in part, of the fourth generation. So the Seth Thayer place, in part, lingers in the hands of the fourth generation, through female descent. Besides the few forementioned homesteads, I know of no others to place in the same category, i.e., belonging to the present generation.

To give the reader an impressive conception of the mutability of real-estate ownership in town, I will present a few specimens. There

is what, a few years since, we called the Elihu Perry place, long a homestead of some seventy acres. Mendon proprietors laid it out to Eld. John Jones, who sold it to Abijah French, who sold it to John Hill, he to Aaron Merrifield, he to Elihu Perry, from whom it descended to his son Dana Perry, who sold it to Thomas Thaine, he to E. D. Draper, he to Stephen Cook, he to Amos Cook, he to Moses Harris, etc. Here is another specimen, the Zuriel Howard place, so called for many years of the present century. Mendon proprietors laid it out to Capt. Seth Chapin; i.e., thirty acres of the home part in 1707, and more at other times. He sold out to Josiah Wood, he to Gershom Nelson, from whom it descended to his son Nehemiah Nelson, who sold it to Barnabas Rawson, he to Joseph Penniman, he to John Hill, he or his heirs to Ralph Earl, he to Ephraim Chapin, he to Zuriel Howard, and his heirs to Sylvanus Adams, whence it descended to his son Abner. Another, — the place on our south-westerly border, now owned by Lewis B. Gaskill. I think he had it of his father, Nahum, or grandfather, Samuel Gaskill, who had it of James Allen or heirs, who had it of Alvan Allen, who had it of George Kelley or his heirs, who had it of (perhaps) Jeremiah Kelley, or through him of William Sheffield, who had it of David How, who had it of James Wood, who had it of Benjamin Wheelock and sons, who had it of Matthias Puffer or heirs, who had it of the first Benjamin Albee or heirs, who had it of the town of Mendon over two hundred years ago. One more, — the Capt. Ezra Nelson place, so called for many years. The successive owners have been Mendon proprietors, Angel Torrey, heirs of Angel Torrey, Ebenezer Torrey, Josiah Nelson, his son Ezra Nelson, his heirs, Thomas Thaine, Elbridge G. Cook, Orison Underwood, John S. Mead, Mrs. Hepsie W. Chapman, wife of Nathan Chapman, Herbert Mosely, and now George W. Cromb. This is the last and present owner. A majority of the homesteads throughout the town have changed owners much after the same fashion.

REAL ESTATE EVER OWNED BY THE TOWN, AND INTERESTING CHRONICLES.

The following tables show all the parcels of real estate ever owned by the Town, so far as I have been able to ascertain. Table I. shows all the parcels that ever came into the Town's possession, from whom, when, the premises, consideration, for what use, and particulars of record. Table II. shows all the parcels sold out and conveyed by the Town to other owners, to whom, when, the premises, consideration, and particulars of record. I believe Worcester Registry contains all the records.

TABLE I. — *Real Estate conveyed to the Town.*

From whom.	When.	Premises.	Consideration.	Use.	Record.
Jonathan Jones (prob.)	Voted 1781,	Few square rods	Not given.	Pound	Not on record.
Samuel French	April 26, 1786,	8 acres 52 rods	£49 19s.	Not given	B. 99, p. 400.
Ephraim Twitchell	1 1798,	Strip of land	25s.	Burial-ground	No deed found.
Dea. Nathaniel Rawso	1 1798,	Small place	Not given.	For Jno. Lessure	No deed found.
Elijah Albee	Jan. 20, 1801,	66 rods	$2 00	So. burial-ground,	Deed not recorded.
Peter Brown	April 10, 1801,	4 acres and b'dings,	76 94	Mortgage	B. 143, p. 643.
Elijah Thayer	April 7, 1809,	81 rods	50 62½	Burial-ground	B. 183, p. 485.
Eldad Atwood	April 1, 1811,	3 pieces and b'd'gs,	150 00	Assistance	B. 183, p 483.
Caleb Cheney	Aug. 29, 1811,	10½ acres, etc.	241 50	Assistance	B. 183, p. 485.
Nathaniel Bennett	March 23, 1812,	Small piece	Exchange lots.	Pound	B. 183, p. 184.
Elijah Albee	April 19, 1813,	Quan. not named	$300 00	School Dist. No. 6,	B. 211, p. 143.
Darius Sumner	July 13, 1819,	1½ acres	$5 nominally.	For town-house	B. 236, p. 378.
Amariah Daniels	Feb. 17, 1825,	119 ac., b'd'gs, etc.	$3,500 00	Asylum	B. 249, p. 33.
Darius Sumner	March 2, 1830,	12½ rods	50 00	School Dist. No. 1,	B. 271, p. 415.
Phinehas Eames	Jan. 31, 1832,	6 rods	35 00	School Dist. No. 3,	B. 286, p. 379.
Josiah Ball	July 4, 1832,	2,700 feet	Gift.	School Dist. No. 2,	B. 288, p. 458.
Joseph Albee	Sept. 10, 1836,	80 rods	$10 00	So. burial-ground,	B. 319, p. 256.
Samuel Oliver	Nov. 13, 1837,	12 acres 38 rods	300 00	For burials, etc.	B. 329, p. 507.
Darius Sumner	June 17, 1841,	15 rods	150 00	School Dist. No. 2,	B. 365, p. 100.
Silas Parkhurst	June 24, 1841,	12 rods	24 00	School Dist. No. 10,	B. 367, p. 357.
John Hero	May 1, 1840,	9 rods	10 00	School Dist. No. 8,	B. 385, p. 5.
William R. Bliss	Feb. 24, 1844,	5 rods	50 00	Engine-house	B. 386, p. 333.
Aaron Claflin	Quitclaim	the	last	mentioned.	B. 386, p. 334.
Academy Proprietors	Aug. 13, 1841,	Buildings and land,	825 00	School Dist. No. 3,	B. 394, pp. 232-47.
Amariah Taft	May 1, 1845,	¼ acre	20 00	School Dist. No. 7,	B. 404, p. 123.
Gershom Twitchell	May 11, 1849,	1 acre	1,005 00	High School	B. 459, p. 17.
Ellis Sumner	– 1849,	2 acres	200 00	No. burial-ground,	No deed nor record.
Otis Thayer	May 22, 1854,	On Thayer and Main Sts.	575 00	School-lot	B. 526, p. 616.

Samuel Gaskill	June 1, 1855,	109 rods	68 12	So. Milford sch.-lot,	B. 532, p. 202.
Leonard Chapin	April 26, 1858,	Not specified	180 00	School-lot	B. 603, p. 493.
Jno. P. and Austin Daniels,	April 20, 1858,	61 $\frac{67}{100}$ rods	200 00	School-lot	B. 603, p. 495.
John Goldsmith	July 1, 1857,	Not specified	5 00		B. 603, p. 496.
Meltiah M. Marsh	April 27, 1858,	Not specified	180 00	School-lot	B. 603, p. 497.
Horatio M. Nelson	April 27, 1858,	24 rods	275 00	School-lot	B. 603, p. 498.
Abel Albee	May 2, 1859,	21 acres 23 rods	1,680 43	V. G. Cemetery	B. 624, p. 355.
William S. Fales	April 27, 1858,	25 rods	450 00		B. 629, p. 220.
James Conlin	Sept. 11, 1860,	64 rods	360 00	School-lot	B. 632, p. 122.
Abigail Twitchell	Sept. 28, 1860,	Quitclaim	Not given.	High-school lot	B. 634, p. 97.
Charles Chapin	March 21, 1863,	Land, etc.	$9 00	Taxes	B. 662, p. 551.
Patrick Farrell	March 24, 1863,	Land, etc.	47 15	Taxes	B. 662, p. 553.
Michael Kelley	March 21, 1863,	Land, etc.	7 34	Taxes	B. 662, p. 556.
Emmons Twitchell	July 1, 1863,	15 acres	10,000 00	Park	B. 668, p. 188.
James Corbett	Sept. 5, 1864,	Land, etc.	13 14	Taxes	B. 692, p. 108.
Thomas De Lancy	Sept. 5, 1864,	Land, etc.	11 52	Taxes	B. 668, p. 110.
John Horner	Sept. 5, 1864,	Land, etc.	18 43	Taxes	B. 692, p. 111.
Thomas Murry	Sept. 5, 1864,	Land, etc.	15 13	Taxes	B. 692, p. 114.
Daniel Tyler	June 29, 1864,	$\frac{1}{2}$ acre	50 00	School-lot	B. 694, p. 65.
Lorenzo Ball	July 13, 1865,	52 acres	2 82	Taxes	B. 708, p. 5.
Emmons Twitchell	April 26, 1864,	72 rods	800 00	School-lot	B. 710, p. 280.
Izanna C. Chapin	May 1, 1866,	65 rods	375 00	School-lot	B. 726, p. 441.[2]
Ebenezer and Geo. Draper,	June 7, 1867,	Land	250 00	School-lot[2]	B. 749, p. 523.
Michael A. Blunt	Jan. 8, 1868,	Land	700 00	Engine-house	B. 759, p. 228.
Serena Bragg	Jan. 29, 1869,	5 $\frac{1}{16}$ rods	75 00	–	B. 781, p. 580.
Mary Fiske	Aug. 29, 1869,	Lot	450 00	–	B. 826, p. 604.
John Sullivan	Aug. 11, 1873,	Tract	265 00	–	B. 944, p. 586.
George Draper	Nov. 12, 1873,	Small piece	50 00	Engine-house	B. 911, p. 383.
Edwin A. Albee	March 10, 1874,	Lot	94 25	Taxes	B. 922, p. 207.
Ella Cook	March 10, 1874,	Lot	23 85	Taxes	B. 922, p. 209.
John Pettis	March 10, 1874,	Lot	19 45	Taxes	B. 922, p. 212.
Edward Walpole	March 10, 1874,	Lot	50 25	Taxes	B. 922, p. 214.
Appleton Bragg	March 18, 1875,	Estate	140 92	Taxes	B. 950, p. 532.
Sullivan, Jones, etc.	March 18, 1878,	A lease	–	–	B. 1,027, p. 183.

[1] See Town votes April 2, 1798, and Jan. 31, 1798.

[2] See also B. 776, p. 15.

TABLE II. — *Real Estate conveyed by the Town.*

To whom.	When.	Premises.	Consideration.	Record.
Elijah Thayer	March 2, 1787,	8 acres and 52 rods	£49 19s.	B. 101, p. 432.
Daniel Wedge[1]	May 5, 1794,	Gore of land	Exchange of pcs.	Deed nor record found.
Edmund Bowker	April 13, 1812,	3 acres	$85 00	B. 183, p. 486.
Deborah and Mercy Kilburn	April 4, 1831,	1 acre and dwelling	118 89	B. 281, p. 246.
Oliver B. Parkhurst	Sept. 7, 1841,	2 parcels, 5 acres +	125 00	B. 363, p. 130.
Newell Nelson	March 24, 1849,	Burial-lot	1 00	B. 480, p. 430.
Joseph Albee	May –, 1856,	3,322 feet	125 00	B. 566, p. 378.
Obadiah W. Albee	May 21, 1856,	Old schoolhouse site	25 00	B. 574, p. 307.
John S. Horton	July 13, 1863,	Burial lot	12 00	B. 679, p. 169.
Elbridge Mann	May 8, 1867,	Lot on Main St.	1,000 00	B. 747, p. 371.
Albert Wood	Sept. 26, 1867,	Lots quitclaimed	Taxed lands.	B. 755, p. 502.
Gerry W. Cochran	June 1, 1869,	Tract near depot	$4,125 00	B. 789, p. 590.
Mary Fiske	Aug. 29, 1870,	Tract on Congress St.	250 00	B. 825, p. 144.
Congregational Parish	Sept. 3, 1870,	Piece on Congress St.	133 33	B. 825, p. 146.
Woonsocket Railroad	Sept. 1, 1867,	Tract S. side Central St.	3,500 00	B. 879, p. 69.
Amariah A. Taft	June 5, 1874,	Release Gates estate	16 00	B. 926, p. 639.
Amariah A. Taft	April 14, 1875,	Lot on Grove St., etc.	104 00	B. 955, p. 37.

[1] See vote of the town May 5, 1794.

[2] See B. 692, pp. 109, 111, 114.

INTERESTING CHRONICLES.

A vague tradition says that a savage murder was committed on the southern slope of Bear Hill, about a hundred and seventy years ago, by a band of Indians under a chief named Long David; that they killed one Albee, and burnt his mangled corpse on a noted rock there; and that one Hayward avenged Albee's death by clandestinely shooting Long David. It says that he accomplished this, and buried the body so artfully, that the Indians were completely mystified; and, though they heard the report of Hayward's gun, and strongly suspected him, he deceived them by pretending to have killed a bear, and showing them a fresh bear-skin. I have tried in vain to authenticate this tradition, and must confess my doubts of its truth.

1781. — Books for the record of births and deaths procured; but the blank leaves of the Precinct Book were used to record the Town's proceedings in till 1797.

The first pound ordered to be built on a site selected by a viewing committee, "a little north-east of the meeting-house by an oak-tree;" supposed to have stood just behind where Blunt's store-block now stands. The pound afterwards removed. (See farther along.)

"Voted to forego Robert Mingoe's rates, past, present, and to come." He was a poor negro, who had been a slave. In 1784 a similar vote was passed, exempting Andrew Dewner, another poor colored man, from paying poll-taxes.

Assessors allowed two shillings per day for nine days' service in taking the valuation; three dollars each; nine dollars total.

1782. — Weights and measures procured. Stocks for the punishment of petty offenders ordered by vote to be procured, but nothing further about them appears on record.

Swine were allowed, by annual vote, to run at large till 1799, "if yoked and rung according to law;" and the custom was adopted of honoring several newly-married husbands with the office of *hog reeve*.

Deer reeves were annually chosen down to 1794; and, being a mere honorary office, it was usually conferred on venerable elders, deacons, or quite aged citizens.

1793. — Constables first required to give bonds as collectors of taxes.

1794. — First plan of the town ordered to be taken. Col. Ichabod Thayer, Lt. Ephraim Chapin, and Lt. David Stearns, committee. Joseph Sumner, their surveyor. Another plan 1830.

1797–98. — A bounty voted for the destruction of crows: one shilling per crow, sixpence per young crow, and twopence per egg; provided, always, that the victim be taken within our town-limits.

1799. — Small-pox inoculation allowed under wholesome restrictions, and one or more pest-houses opened. One of these is said to have been the old Bowker place on So. Main St., near where Plain St. forks off.

This year a sort of charity tax was voted to aid Phinehas Eames in rebuilding his house, destroyed by fire March 31, in which his son and two journeymen perished. Sum voted, three hundred dollars; payment to be voluntary. Lieut. Ephraim Chapin, special collector; he with Col. Ichabod Thayer and Lieut. David Stearns made a committee of relief and assistance. The tax believed to have been cheerfully paid in full.

1806. — The hateful old custom of vendueing the poor abolished by vote, moved and persistently urged by Arial Bragg.

1810. — Kine-pox vaccination first authorized by Town vote.

1811. — Nathaniel Bennett permitted to remove the old pound from near his premises (now owned by Capt. Waldo C. Perry, 174 Main St.) to its present location, on certain conditions, with which he complied.

1825. — Town farm and asylum voted and provided for.

1826. — Voted to pay the assessors ten shillings each for making taxes this year and last.

1828. — On proposition to divide the county; yeas eighty-eight, nays two.

1835. — First attempt, by motion, to have the selectmen refuse approbations for license to sell intoxicating liquors. No vote reached.

Passed over the old customary article in town-warrant about permitting swine, neat cattle, and horses running at large, — long a dead formality. Never afterwards repeated.

Good stone monuments ordered on Mendon line.

The hearse-house removed from its old position.

1837. — Sullivan Sumner, town treasurer, authorized to receive the town's proportion of the U. S. surplus revenue, and a part thereof appropriated to pay town debts.

1838. — Fire-wards first chosen.

1841. — Tithingmen finally ceased to be chosen.

All useless books and papers in the town-clerk's office ordered to be sold at public auction.

1842–43. — Reports of selectmen and overseers of the poor first ordered printed, to the number of five hundred copies.

1843. — Selectmen instructed not to approbate any one for license to retail intoxicating drinks, and a committee appointed to suppress illegal sales. Similar action taken in 1852.

1848, July 1. — The Branch R. Road from Framingham to Milford opened with jubilant celebration and general rejoicing.

1849. — The lock-up in old town-house voted.

1851. — The assessors allowed a dollar and a half per day for services.

1853. — Voted to build a new town-house; committee's report on plans accepted; building committee of seven chosen, and instructed not to exceed the cost of thirteen thousand dollars.

1854. — Voted, if the Legislature will set off a new county, and make Milford its county-seat, to furnish county accommodations for ten years.

Future town-warrants ordered to be published in "Milford Journal" at a cost not exceeding ten dollars per annum.

School districts abolished as corporate bodies.

Fire department established, according to recent act of the Legislature.

Voted five hundred dollars towards expense of getting a new county.

Selectmen authorized to light the streets as they think proper.

1855. — About mid-summer telegraphic communication established, and the first office opened in the Mansion House.

1856. — Gas-lamp posts, to the number of twelve, ordered to be set up in Main St.

1858. — Town-clock donated by John Erskine, Esq., and an appreciative vote of thanks passed for the same.

The town-library established by vote.

1868, Aug. 1. — The Milford and Woonsocket R. Road opened.

1872, Dec. 24. — The Milford and Hopkinton R. Road opened.

1880, April 1, or soon after. — The Bell Telephone introduced into town by the Central Mass. Telephone Co., and numerous patrons obtained. The lines extend to Hopedale, and afford marvellous facilities for business communication. It is said that conversation can be carried on between Boston and New York almost as freely as if the persons were in the same room.

INNHOLDERS AND RETAILERS OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.

According to the license records of the Court of General Sessions for Worcester County, Capt. Daniel Lovett was the first licensed retailer of spirituous liquors on our territory, as early as 1734. He was a son of James Lovett, and bro. to the wives of Ebenezer and Joseph Sumner. I think he must have dwelt on Main St., nearly opposite the Mansion House, or thereabouts. He probably kept a

small grocery store, or something of the kind. Samuel Thayer, and after him Phinehas Lovett, occupied the same premises, and were licensed retailers in succession.

Our first inn was opened, under regular license, by Ichabod Robinson in 1746, just south of the Lovett place, on what afterwards became famous as the *Col. Godfrey Tavern Stand*, or closely adjacent. The same year, if I do not mistake the records, John Thwing took out license as an innholder for a single year. But where he kept, I am puzzled to guess; possibly at his house on Post Lane; possibly elsewhere. He was afterwards licensed as a retailer. Robinson's inn was regularly licensed and kept open till 1756 or 1757; his widow keeping it some little time after his death, which took place in 1756.

In 1757 Dr. William Jennison bought the now Obed Daniels place of Joshua Chapin, fitted it up, took out license, and opened it as a tavern. This was our second inn. This continued till 1767 or 1768, when Jonathan Jones from Holliston received license as innholder at the old Robinson stand. There he is understood to have continued till 1784, when he sold out to John Robinson, a son of Ichabod, who succeeded him as "landlord." Meantime the So. Milford Penniмans appeared on the stage. Samuel Penniman became a licensed innholder at the four corners in 1778. And I think another of the Pennimans was a retailer, perhaps at the Parkman place in 1769. Of this, however, I am not quite certain. Samuel, the innholder, was known as "Lieut.," or more commonly as "Landlord Penniman." His must be numbered as our third inn. It continued several years as a tavern-stand, perhaps down to Samuel Penniman, jun's., time. All the way through this period the Centre and So. Milford had plenty of retailers.

Samuel Warren appears to have opened some sort of retailing establishment at the Maj. Chapin place in 1788. This was already, or presently became, an inn, and was kept as such by Samuel Warren, jun., and Josiah Nelson, jun., in co.; then for some time by Josiah Nelson alone. When President Washington passed through this town in 1789, he halted at this inn long enough to refresh his horses. And tradition says that Rev. Amariah Frost and others paid their respects to him during his brief stop. This, then, must be reckoned our fourth tavern-stand. Between 1770 and 1798 I find on the license record as retailers the names of Joseph Gibbs, Amariah Frost, jun., John Kilburn, Elias Penniman, Samuel Warren, Elias Parkman, James Mellen, Jacob Town, and Benjamin Godfrey, etc. Godfrey now became innholder, and greatly improved the ancient stand;

being not only a large trader, but a popular landlord. It is claimed for Lieut. Joseph Gibbs, first named of these licensees, that he was the earliest storekeeper in this vicinage entitled to be called a merchant; that is, I suppose, in respect to the extent and variety of his goods. Col. Godfrey, who was his son-in-law, soon assumed the establishment, and greatly expanded its mercantile importance.

In 1799 Pearley Hunt appears on the record as a licensed retailer, having for a considerable time before entered on the career of a merchant at the Godfrey store, and subsequently removed to his location near Charles-river Bridge. From that time Col. Godfrey continued innholder till 1806. During this period of eight years the Centre had for retailers Nathan Parkhurst, Moses Green, Joel Hunt, Stephen Kilburn, Abner Wight, and John Claflin, jun. At So. Milford the innholders were the Pennimans and Elias Parkman, partly at the Corners, and partly at the Parkman place; the one place retailing when the other furnished public entertainment. In 1806 we find Benj. Godfrey, John Claflin, jun., and Elias Parkman licensed innholders.

1807. — John Claflin, jun., and Elias Parkman, innholders; Joel Hunt, Pearley Hunt, John Wood, Saml. Penniman, jun., retailers.

1808. — Same as last year, only adding Benj. Godfrey and Abner Wight as retailers.

1809. — Luther Claflin becomes an innholder with Elias Parkman. Retailers the same.

1810. — Innholders and retailers the same as last year.

1811. — The same innholders. Samuel Penniman, Benj. Godfrey, and Jared Rawson, retailers.

1812. — Innholders, John Claflin, jun., and Elias Parkman. Same retailers.

1813. — S. Milford innholding ends; John Claflin, jun., innholder at the Centre; Samuel Penniman and Pearley Hunt, retailers.

1814. — The same as last year. 1815 same, only adding Sylvester Dean to retailers.

1816. — Admiral Albee, innholder; retailers same as last year.

1817. — Same as 1816.

1818. — Jno. Claflin, jun., innholder; Admiral Albee, P. Hunt, S. Dean, and Samuel Leeds, retailers.

1819. — A new inn opened at Sumner's. Sullivan Sumner and Daniel Hemmenway, innholders; retailers unchanged.

1820. — Same innholders and retailers as in 1819.

1821. — Sullivan Sumner and Admiral Albee, innholders; Albee also a retailer, and Otis Boyden; the other retailers the same.

1822. — S. Sumner, innholder; S. Dean and S. Leeds, retailers.

1823. — S. Sumner and John McWales, innkeepers; John McWales, S. Dean, S. Leeds, and P. Hunt, retailers.

1824. — S. Sumner and Nahum Legg in the taverns; same retailers, excepting that Jno. Claflin, jun., takes the place of Wales.

1825. — S. Sumner and John Claflin, jun., innholders; Samuel Plumb added to the retailers.

1826. — Same as last year, only dropping Plumb, and adding Samuel Penniman as retailers.

1827. — Lewis Johnson and Orrin Sumner appear as retailers.

1828. — S. Sumner still remains at the lower inn, and Aaron Claflin keeps the upper one; retailers the same.

1829. — All the same as last year, except Whitman Bates as retailer at So. Milford.

1830. — Nearly the same innholders and retailers.

I have not thought it advisable to pursue the line of innholders and retailers further, as I have come down to a period within the memory of the older living generation. Whoever may be curious to complete this topic of our history can find the data on record in Worcester.

CHAPTER XVI.

SUCCESSION OF CIVIL OFFICERS, ETC.

Opening Explanatory Statement. — "The Easterly Precinct" of Mendon, before becoming a Town, honored with its Share of Municipal Offices. — Concerning Wardens, Deer Reeves, and Tithingmen, whose Offices became sooner or later Obsolete. — A Table of Milford's Legal and Actual Voters since Incorporation. — Lists of the Principal Town Officers and the Years in which they served, omitting the Minor Grades below Overseers of the Poor. — Military, Religious, and Educational Officers referred to as presented in their Own Distinctive Chapters. — The Names of all our Moderators during the Century, and the Years when they presided once or more. — Our Town Clerks and Treasurers during the Century. — Our Selectmen and their Years of Service. — Our Assessors and theirs. — Our Overseers of the Poor and theirs. — Representatives sent to General Court. — Delegates to Consultive and Constitutional Conventions. — Senators to General Court living in this Town. — Governors, Councillors, etc. — Eminent Natives of the Town that rose to Official Distinction. — Our Justices of the Peace. — Police Court and Officers. — Our Post-offices and Postmasters. — Our Lawyers. — Our Physicians.

I PRESENT in this chapter the succession of our principal civil officers since the incorporation of town in their several departments and functions. Military, educational, and religious officers will be found duly specified in their appropriate chapters. I have taken for granted that such official lists would not only be interesting to many curious readers, but in some respects historically valuable. My chief difficulty has been to decide how far to extend this civil list in respect to grades of officers; but I have concluded to leave out most of the lower grades, as comparatively unimportant, and too numerous for my space. Whether I have wisely included too many or too few of the grades, may be honestly questionable with different minds. I could only follow my own judgment. Before separation from Mendon, I infer from the records that our "Easterly Precinct" had its reasonable share of public offices in the parent town. After incorporation, certain classes of officers, annually chosen for a time, were ultimately dropped, either because the laws were changed, or because they became useless. Thus two or more wardens were annually chosen for half a dozen or more years. These officers were overseers of the poor; and the law made it their duty to govern, inspect, and take care of all persons in town employed at the workhouse, however sent

there, to keep them strictly at work, and to punish idle, disorderly, and refractory ones by moderate whipping or setting them in the stocks. In 1782 this Town chose Lt. Joseph Gibbs and Capt. Saml. Warren as wardens. In other years several were chosen, who appear to have been quite responsible citizens; but they had little or nothing to do in their official line, and so their office became obsolete. Deer-reeves were annually elected down to 1794; but the deer had ceased to need looking after, and the office was only nominal. It was usually conferred on venerable church elders, deacons, etc. Tithingmen were in older times of considerable dignity in guarding the sanctity of the sabbath, keeping unruly youngsters in order during public religious services, and watching over civil morality. More or less exemplary citizens were annually chosen to this office for many years; but either good manners outgrew the need of them, or the town conscience grew too lax to insist on the functions of such dignitaries. In 1839 it was voted to pass over the election of tithingmen. In 1840 several were chosen, but since then none.

Before I proceed to present our lists of civil officers, perhaps I ought to exhibit what may be called the elective or voting forces of the town at different periods since its incorporation. I cannot do this with absolute accuracy, for want of authentic data; but I can do it with proximate general correctness, by guess-work in part and estimation from recorded bases. At incorporation in 1780 our population was 760 souls, which, allowing five to a family, would give 152 families, — probably a fair estimate. Reckoning one voter to a family, there would have been not over 152 voters in town. Starting from this point, I will tabulate, from such reliable data as I possess, the proximate number of our legal and actual voters for such years as I have found convenient, not more than ten apart. I take the *actual* voters from the town records of ballots cast, in the years specified, particularly for governor of the State, which in most cases gives the largest number cast, with certain exceptions, during those years. I will also give the population for the same years, accurately or by estimate.

Year.	Population.	Legal Voters.	Votes for Governor.	Notes, etc.
1780 .	760	152	None this year.	Not organ'd early enough.
1781 .	nearly same.	nearly same.	29	John Hancock.
1785 .	790 probable.	158 probable.	(Reg. Deeds) 74	Benjamin Read.
1789 .	800 probable.	160 probable.	Governor 54	John Hancock.
1795 .	850 probable.	170 known.	Governor 47	Samuel Adams.
1800 .	907 known.	175 probable.	Governor 75	Gerry 67, Strong 8.
1805 .	930 probable.	198 probable.	Governor 113	Sullivan 70, Strong 43.
1810 .	973 known.	180 probable.	Governor 141	Gerry 100, Gore 41.
1815 .	1,050 probable.	190 probable.	Governor 140	Dexter 107, Strong 42.
1820 .	1,160 known.	230 probable.	122	Eustis 84, Brooks 38.
1825 .	1,250 probable.	245 at least.	127	Morton, all but 4.
1830 .	1,360 known.	270 at least.	173	Names not noted.
1835 .	1,500 probable.	300 at least.	178	Morton 108, Everett 70.
1840 .	1,773 known.	354 at least.	390	Morton 217, Davis 173.
1845 .	2,800 probable.	575 at least.	460 or more.	Names omitted.
1850 .	4,819 known.	900 at least.	583	Names omitted.
1855 .	7,489 known.	1,397 at least.	867	Names omitted.
1860 .	9,132 known.	1,500 at least.	939	Names omitted.
1865 .	9,108 known.	1,490 at least.	(1864) 1,170	Names omitted.
1870 .	9,890 known.	1,630 at least.	951	Names omitted.
1875 .	9,818 known.	1,681 at least.	1,261	Names omitted.
1878 .	9,818 known.	1,944 at least.	1,512	Names omitted.

1879, 1880, and 1881 not supposed to vary much from 1878.

This table must pass for what it is worth. I would gladly have made it entirely accurate, but was so baffled in my researches as to leave many points more or less uncertain; though, I think, so nearly proximate to the facts as to preserve the essential usefulness of the specifications. I leave critics to rectify detected errors. It will be seen how large the disproportion is between *legal* and *actual* voters.

I will commence my list with our moderators. There has been a general average of perhaps six or seven town-meetings a year, commencing May 1, 1780. Sometimes only three in a year, but oftener from six to twelve, have been held. At certain of these the selectmen legally preside, but at the others a moderator is specially chosen. The following-named gentlemen have served at least once in each year specified, and some of them several times.

MODERATORS.

Joseph Dorr, Esq., of Mendon, at the original organization, May 1, 1780.
Dr. Samuel Leslie Scammell, 1780, '81, '83, '88.
Daniel Wedge, 1780, '82.
Jonathan Jones, 1780, '82.
Capt. Saml. Warren, 1780, '81, '82, '86.
Capt. Gershom Nelson, 1780, '82, '85.
Edward Rawson, Esq., 1780, '81.
Col. Ichabod Thayer, 1781, '84, '85, '86, '92, '94, '96, '98, 1800, '01, '03, '12.
Col. Samuel Jones, 1782, '89, '90, '91, '92, '94, '95, '96, '97, 98, '99, 1800, '01, '02, '03, '04, '05, '06, '17.

Noah Wiswall, 1783, '87.
Dea. Seth Nelson, 1783, '84.
James Sumner, Esq., 1784.
Adams Chapin, Esq., 1785.
Col. James Mellen, 1785, '89, '90, '92, '93.
Eld. John Chapin, 1786, '87, '93.
Lt. David Stearns, 1787, '88, '99, 1809, '10, '11, '15.
Amos Shepherdson, 1787.
Capt. Nathl. Parkhurst, 1804, '07, '13.
Lt. Ephraim Chapin, 1788, '89, '94, 1800.
Col. Saml. Nelson, 1807, '08, '09, '12, '13, '16.
Pearley Hunt, Esq., 1808, '11, '12, '14, '19, '21, '22, '38.
Esek Green, 1812.
Ebenr. McFarland, 1811.
Majr. Levi Chapin, 1816, '18.
John Claflin, Esq., 1817, '18, '29.
Col. Arial Bragg, 1819, '20, '21, '22, '23, '24, '25, '34, '36, '37.
Dr. Gustavus D. Peck, 1824, '25.
Nahum Legg, 1819, '25, '26, '32.
Col. Saml. L. Scammell, 1825, '26, '27, '28, '29.
Newell Nelson, Esq., 1831.
Capt. Sylvester Dean, 1829, '34, '35, '36, '37, '38, '40, '41.
Isaac Davenport, Esq., 1829, '38, '42, '44, '47.
William Godfrey, 1832, '35.
Clark Ellis, Esq., 1830, '31, '32, '35, '37, '39, '49, '51, '52, '55.
Col. Sullivan Sumner, 1833, '42.
Majr. Clark Sumner, 1833, '38, '43, '44.
Capt. Henry Nelson, 1834, '36, '38, '39, '40, '41, '43, '44, '48, '56.
Hon. Lee Claflin, 1835.
Capt. Rufus Thayer, 1835.
Artemas Thayer, 1835.
Henry Ball, 1835.
Aaron Claflin, 1835, '40, '54.
Amasa Leland, 1836.
John McWales, 1836, '41, '53.
Ellis Sumner, Esq., 1836, '42, '44, '46.
Col. Peter Corbett, 1838.
Africa Madden, 1839.
Capt. Albert Newhall, 1840.
John Erskine, Esq., 1841.
Dexter Walker, 1841.
Seth P. Carpenter, Esq., 1842.
Charles F. Chapin, Esq., 1842, '49, '55, '59, '60.
Alfred Bragg, 1845, '46, '47.
John M. Parkhurst, 1847.
Andrew J. Sumner, Esq., 1845, '48, '49, '51, '58.
James R. Davis, Esq., 1848, '57, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67, '70, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78.

Col. Lewis Johnson, 1848.
Henry Chapin, 1849.
Charles K. Scribner, 1849.
Simpson Bixby, 1850.
George Crocker, 1850.
Otis Parkhurst, jun., Esq., 1850.
John G. Gilbert, 1850.
Elias Whitney, 1851.
Appleton Bragg, 1852.
Charles Leland, 1852.
Gen. Orison Underwood, 1852, '54, '56, '58, '59, '61, '62, '64, '67.
Willard Bragg, 1852.
Edwin Battles, 1854.
Rev. James T. Woodbury, 1853, '54, '55, '59.
Herman H. Bowers, 1855.
Hon. Aaron C. Mayhew, 1843, '49, '53, '57, '59, '61, '62, '63, '66, '73.
Leonard Hunt, 1842.
Col. James H. Barker, 1858.
Amos Holbrook, Esq., 1860.
Capt. Elbridge Mann, 1860.
Bartholomew Wood, 1860.
Dr. A. C. Fay, 1861.
Hon. Winslow Battles, 1862.
George Draper, 1863.
George B. Blake, 1867, '68, '69, '70, '71, '72, '74, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80, '81.
William Spencer, 1869.
Stephen J. Onion, 1870.
Albert C. Withington, 1877.

TOWN CLERKS.

Caleb Cheney, 1781, '82, '83, '87, '88; and also treasurer.
Samuel Jones, 1784, '85, '86, 1807 to 1816.
Adams Chapin, 1789, '90, '91, '92 to 1807.
John Claflin, jun., 1816, '17.
Newell Nelson, 1818 to '26.
Clark Ellis, 1826 to '29.
Isaac Davenport, 1829 to '37.
Newell Nelson, again 1837 to '43.
John Erskine, 1843 to '48.
Leander Holbrook, 1848.
John Erskine, again 1849, '50.
Charles F. Chapin, 1851 to '55, '56 to '59.
William B. Burbank, 1855.
Lewis Fales, 1859 continuously to '81.
Lewis Hayden, 1881.

TOWN TREASURERS.

David Stearns, 1787 to 1826.
Gustavus D. Peck, 1826, '27, '33.
Samuel L. Scammell, 1828, '29.
John Claflin, jun., 1830, '31.
Lee Claflin, 1832.
Sylvester Dean, 1834 to '37, '59 to '64.
Sullivan Sumner, 1837, '38.
George Howe, 1839 to '42.
John Mason, 1842 to '55.
D. P. Walbridge, 1855.
Leonard Hunt, 1856 to '59.
Ethan C. Claflin, 1864 to '81.

SELECTMEN.

I believe the law requires that boards of selectmen shall consist of not less than three members. Our common number has been five, with perhaps now and then less or more. As Milford was incorporated in the midst of the Revolutionary War, two or three of the early boards of selectmen were constituted the town's "Committee of Correspondence," so called. All, or nearly all, the towns in the Commonwealth chose such a committee every year from the outbreak of that war to its close, the particular official duty of which was to consult and act in harmony against the common enemy. This understood, I will proceed, omitting titles, and putting the names abreast: —

Jesse Whitney, 1780.
Caleb Cheney, 1780, '88, '94.
Warfield Hayward, 1780.
Ebenezer Read, 1780.
Stephen Albee, 1780.
Gershom Nelson, 1781.
Samuel Warren, 1781, '86, '95.
Elias Penniman, 1781.
Aaron Merrifield, 1781.
Elijah Thayer, 1781, '94, '96, '97.
Samuel L. Scammell, 1782.
Oliver Daniell, 1782, '87, '88, '91, '93, '96, '97, '98.
Adams Chapin, 1782, '89, '94, '96, 99, 1803.
Michael Madden, 1782.
David Stearns, 1782, '91, '93, '99, 1806, '10, '11, '15.
Jona. Jones, 1783.
John Robinson, 1783.
Noah Wiswall, 1783.
Jesse Hayward, 1783.
Josiah Ball, jun., 1783, '91.
Seth Nelson, 1784, '92.
Seth Thayer, 1784.
Ephraim Chapin, 1784, '87, '88, '94, 1801.
Ephraim Parkhurst, 1784.
Abraham Jones, jun., 1784.
Ichabod Thayer, 1785, '92, '98, 1800, '03, '12.
Robert Corbett, 1785.
Moses Chapin, 1785.
Nathl. Parkhurst, 1785, '91, '95, '99, 1800, '04, '05, '07, '13.
Daniel Wedge, 1785.
John Chapin, 1786, '87.
Mordecai Day, 1786.
Daniel Hunt, 1786.
Benjamin Godfrey, 1786, '92, '98.
Ebenr. Sumner, 1787.
Luke Kelley, 1787.
Obadiah Wood, 1788.
Amos Shepherdson, 1788.
Samuel Jones, 1789, '90, '95, '96, 1801, '02, '05, '08.
Josiah Nelson, 1789.
Darius Sumner, 1789, '90, '97.

Ethan C. Clapp

Jonas Parkhurst, jun., 1789, '93, '98.
Moses Gage, 1790.
James Perry, 1790, '92, '99, 1800, '02, '06, '07, '10, '11.
Samuel Nelson, 1790, '95, 1801, '02, '04, '05, '08, '09.
James Mellen, 1791, '93.
John Scammell, 1792.
Elihu Perry, 1793, 1805, '09, '14, '19.
Samuel Rockwood, 1794.
Nathl. Legg, 1795.
Josiah Nelson, jun., 1796.
Ezekiel Jones, 1796, 1803.
Phinehas Davis, 1797.
John Dewing, 1797.
Ebenezer Sumner, jun., 1798, 1808, '13.
Edmund Bowker, 1799, 1811.
George Kelley, 1800.
John Corbett, 1800, '10.
Hachaliah Whitney, 1801, '04, '08.
Robert Sanders, jun., 1801.
Pearley Hunt, 1802, '06, '09, '13, '14, '19, '20, '21.
Nathan Chapin, 1802.
Abel Albee, 1803.
David Jones, 1803.
Daniel White, 1804.
Levi Chapin, 1804, '07, '12, '14, '15, '16.
John Claflin, jun., 1805, '09, '17, '18, '26, '28, '29, '31, '33.
Samuel Penniman, jun., 1805.
Zuriel Hayward, 1806, '12, '29, '30.
Esek Green, 1807, '10, '12, '20, '23.
Ezra Nelson, 1807, '13, '16, '20, '22, '25.
Ebenezer Hunt, 1808, '19, '21.
Amasa Parkhurst, 1809, '14, '19, '20, 23.
Ira Cleaveland, 1810, '28, '32, '34.
Arial Bragg, 1811, '12, '15, '19, '20, '21, '22, '24.
Abner Pond, 1811.
Ithiel Parkhurst, 1813, '21, '24.
Simeon Nelson, 1814.
John Parkhurst, 1815, '32.
Henry Nelson, 1815, '34, '35, '39, '41, '53.
Rufus Thayer, 1816, '17, '26, '27, '33.
Sullivan Sumner, 1816, '25, '34, '36, '42, '46, '49.
Samuel Daniell, 1816, '26, '31.
Nathan Wood, 1817, '18.
Amariah Daniels, 1817, '21, '22.
Otis Parkhurst, 1817, '37.
Artemas Thayer, 1818, '27, '31, '33.
Silas Parkhurst, 1818, '26, '29, '32.
Alexander Cheney, 1818, '23.
Joel Day, 1822.
Zenas Ball, 1822.
John Wales, 1823.
Eli Chapin, 1823, '24, '28.
Gustavus D. Peck, 1824.
Luther Haven, 1824, '25.
Sylvester Dean, 1824, '39.
Clark Sumner, 1825, '35, '44.
Lee Claflin, 1826, '30, '34.
Samuel L. Scammell, 1827, '36.
Amos Chapin, 1827.
Rufus Chapin, 1827.
William Godfrey, 1828, '36, '38.
Eli Bowker, 1828.
Clark Ellis, 1829, '31, '32, '34, '35, 47, '48.
Moses Adams, 1829.
Amasa Leland, 1830.
Peter Rockwood, 1830.
Samuel Warfield, jun., 1830.
Lovell Clark, 1831.
Lowell Fales, 1832, '33.
Rufus Thayer, 2d, 1833.
Aaron Claflin, 1835, '53.
John Corbett, 1835, '43, '45, '60.
John Mason, 1836, '39, '57.
Hastings Daniels, 1836.
Isaac Davenport, 1837, '38.
John Cheney, 1837.
Dana Perry, 1837.
Adam Hunt, 1837, '43, '46.
Ellis Sumner, 1838, '40, '43.
Seth P. Carpenter, 1838, '44.
Emory Walker, 1838.

Dexter Walker, 1839.
Ziba Thayer, 1839, '54.
David S. Godfrey, 1840.
Orison Underwood, 1840.
Chester Clark, 1840.
Horatio N. Smith, 1840.
Elmer Cobb, 1841.
Joel Holbrook, 1841.
George Hancock, 1841.
Joseph Albee, 1841.
Peter Corbett, 1842.
Jeremiah Kelley, 1842, '51.
Elias Whitney, 1842, '49, '50.
Willard Bragg, 1842.
Otis T. Nelson, 1843.
Willard Haven, 1843, '50.
Hiram Hunt, 1844, '51.
Horace B. Hero, 1844, '48, '50.
Whitman V. Cook, 1844.
Andrew J. Sumner, 1845, '48, '54, 58, '59, '63.
Ira Wight, 1845.
Stephen Cook, 1845.
Elbridge G. Cook, 1845, '64.
Alfred Bragg, 1846, '47.
Martin Fletcher, 1847.
Waldo C. Perry, 1849.
John McWales, 1851, '53, '56.
Appleton Bragg, 1852.
Aaron C. Mayhew, 1852.
James H. Barker, 1852, '58, '59, '61, '67, '68, '72, '73.
Obed Daniels, 1854, '56, '58, '59, '61, '62, '63.
Samuel W. Hayward, 1855.
John G. Gilbert, 1855.
Seth C. Shepard, 1855, '60.
Artemas B. Vant, 1856, '57.
George B. Pierce, 1857, '61.
Zelek Darling, 1860.
George Jones, 1862.
Leonard Hunt, 1862, '63.
Henry O. Lothrop, 1864.
Zibeon C. Field, 1864,' 65,' 66,'70,'71.
John S. Mead, 1864, '65, '66, '70, '71, '78.
William S. Wilkinson, 1864.
James R. Davis, 1865, '66, '67, '71, '74, '75, '76, '80, 81.
Albert C. Withington, 1867, '69, '72.
George B. Blake, 1868.
Lansford B. Felton, 1868.
Richard Carroll, 1869.
Stephen J. Onion, 1869.
Albert M. Sumner, 1870.
Henry C. Scott, 1872, '73.
Zimri Thurber, 1873, '74, '75, '76.
James Bergin, 1874, '75, '77.
Lawrence Read, 1876.
Charles F. Chapin, 1877.
Joseph B. Bancroft, 1877, '78, '79.
Isaac N. Davis, 1878.
Matthew P. Callanan, 1879, '80.
Daniel J. Cronan, 1879, '80.

ASSESSORS.

Adams Chapin, 1780, '85, '89, '98, 1801, '02, '06.
Abraham Jones, jun., 1780, '81.
Joseph Jones, jun., 1780.
Daniel Wedge, 1780, '82.
Jonathan Jones, 1780.
Samuel Warren, 1780, '84.
Amariah Frost, jun., 1781.
Nathaniel Parkhurst, 1781, '97, '98, '99, 1800, '09.
Samuel Jones, 1782, '89, '93, 1803.
Benjamin Godfrey, 1782, '90, '91, '92, '93, '99, 1800, '01.
Timothy Jones, 1783.
Elias Penniman, 1783.
Ebenezer Read, 1783.
James Sumner, 1784.
David Stearns, 1784, '85, '86, '88, '89, '90, '91, '92, '99, 1800, '02, '03, '04, '05, '08, '11, '13, '14, '19.
Elijah Thayer, 1785.
James Mellen, 1786.
Josiah Ball, jun., 1786, '87.
Caleb Boynton, jun., 1787.
Ichabod Corbett, 1787, '88, '94.

James Perry, 1788, 1804, '05, '09, '12, '19, '20, '21.
Ichabod Thayer, 1790, '95, '96, 1811.
Ephraim Chapin, 1791, '92.
Darius Sumner, 1793.
Samuel Nelson, 1794, 1810, '12, '14.
Robert Sanders, jun., 1794, '95, '96.
Daniel White, 1795.
Samuel Penniman, jun., 1796, '97, 1811.
Edmund Bowker, 1797.
Ebenezer McFarland, 1798, 1803, '08, '13.
Simeon Nelson, 1801, '02.
Pearley Hunt, 1804, '05, '07, '10, '12, '15, '21, '22.
Ithiel Parkhurst, 1806, '23.
David Jones, 1806.
John Claflin, jun., 1807, '26, '27, '28, '30, '31.
Ebenezer Hunt, 1807.
Levi Chapin, 1808, '09, '17, '18.
Arial Bragg, 1810, '14, '21, '23, '24, '38.
Esek Green, 1813.
Alexander Cheney, 1815.
Zuriel Hayward, 1816, '17.
Newell Nelson, 1815.
Nahum Legg, 1816.
Ethan Whitney, 1816.
Gustavus D. Peck, 1817.
Ellis Sumner, 1818, '24, '25, '41.
Samuel Daniell, 1818, '24, '28, '30.
Henry Nelson, 1819, '20, '47, '49, '52.
Amasa Parkhurst, 1820.
Samuel Leeds, 1822, '23.
Lee Claflin, 1822.
Joseph Webb, 1825.
Artemas Thayer, 1826.
William Godfrey, 1826, '27, '29, '31, '32.
Eleazer Parkhurst, 1825.
Isaac Davenport, 1827, '28, '29, '30, '32, '33, '34, '35, '36, '37, '38, '43, '46, '48.
Eli Chapin, 1829, '31.
Dexter Walker, 1832.
Clark Ellis, 1833, '40.
Henry Chapin, 1833, '57.
Otis Parkhurst, 1834.
Sylvester Dean, 1834.
Sullivan Sumner, 1835, '36.
George Howe, 1835.
Elmer Cobb, 1836.
Hiram Hunt, 1837.
Waldo C. Perry, 1837.
Jeremiah Kelley, 1838.
Maynard Bragg, 1839.
Peter Corbett, 1839.
Orison Underwood, 1839, '45.
John Corbett, 1840, '48, '53, '54, '55, 57.
Isaac C. Haven, 1840.
John Erskine, 1841, '44, '45, '47, '49, '50.
Simpson Bixby, 1841, '42, '51, '52.
Seth P. Carpenter, 1842, '43.
Aaron C. Mayhew, 1842.
Oliver B. Parkhurst, 1843.
Andrew J. Sumner, 1844, '46, '50, '51, '56, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79.
Elias Whitney, 1844, '54.
Albert Hunt, 1845.
John McWales, 1846, '48.
Leander Holbrook, 1847.
Charles F. Chapin, 1849, '52, '56, '57, '58, '59, '61, '62, '63, '68, '69.
Samuel W. Hayward, 1850, '51, '55.
John Mason, 1853.
Clark Sumner, 1853.
Zelek Darling, 1854.
Alexander T. Wilkinson, 1855, '63, '64.
Edward Woods, 1856.
James H. Barker, 1858, '60, '62, '65, '66, '67, '70, '78.
Leonard Hunt, 1858, '59, '60, '61, '66.
George Jones, 1859.
Henry O. Lothrop, 1860.
Daniel S. Chapin, 1861, '62.
Seth C. Shepard, 1863.

Homer T. Ball, 1864, '65.
Lloyd H. Cook, 1864.
Albert C. Withington, 1865.
Lewis Fales, 1866.
Lansford B. Felton, 1867, '68.
Isaac N. Crosby, 1867, '72.
James H. Putnam, 1868, '70.
Jeremiah F. Curran, 1869.
Charles Leland, 1869.
Almon Thwing, 1870, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77.
John Pratt, 1871.
Henry S. Bacon, 1873.
Lawrence Read, 1874, '75.
Patrick McGarry, 1876, '77, '78, '79.
Benjamin Ward, 1879.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

I do not find any officials bearing this title till the year 1826. I presume the oversight of the poor may have been taken at one time by the wardens, at others by special committees, but generally by the selectmen, previous to the year above named. But at that time, when the town's Poor Farm, or Asylum, had been established, it was deemed advisable to have a Board of Overseers. It was voted not to choose any in 1839 and 1840. But with these exceptions, I believe the succession has been regular.

Eli Chapin, 1826, '27.
Ira Cleaveland, 1826, '27, '29, '42.
Amasa Leland, 1826, '27, '28, '31, '33, '34.
Artemas Thayer, 1828, '29.
Lee Claflin, 1828, '30, '31.
John Claflin, jun., 1829, '32, '33, '47.
Nathan Wood, 1830.
Rufus Thayer, 1830, '47.
Samuel L. Scammell, 1831.
Zuriel Howard, 1832.
Chester Clark, 1832, '33, '34, '35, '36, '37.
Ebenezer Hunt, 1834.
Clark Ellis, 1835.
Otis Parkhurst, 1835, '41.
Clark Sumner, 1836.
John Corbett, 1836.
Elmer Cobb, 1837.
Hastings Daniels, 1837.
Thomas Thaine, 1838.
Leonard Chapin, 1838, '42, '53, '54, '55, '57, '59, '60, '61.
Jesse Whitney, 1838.
Henry Ball, 1841.
Albert Newhall, 1841.
Arial Bragg, 1842.
John Erskine, 1843, '44.
Henry Nelson, 1843, '47.
Theron Holbrook, 1843, '54.
Cyrus Ballou, 1844, '45, '48, '49.
Orison Underwood, 1845.
George Hancock, 1845, '65, '66.
Isaac Davenport, 1846.
John Goldsmith, 1846.
Parmenas P. Parkhurst, 1846.
John Mason, 1848, '49, '53, '56.
Stephen Cook, 1848.
George W. Stacy, 1849.
Otis T. Nelson, 1850, '51.
Charles Leland, 1850, '51.
Henry Chapin, 1850, '51, '52, '53, '54, '58.
David S. Godfrey, 1852.
Augustus Thayer, 1852.
Martin Fletcher, 1855.
Ziba Parkhurst, 1855.
Oliver B. Parkhurst, 1856.
Lyman Maynard, 1856.
John N. Lilley, 1857, '71, '72.
Leonard Hunt, 1857.
Nathan Doty, 1858.
Jonathan Bliss, jun., 1858.
Bainbridge Hayward, 1859, '60, '61.

Elias Whitney, 1859, '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67, '68, '70, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78.
Richard Carroll, 1862, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67.
William H. Saddler, 1862, '63.
Willard Bragg, 1864.
Lansford B. Felton, 1867, '68.
John Madden, 2d, 1868, '69, '70, '73, '74, '75, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80.
Oren S. Wheeler, 1869.
Benjamin H. Montague, 1869, '70, '71, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76.
David Nelson, 1877, '78.
Chester L. Clark, 1879.
George F. Birch, 1880.

Passing over all the remaining grades of common town officers, I will next present our succession of

REPRESENTATIVES TO GENERAL COURT.

None chosen till 1784.
Ichabod Thayer, 1784, '85.
David Stearns,[1] 1787, '88, '89.
Samuel Jones, 1791 to 1812, 21 successive years; also 1814.
Pearley Hunt, 1813, '15, '16, '21, '22, '23.
Esek Green, 1819.
John Claflin, jun., 1826, '29, '30.
Samuel L. Scammell, 1827, '30.
Newell Nelson, 1831.
Henry Nelson, 1831, '35, '38.
William Godfrey, 1832.
Isaac Davenport, 1832.
Rufus Thayer, 1834.
Lee Claflin, 1834.
Aaron Claflin, 1835.
Sullivan Sumner, 1836.
John Corbett, 1836.
Ellis Sumner, 1837.
Otis Parkhurst, 1837.
Arial Bragg, 1838.
John Mason, 1839.
Peter Corbett, 1839.
Nelson Parkhurst, 1840.
Jeremiah Kelley, 1841.
Elmer Cobb, 1842.
Adam Hunt, 1843.
Alfred Bragg, 1844, '45, '47, '50.
Waldo C. Perry, 1846.
Horace B. Hero, 1848, '52, '55.
Hiram Hunt, 1850.
Charles F. Chapin, 1851.
Herman H. Bowers, 1854.
Aaron C. Mayhew, 1856, '62.
John S. Scammell, 1857.
Andrew J. Sumner, 1857, '59.
Elbridge Mann, 1858.
James H. Barker, 1858, '59.
Henry O. Lothrop, 1860, '61, '62.
Daniel S. Chapin, 1860.
Charles F. Claflin, 1861.
Albert A. Cooke, 1863.
James R. Davis, 1863.
Zibeon C. Field, 1864, '65.
Joseph B. Bancroft, 1864.
Joseph Hancock, 1865.
George W. Stacy, 1866.
James H. Putnam, 1866.
Isaac H. Stearns, 1867.
Alfred A. Burrill, 1868.
Thomas G. Kent, 1868.
Bainbridge Hayward, 1869, '70.
Lawrence Read, 1870, '73.
George B. Blake, 1871, '72, '73.
Henry C. Skinner, 1872.
James Bergin, 1874.
George G. Parker, 1875.

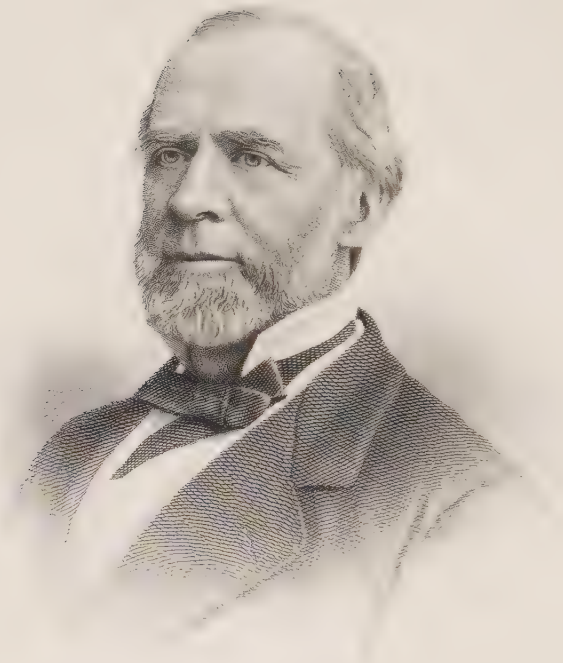
[1] Mr. Stearns received written instructions on certain points of duty drawn up by a special committee of seven citizens, which the Town voted should be read in Gen. Ct. That committee consisted of James Sumner, Ebenr. Holbrook, Daniel Wedge, Ephraim Chapin, Oliver Daniell, Timothy Jones, and Noah Wiswall. Those instructions probably related to constitutional matters.

William H. Cook, 1876, '77.
Augustus S. Tuttle, 1876.
Isaac N. Crosby, 1878.
Silas W. Hale, 1880.
Charles W. Wilcox, 1880.

It should be understood that the year, in all the cases above specified, designates the date of election, not always the year of service. For a long time the political year commenced in May, and the representatives were chosen in May to serve till the next May; but when the political year was constitutionally changed so as to commence in January, the representatives, as well as governor, etc., were elected in November to serve till the next November. Some years the Town voted not to send, and in a few instances no choice could be made for lack of a majority over all; but in 1857 the law making plurality elect came into force. Several changes of constitution or statute have varied the number of representatives that could be sent, either on account of population, or districting with other towns. Hence Milford has sent some years only one, and in others two. I mention these facts that my list of names and dates may not be misunderstood.

DELEGATES TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS, ETC.

Perhaps I ought to include, under this head, delegates or agents sent to certain consultive conventions, mostly held in Worcester County, immediately following the Revolution, before the new order of things had become fully established. Those were times of dreadful financial embarrassment and distress, on account of paper-money depreciation, high taxes, and the almost utter impossibility of enduring the public burdens. The Shays insurrection was an outbreak caused by these troubles. Hence our Town chose Jonathan Jones, April 2, 1781, "an agent" to sit in a convention to be held on the first Wednesday of that month, "then and there to consider and determine on the merits and grounds of the present uneasiness in the minds of the people of this county, and adopt such measures as may then appear proper." April 15, 1782, Daniel Wedge was chosen for a similar purpose. Aug. 10, 1786, Ephraim Chapin was chosen delegate to a like convention at Leicester. Nov. 13, 1786, "voted that Lt. Ephraim Chapin, delegate to convention, use his influence for a State convention." "Voted that said Chapin lay the proceedings of the convention before the Town before they are laid before the Legislature of this Commonwealth." Jan. 19, 1787, "voted to continue the delegate to convention." Town action and representation of this nature continued till the Shays insurrection had passed completely away.



Yours truly,
William Claflin

Next came the struggle for and against the adoption of the Federal Constitution. For some reasons, which I cannot understand, Milford, like many other towns of the Commonwealth, set its face in determined opposition to the adoption of that Constitution. The convention to consider it was appointed to meet in Boston, on the second Wednesday of January, 1788. The Town chose David Stearns, then its representative in General Court, to sit as its delegate in the State convention. He was chosen Dec. 17, 1787. On that day the Town raised a committee of seven to report what instructions ought to be given Mr. Stearns. It consisted of Daniel Wedge, James Sumner, Ephraim Chapin, Samuel Jones, Timothy Jones, Luke Kelley, and Oliver Daniell. Pending the committee's deliberation, the Town adjourned to landlord Robinson's till 6 P.M. The committee reported that the proposed constitution ought to be rejected, and the delegate instructed accordingly; which was adopted and confirmed by vote of the Town, probably unanimous. So we will set down, —

David Stearns, chosen Dec. 17, 1787, to sit in State convention on Federal Constitution, 1788.

Esek Green, chosen Oct. 16, 1820, to sit in State convention on State Constitution, 1820.

Orison Underwood, chosen March 7, 1853, to sit in State convention on State Constitution, 1853.

SENATORS IN GENERAL COURT.

Arial Bragg, 1843.
Joseph Whitman, 1854.
Albert A. Cooke, 1855.
Winslow Battles, 1861, '64.
Aaron C. Mayhew, 1877, '78.

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL, UNDER GOV. BANKS.

Aaron C. Mayhew, 1860, '61.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR.

Aaron C. Mayhew, 1872, Grant and Wilson ticket.

GOVERNOR, AND REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.

I presume it can do no one any harm to credit Milford with having bred William Claflin, Governor 1869, '70, '71, and M.C. 8th district 1876, '78, etc.

THE JUDICIARY BENCH.

I may with equal propriety add another of our natives, many years resident in Middlesex County, where he was a judge, and who was

made Chief Justice of Suffolk County Superior Court in 1855; viz., Albert Hobart Nelson, then of Woburn.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

	COMMISSIONED BY
Edward Rawson	Gov. John Hancock, March 1, 1781.
Amariah Frost, jun.	Gov. John Hancock, March 12, 1785.
" " " renewed	Gov. John Hancock, June 22, 1791.
" " " "	Lt. Gov. Moses Gill, July 16, 1799.
Samuel Jones	Gov. Samuel Adams, March 2, 1797.
" " renewed	Gov. Caleb Strong, Jan. 20, 1804.
" " "	Gov. Elbridge Gerry, Feb. 5, 1811.
Adams Chapin	Gov. Caleb Strong, Aug. 23, 1804.
" " renewed	Gov. Caleb Strong, July 3, 1812.
" " "	Gov. John Brooks, June 10, 1819.
" " "	Gov. Levi Lincoln, June 8, 1826.
Nathaniel Parkhurst	Gov. Caleb Strong, Feb. 19, 1805.
Pearley Hunt	Gov. Elbridge Gerry, Feb. 16, 1811.
" " renewed	Gov. John Brooks, Jan. 26, 1818.
" " "	Gov. William Eustis, Jan. 17, 1825.
" " "	Gov. Levi Lincoln, Jan. 6, 1832.
" " "	Gov. Edward Everett, Jan. 4, 1839.
John Claflin, jun.	Gov. John Brooks, Oct. 13, 1819.
" " " renewed	Gov. Levi Lincoln, Sept. 1, 1826,
" " " "	Gov. Levi Lincoln, Aug. 27, 1833.
" " " "	Gov. George N. Briggs, Feb. 6, 1844.
Clark Ellis	Gov. John Brooks, June 14, 1821.
" " renewed	Gov. Edward Everett, Sept. 29, 1837.
" " "	Gov. George N. Briggs, Aug. 27, 1844.
" " "	Gov. George S. Boutwell, Sept. 16, 1851.
" " "	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Sept. 9, 1858.
" " "	Gov. John A. Andrew, Aug. 9, 1865.
Gustavus D. Peck	Gov. John Brooks, July 3, 1822.
" " renewed	Gov. John Brooks, Jan. 17, 1823.
" " "	Gov. Levi Lincoln, Jan. 6, 1830.
" " "	Gov. Edward Everett, Jan. 6, 1837.
" " "	Gov. Marcus Morton, Jan. 1, 1844.
Newell Nelson	Gov. Levi Lincoln, Jan. 30, 1830.
" " renewed	Gov. Edward Everett, Jan. 6, 1837.
" " "	Gov. Marcus Morton, Jan. 1, 1844.
Samuel L. Scammell	Gov. Levi Lincoln, April 11, 1833.
" " renewed	Gov. Marcus Morton, Jan. 26, 1840.
Isaac Davenport	Gov. John Davis, Aug. 24, 1841.
" " renewed	Gov. George N. Briggs, June 1, 1848.
Ellis Sumner	Gov. Marcus Morton, March 18, 1843.
" " renewed	Gov. George N. Briggs, Feb. 6, 1850.

John Erskine	Gov. Marcus Morton, Jan. 1, 1844.
" " renewed	Gov. George N. Briggs, Jan. 7, 1851.
" " "	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Jan. 1, 1858.
Seth P. Carpenter	Gov. Marcus Morton, Jan. 1, 1844.
" " renewed	Gov. George N. Briggs, Jan. 7, 1851.
" " "	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Jan. 1, 1858.
John S. Scammell	Gov. George N. Briggs, Feb. 2, 1849.
" " renewed	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Jan. 25, 1856.
" " "	Gov. John A. Andrew, Feb. 4, 1863.
" " "	Gov. William Claflin, Feb. 1, 1870.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Jan. 30, 1877.
Leander Holbrook	Gov. George N. Briggs, Oct. 2, 1849.
" " renewed	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Oct. 29, 1856.
" " "	Gov. John A. Andrew, Nov. 14, 1863.
" " "	Gov. William Claflin, Nov. 4, 1870.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Nov. 7, 1877.
Sullivan Thayer	Gov. George N. Briggs, Nov. 5, 1850.
" " renewed	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Oct. 29, 1857.
" " "	Gov. John A. Andrew, Nov. 15, 1864.
Allyn Weston	Gov. George N. Briggs, Nov. 5, 1850.
" " renewed	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Oct. 29, 1857.
Rufus Brewer	Gov. George S. Boutwell, Feb. 26, 1851.
Otis Parkhurst, jun.	Gov. George S. Boutwell, Dec. 19, 1851.
James T. Woodbury	Gov. George S. Boutwell, Sept. 1, 1852.
" " renewed	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Aug. 31, 1859.
Aaron C. Mayhew	Gov. John H. Clifford, Feb. 17, 1853.
" " renewed	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Jan. 19, 1859.
" " "	Gov. John A. Andrew, Dec. 29, 1865.
" " "	Gov. William B. Washburn, Dec. 10, 1872.
Lyman Maynard	Gov. Emory Washburn, April 18, 1854.
" " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, April 3, 1861.
Edward Ross	Gov. Emory Washburn, July 7, 1854.
Charles F. Chapin	Gov. Emory Washburn, Oct. 2, 1854.
" " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, Oct. 7, 1861.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Oct. 5, 1868.
" " "	Gov. William Gaston, Oct. 7, 1875.
Orison Underwood	Gov. Emory Washburn, Dec. 29, 1854.
" " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, Dec. 11, 1861.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Dec. 12, 1868.
" " "	Gov. William Gaston, Nov. 30, 1875.
Thomas G. Kent	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Oct. 23, 1855.
" " renewed	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Feb. 2, 1859.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Jan. 25, 1866.
" " "	Gov. William B. Washburn, Jan. 15, 1873.
Albert Newhall	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Jan. 26, 1856.
George G. Parker	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Oct. 29, 1856.
" " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, Oct. 28, 1863.

George G. Parker, renewed	Gov. William Claflin, Oct. 25, 1870.
" " "	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Oct. 9, 1877.
Andrew J. Sumner	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Feb. 12, 1857.
" " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, May 12, 1864.
" " "	Gov. William Claflin, April 24, 1871.
Lyman S. Clark	Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Feb. 26, 1857.
Henry L. Parker	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Dec. 30, 1858.
Amos Holbrook	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Feb. 15, 1859.
Charles A. Dewey, jun.	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, March 29, 1859.
" " " renewed	Gov. John A. Andrew, July 16, 1861.
Dutee T. Aldrich	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Nov. 22, 1859.
Abraham Mead, jun.	Gov. Nathl. P. Banks, Feb. 7, 1860.
" " " renewed	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Feb. 7, 1867.
Alvin G. Underwood	Gov. John A. Andrew, Feb. 26, 1861.
Lewis Fales	Gov. John A. Andrew, April 3, 1861.
" " renewed	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Mar. 31, 1868.
" " "	Gov. William Gaston, March 23, 1875.
Lloyd Halsey Cook	Gov. William Claflin, Feb. 3, 1869.
" " " renewed	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Jan. 27, 1876.
James R. Davis	Gov. William Claflin, Sept. 28, 1869.
" " renewed	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Sept. 7, 1876.
Lawrence Read	Gov. William Claflin, April 13, 1870.
James H. Barker	Gov. William B. Washburn, Jan. 30, 1872.
Henry E. Fales	Gov. John A. Andrew, Feb. 2, 1864.
" " renewed	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Jan. 7, 1878.
James C. Lovering	Gov. John A. Andrew, March 16, 1864.
Zibeon C. Field	Gov. John A. Andrew, March 30, 1864.
Alexander T. Wilkinson	Gov. John A. Andrew, April 7, 1865.
" " renewed	Gov. William B. Washburn, Mar. 26, 1872.
William F. Draper	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Feb. 14, 1866.
" " renewed	Gov. William B. Washburn, Feb. 17, 1874.
D. Lucian Wilkinson	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Oct. 1, 1866.
Hamilton B. Staples	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Jan. 4, 1868.
Dean F. Battles	Gov. Alexander H. Bullock, Feb. 11, 1868.
Daniel Wright	Gov. William B. Washburn, Jan. 29, 1873.
Lewis Hayden	Lt. Gov. Thomas Talbot, June 2, 1874.
James E. Walker	Gov. William Gaston, April 20, 1875.
Henry C. Scott	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, March 8, 1876.
Leander Holbrook, jun.	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, Jan. 30, 1877.
Joseph H. Wood	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, April 17, 1877.
Frank J. Dutcher	Lt. Gov. Thomas Talbot, June 23, 1874.
William M. Parker	Gov. Alexander H. Rice, June 29, 1877.

Perhaps some few more recent appointments.

THE POLICE COURT AND ITS OFFICERS.

By the politeness of Judge Charles A. Dewey, I have been furnished with the following brief history of our police court and its officers: —

"For many years before there was a police court, cases [civil and criminal] were tried before Clark Ellis and John Erskine [whose names appear in the foregoing list of justices]. A police court was established in May, 1854, under the name of the Police Court of the Town of Milford; and John S. Scammell, Esq., was appointed as the first justice. Judge Scammell retained the office but little more than one year, when he resigned, giving way to the special justice, Lyman Maynard, who held the court for the ensuing two months. The vacancy was filled in Sept., 1855, by the appointment of Sullivan Thayer. Judge Thayer continued in office till June 30, 1859, when he also resigned. He was succeeded by Ebenezer Bradbury of Newburyport, formerly Speaker of the House of Representatives. Judge Bradbury held the office till June, 1861, when the court was abolished; the Legislature having passed an Act by which the matter was submitted to the Town. Adin B. Underwood, T. M. Daggett, W. P. Burbank, Henry L. Parker, and George Bradbury were successive clerks of the police court; but in 1860 the office of clerk was abolished.

"From July, 1861, to March, 1864, criminal cases were tried before C. A. Dewey, trial-justice, and civil causes before various justices of the peace.

"In March, 1864, the police court of Milford was re-established, no provision being made for a clerk. Charles A. Dewey, Esq., was appointed standing justice, and Abraham Mead, Esq., special justice.

"In July, 1872, this police court also was abolished, and in its place was established the Third District Court of Southern Worcester, the judicial district including the towns of Milford, Upton, and Mendon. Judge Dewey was again appointed standing justice, and James R. Davis, Esq., and Charles E. Whitney, special justices; which offices they all continue still to hold."

Among the officers for some time conspicuous in bringing business before the courts are Deputy Sheriffs Joseph D. Hunt, Samuel W. Hayward, and Augustus W. Keene.

POST-OFFICES AND POSTMASTERS.

Until the spring of 1814 our town had no post-office, and probably received most, if not all, of its mail matter through the office at Mendon Town. March 7, 1814, a post-office was established at South Milford, designated simply as Milford, and Samuel Penniman appointed postmaster. His successor was Samuel Leeds, jun., appointed May 20, 1818. His successor was C. M. Penniman, appointed Jan. 4, 1827. Meantime, largely through the exertions of Pearley

Hunt, Esq., the post-office first designated as Milford Centre was established, and he appointed postmaster, Feb. 10, 1823. He kept it in his own mansion, still standing in the westerly corner formed by the junction of Pond and Main Sts. There was then a considerable number of citizens, who, for various reasons of a controversial nature, did not favor the new office, and for a while put themselves to cost and trouble in having their mail-matter brought to them from Penniman's. I am told that Esquire Hunt's first quarterly return to Government was only about one dollar. But time wrought its wholesome changes, and the day of small things was gradually succeeded by cheering results. Feb. 12, 1829, after much effort, the titles of the two post-offices were changed. Milford became *South Milford*, and Milford Centre simply *Milford*. The succession of postmasters following the change of designation has been as follows: —

At So. Milford.

	APPOINTED.
Josiah N. Daniell	Oct. 8, 1834.
Purcell Penniman	April 9, 1836.
Aaron C. Cook	March 21, 1840.
Jesse E. Razee	Aug. 29, 1843.
Henry S. Ballou	July 23, 1845.
Alexander Ballou	Nov. 28, 1845.
Samuel W. Gilbert, jun.	May 29, 1849.
Edwin S. Thayer	April 5, 1852.
Alvan A. Sweet	Dec. 3, 1852.
Samuel W. Gilbert, jun.	Dec. 27, 1854.
Stephen D. Angell	April 7, 1865.
H. B. Fisk	July 11, 1867.

At Milford.

	APPOINTED.
Pearley Hunt	Feb. 12, 1829.
Hiram Hunt	May 2, 1844.
William Crocker	June 4, 1849.
Zelek Darling	Feb. 7, 1853.
Edwin Willis	May 20, 1853.
Zelek Darling	June 21, 1854.
James H. Barker,	April 19, 1855; re-appointed, March 25, 1856, and March 26, 1860.
Adam Hunt	April 20, 1861; again July 7, 1865.
James H. Barker	Nov. 17, 1866.
George Porter Woodbury	March 28, 1867.
George G. Pond	April 21, 1869; again March 18, 1873.

At Hopedale.

	APPOINTED.
Established, and Ansel H. Harlow	May 13, 1861.
George Draper	Jan. 5, 1863.

All our post-offices are useful, paying, and profitable, but of course that in the Centre pre-eminently so. When we compare our mail accommodations with those of 1814 and the preceding years, the contrast seems amazing, but perhaps not more so than some other contrasts in the great change of circumstances.

I have deemed it proper, as a closing appendix, to add a list of our lawyers and physicians.

OUR LAWYERS.

John S. Scammell commenced 1840, and still continues.
Leander Holbrook, sen., commenced 1847, and still continues.
Allyn Weston commenced 1851, remained but a few years.
Thomas G. Kent commenced 1853, and still continues.
Adin B. Underwood commenced 1854, removed to Boston 1856.
Hamilton B. Staples commenced 1855, removed to Worcester 1869.
George G. Parker commenced 1856, and still continues.
Henry E. Fales commenced 1863, and still continues.
Charles A. Dewey commenced 1866, and still continues.
James R. Davis commenced 1870, and still continues.
Leander Holbrook, jun., commenced 1877, and still continues.
Gustavus B. Williams commenced 1877, and still continues.
Joseph H. Wood commenced 1877, and still continues.
Others, not recollected, may have sojourned in town transiently.

OUR PHYSICIANS.

I shall include three or four as virtually *ours*, though residing a few rods outside of our territorial limits, because they practised largely among our inhabitants. I begin with

Allopathists.

John Corbett, sen. (corner of now Bell), commenced about 1703 or 1704; d. 1726.
John Corbett, jun. (corner of now Bell), commenced about 1727; d. 1794.
Samuel Leslie Scammell, sen. (from Eng.), commenced about 1738; d. 1753.
Samuel Leslie Scammell, jun., commenced about 1760; d. 1805.
John Scammell (set. finally in Bell) commenced about 1782; d. 1845.
Elias Penniman (So. Milford; little practice) commenced about 1745, to 1784; emigrated.
Daniel Thurber (Mendon side So. Milford) commenced about 1787; eminent; d. 1836.

Elias Parkman (So. Milford; little practice) commenced about 1794; d. 1828.
Lazarus Ball (hardly to be reckoned) commenced about 1785; d. 1827.
Isaac Brigham, perhaps commenced about 1792; d. 1825.
Gustavus D. Peck perhaps commenced about 1810 or 1811; left 1835 or 1836.
Albert J. Bellows (with Dr. G. D. Peck), perhaps 1828 to 1830; transient.
Addison S. Peck (with and after his fr. G. D. Peck), perhaps 1833 to 1837 or 1838; transient.
Allen C. Fay commenced 1836; d. 1880.
James Fiske commenced 1835 or 1836; d. 1843.
Francis Leland took Dr. Fiske's place about 1843, and left for the war 1861.
John Barnes (from Eng.) commenced here 1854, and still continues.
William M. Parker commenced 1858, and still continues.
F. O. Cornish not ascertained; brief continuance.
John W. Hutchins not ascertained; brief continuance.
Dixie C. Hoyt not ascertained; brief continuance.
Gustaff L. Friedrich not ascertained; brief continuance.
Charles Warren not ascertained; brief continuance.
William J. Clark commenced before 1872; still continues.
John M. Eaton commenced before 1872; still continues.
Joseph Allen Fay commenced about 1867; still continues.
Thomas W. Flatley commenced before 1872; d. not long since.
John J. Cochran commenced before 1878; brief continuance.

Independent Eclectics.

Butler Wilmarth came to Hopedale 1844; killed at Norwalk Bridge, Conn., 1853.
John H. Hero, now of Westboro', practised briefly about 1850, etc.
Dwight Russell commenced in Mil. 1855, and still continues.

Botanics.

Alexander Scammell commenced 1833; d. 1858.
Mrs. Ann A. Scammell succeeded her husband in his profession many yrs.; now retired.
Royal Cummings, commencement and duration of practice not ascertained. He was here some time before and after 1869. Since deceased.
One or two others of the same school transiently here.

Homœopathists.

Miss Emily Gay, at Hopedale, several years before and since 1872.
Charles D. Herbert, a little while before and after 1872.
Konrad Schœffer, before and since 1875; and still continues.
Henry Thayer, for a brief residence about 1879; soon removed.

Clairvoyants.

Edwin A. Pratt commenced here 1865 or 1866; still continues.
Mrs. James Elliot, some time before and after 1875.
Joseph V. Partridge, for several recent yrs.; and continues.

Surgeon Dentists.

Albert A. Cooke commenced here 1852; d. 1880.
George L. Cooke, partner twenty yrs. with A. A. Cooke, commenced 1852 to 1854; and still continues.
Gideon Dickinson, physician and dentist, commenced 1857, and still continues.
George P. Cooke, son of A. A. Cooke, and his successor, has been in practice eight or ten yrs.

Female Midwives.

Mrs. Ann A. Scammell, from 1858 downward; now retired.
Mrs. Susan B. Gardner, for about the same period; now retired.

It will hardly be expected that my dates are *exact* throughout the foregoing lists of lawyers and physicians, or that I have included every temporary practitioner. But I have made them as complete and reliable as the data at my command seemed to allow. Many of these professionals will appear in Part II., with their family records and biographical sketches.

CHAPTER XVII.

OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS, ORATIONS, POEMS, ETC.

Indebtedness of the Historian to the Publishers of "The Milford Journal" for their Masterly Reports of both the National Centennial Celebration in 1876, and the Municipal one in 1880. — I. The Most Important Portions of Proceedings selected from their Published Report of the National Celebration; viz., Prefatory Annunciation; Executive Committee of Arrangements; Officers of the Day; the Grand Parade; at the Town-Hall; Mr. Ballou's Address, etc.; On the Park; Evening Entertainment; General Deportment. — II. The most Important Portions of Proceedings selected from their Published Report of the Municipal Celebration; viz., Preliminary Preparations; Relics and Antiquities; at the Depot Grounds, etc.; the Procession; the Decorations; at the Tent, etc.; Hon. A. C. Mayhew's Remarks; Address of Welcome by Samuel Walker, Esq.; Dinner; Act of Incorporation read by Hon. Henry B. Pierce, Secretary of State; Original Hymn sung; Gen. Adin B. Underwood's Address: Original Poem by Hon. Charles Thurber; Hymn sung; Toasts; Evening Assembly and Rev. Mr. Howard's Poem; Fireworks; Letters of Absent Invitees; Notes and Incidents.

THIS chapter is composed entirely of proceedings which took place at our two centennial celebrations; viz., the national one of July 4, 1876, and the municipal one of June 10, 1880. The publishers of "The Milford Journal," at much expense of effort, and great credit to themselves, issued masterly reports of the proceedings which transpired at both these celebrations. And the historian, as well as general public, owes them a large debt of gratitude for the truthfulness, completeness, and excellence of those reports. I have extracted from their issue of July 5, 1876, and from that antedated June 9, 1880, what I deemed the most important and suitable portions for this chapter. These appear in order under their proper captions.

I. — THE NATIONAL CENTENARY.

PREFATORY ANNUNCIATION.

The one hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence was, on Tuesday, appropriately and patriotically observed in every part of the United States. From the forests of Maine to the mines and gardens of California, in populous cities and scattered villages, everywhere, the people seemed impressed with the

centennial fitness of the demonstration ; and an unprecedented observance of the day was carried out. In foreign countries and at foreign courts, wherever Americans found themselves, the stars and stripes, as bright and glittering as when only a day old, were raised, and saluted in the style peculiar to the "universal Yankee nation."

In Milford was held the most successful and imposing Fourth of July celebration ever witnessed in this vicinity. Nearly all the residents remained in town during the day, and the neighboring vicinity sent large delegations to witness the ceremonies. From the booming cannon's opening roar at sunrise, until the last rocket in the evening, the exercises were carried out in a manner most thoroughly interesting and satisfactory. The committees in charge labored with indefatigable zeal to make the day's doings successful. The music was excellent ; though we, in common with many others, missed our favorite home-band. As a whole, the parade far exceeded our anticipations. Dinner and speaking were really excellent. Rev. Ballou's address, which we are pleased to lay before our readers entire, is a remarkable effort, considering the limited time allotted him for its writing, and is worthy of preservation as an historical document. In the evening the fireworks attracted a great crowd, who expressed universal satisfaction and approval.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Hon. Aaron C. Mayhew.
Charles F. Claflin.
George G. Parker.
W. H. Cook.
John Stratton.
George P. Cooke.
Daniel Hudner.
William F. Draper.
A. Murdock.
T. G. Kent.
E. C. Claflin.
Zimri Thurber.
C. W. Wilcox.
Henry E. Fales.
J. H. Barker.
J. B. Bancroft.
Albert E. Matthews.
James Conklin.
David S. Murphy.

To better facilitate the arrangements, the following gentlemen were selected as —

SUB-COMMITTEES.

Oration, Reading of Declaration of Independence, and other Literary Exercises. — Hon. A. C. Mayhew, W. H. Cook, J. B. Bancroft.

Bells, Salutes, and Fireworks. — Asaph Withington, P. M. Hunt, J. W. Winn.

Music. — Zimri Thurber, Daniel Hudner, C. W. Wilcox, C. J. Thompson

Public Entertainment. — George G. Parker, John Stratton, George P. Cooke.

Finance. — E. C. Claflin, T. G. Kent, C. F. Claflin, G. P. Cooke, John Stratton, S. C. Sumner.

Procession. — H. E. Fales, Lawrence Reade, A. S. Tuttle.

Dinner, Tent, and Grounds. — Z. C. Field, J. H. Barker, A. Murdock.

Police. — J. R. Davis, Zimri Thurber, Lawrence Reade.

Printing, Decorations, and Press. — S. C. Sumner, W. H. Scammell, A. E. Matthews, G. P. Cooke, C. W. Wilcox.

Invitations. — Hon. A. C. Mayhew, W. H. Cook, J. B. Bancroft.

This committee have had the general supervision of the celebration. The following gentlemen were selected as —

OFFICERS OF THE DAY.

President. — Hon. A. C. Mayhew.
Toast-Master. — T. G. Kent, Esq.
Orator. — Rev. Adin Ballou.
Chief Marshal. — Gen. W. F. Draper.

THE GRAND PARADE.

MILITARY SOCIETY, CIVIC AND TRADE DEMONSTRATIONS. — TRIUMPHAL MARCH THROUGH A CROWDED STREET BRILLIANT WITH DECORATIONS. — THE LINE IN DETAIL.

After the morning exercises, there was a short respite; but after breakfast the streets began to be crowded again, soon presenting an unusually animated appearance. Those who had business to attend to, hurried by; while those on pleasure bent promenaded up and down, gazing in at the gayly-decorated, rainbow-hued stores, dressed in holiday grandeur.

Early in the forenoon there was a gathering in the vicinity of the park, near the Mansion House; and the several divisions of the procession began arriving.

Promptly on time the procession began forming in line, and was arranged in the following order: —

ESCORT.

Platoon of Police; M. W. Edwards, Chief.
Chief Marshal, Gen. W. F. Draper.
Aids. — Maj. J. H. Barker, Capt. C. W. Wilcox, Capt. William Emery, Lieut. A. S. Tuttle, S. C. Sumner, James F. Stratton, George A. Draper.
Cavalcade of 22 horsemen; Eben Draper, Chief.
Fitchburg Cornet Band, 21 pieces; W. S. Russell, Leader.
Mayhew Guards, Co. F, 10th Reg't M. V. M. Lt. W. Walsh in command.
Post 22, Grand Army of the Republic. H. J. Bailey, Acting Commander.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Board of Engineers: William Gilman, Chief; Julius Woods, Asaph Withington, Andrew Bagley, Joseph Bancroft, Moses Day.
Washington Engine Company No. 1, 30 men; J. H. French, Foreman.
Wide Awake Hose Company, 16 men; A. Willis, Foreman.
Hibernian Brass Band of Milford, 20 pieces; L. C. Shepard, Leader.
North Star Engine Company No. 4, 32 men; R. L. Johnson, Foreman.
Milford Steamer No. 1, 14 men; Albert Murdock, Foreman.
Excelsior Hook-and-Ladder Company, 14 men ; F. J. Powers, Foreman.
Aaron Claflin Steamer No. 2, 14 men ; E. B. Washburn, Foreman.
Hopedale Extinguisher, 12 men ; Charles E. Pierce, Foreman.
Invited Guests, Officers of the Day, and Executive Committee, in carriages.

THE TRADES.

Hopedale Machine Company.
Hopedale Foundry.
A. S. Tuttle, Furniture.
George G. Parker, Insurance.

ROUTE OF MARCH.

Through Main St., to Hollis, South Main, Main, South Bow, North Bow, Main, Exchange, Congress, Pine, School, Pearl, to the town-hall. The distance is about two and a third miles.

Frequently along the route the procession was enthusiastically cheered. It was the general opinion that it was the handsomest display made in Milford for years, the various organizations presenting a fine appearance.

Arriving at the town-house, the Fire Department, the Grand Army Posts, and Trades withdrew from the procession.

AT THE TOWN-HALL.

REV. A. BALLOU'S ADDRESS. — READING THE DECLARATION. — MUSIC, AND OTHER EXERCISES.

The procession arrived at the town-hall shortly after eleven o'clock. The hall was completely filled ; not an unoccupied seat remaining, either on floor or in gallery. The platform was occupied by the officers of the day, invited guests, executive committee, clergymen, Masonic and Ladies' quartets. The Fitchburg Band occupied a position on the right of the platform, and the Milford Hibernian Band on the left. At 11.25 o'clock the first-named organization opened the exercises with music, after which Rev. M. Richardson made an earnest and patriotic prayer. The double quartet sang the "Centennial Banner Song," which was warmly applauded. Hon. A. C. Mayhew then

introduced Rev. E. A. Perry, who read the Declaration of Independence. The reading occupied eleven minutes, and was enthusiastically cheered at its close, being followed with the singing of "Loyal Song" by the Masonic quartet. The president then introduced "the Rev. Adin Ballou, an old and worthy citizen of the town, who will deliver the oration of the day."

REV. A. BALLOU'S ADDRESS.

Fellow-citizens and Friends, — This Centennial is a grand climax of civic wonders. It is a vast aggregative celebration of unprecedented national developments. Human history records no parallel to such precocious growth. No former century ever witnessed such magnificent political experiences on the face of the earth. A most wonderful nation, forty millions strong, inhabiting a most wonderful expanse of territory, amid the oceans, recently a waste howling wilderness, but now full of populous cities and towns, — with most wonderful civilized institutions, that challenge the admiration of the world, — stands forth a colossal and florid youth in the amphitheatre of our race, at the age of only one hundred years. The sun never smiled on its rival. In vain we stretch the wings of our imagination to reach the height of these wonders, or to comprehend their scope. Happily we are excused from the attempt. Congress and the President have condescended to recommend that we limit the horizon of our contemplations to our own local municipality. We can comprehend this, and perhaps find its contents sufficiently interesting for a half-hour's entertainment.

CENTENNIAL GREETING.

While, therefore, we do not forget the splendid metropolitan demonstrations at Philadelphia, around the shrines of the world's progress, nor the thousands of kindred celebrations, whose responsive echoes thrill our country, we will content ourselves mainly with what concerns the march of Milford in its upward career. In doing so, its inhabitants have no occasion to be ashamed of their history; for although its beginning was humble, and its short-comings have not been few, it is not least among the thousands of the American Israel. Its improvement will average with that of the nation, and transcends that of many municipalities whose early promise was far brighter.

Here, then, we assemble to-day in the heart of a little territorial area, containing about twelve thousand acres, in the south-easterly section of Worcester County, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thirty-one miles south-west from Boston, and eighteen miles south-east from Worcester. Its mean level above the tide-waters of the

Atlantic is about four hundred and seventy-three feet, the utmost highland being nearly six hundred and thirty-eight feet, and the lowest water outlet three hundred and eight. It was the north-easterly portion of the eight miles square purchased for the old Mendon proprietors of the Nipmuck Indian sachems by Moses Payne and Peter Bracket, April 22, 1662. They paid therefor £24. In 1690 the selectmen of Mendon bought of later chiefs the additional territory, ever since called the North Purchase, for £3. We may, therefore, set down the original cost of Milford, as purchased of the Indians, at not more than $45, — a very cheap piece of real estate, in view of present worth.

Very few settlers occupied this area prior to the year 1700. Then they began to flow over Neck Hill from Mendon in considerable numbers, gradually exterminating the wild beasts and odious reptiles that abounded, felling the heavy forests, and clearing for themselves productive farms on hill-top, valley, and plain.

In 1741 they had become numerous and ambitious enough to form a precinct separate from mother Mendon on the old hill, and were corporately known as the Easterly or Mill River Precinct of Mendon. They forthwith proceeded to settle the Rev. Amariah Frost as their minister, and to erect a meeting-house forty by thirty-five feet, with posts of about eighteen feet in height, suitable for a gallery of the fashion then in vogue.

MEAGRE RESOURCES.

But such was the meagreness of their resources, that their meeting-house was a mere shell at the ordination of Mr. Frost, Dec. 21, 1743, with only a temporary floor and seats, unceiled, unplastered, ungalleried, and without a pulpit; and it took them some ten years to give it a decent completion. That pioneer generation were hardy, industrious, frugal, enterprising people. They were addicted to independence of thought and action, and characterized from the outset by that spirit of dash and drive which has always distinguished their successors. But they had small educational and literary advantages. Down to the national birth in 1776, and until after the precinct became a town in 1780, not a single schoolhouse graced their domain. Their nearest approach to such an attainment was a vote, passed in 1750, to erect an educational edifice sixteen feet square, with seven-feet posts. This vote defaulted; and ten years later, when an attempt was made to renew it, a flat negative silenced the motion. Meantime, with the exception of occasional scanty public schooling granted by Mendon to the people of its outskirts, private rudimentary schools alone were taught within our limits. These were of the humblest sort, and kept in the homely dwellings of the old landholders.

Among the best specimens was one taught in the ancient Seth Chapin house, a little south of Hopedale, the site of which is now quite obliterated, by Alexander Scammell, afterwards Revolutionary adjutant-general. This was in the year 1762, when he was a student in Harvard University. There he had perhaps twenty pupils, seated on rude planks behind extemporized counters, whose rough boards rested on barrels or stout saw-cuts from tree-trunks. Those pupils had rare privileges for their day; which were probably appreciated, improved, and enjoyed as well as our present favored youth do theirs. One of them, talented and apt, became, while yet in his teens, the teacher of a similar institution. This was Adams Chapin, afterwards a man of distinction among his fellow-citizens. In 1766 he was invited by his uncle, Moses Chapin, the ancestral resident and owner of what, in our times, is called the Dea. Nathan Chapin place, just north of our Town Asylum, to be preceptor of a seminary under his roof. In that ancient domicile of humble dimensions, whose doors swung on wooden hinges, and had only wooden latches, with every thing else in keeping, our young principal took charge of his dozen or fifteen pupils, and successfully taught "the young idea to shoot." There again were the seats, counters, and furnishings, even coarser and ruder than those before described at grandfather Seth's. And the text-books, my young auditors, would ill compare with the dainty surfeit you have been accustomed to con and recite from in your commodious schoolhouses. But the learners were neither dullards nor idlers. They made the most of their opportunities. In 1780 the same teacher taught a school of the same sort in the widow Lawrence house, so called, now corner of Green and Elm Streets. It was then owned by a Mr. Sumner. I need only tell that the Rev. Dr. Stephen Chapin, afterward president of Columbian College, in the city of Washington, was then eight years of age, and learned the alphabet in that schoolroom.

Here and there one in those days was privileged to acquire a liberal education, or a partial academic one; but many of the enterprising first settlers could not write their own names, and had to make their mark in subscribing legal documents. And there were men of strong natural ability, holding responsible official trusts, down to and through the Revolutionary War, who had to borrow the skill of the better educated in casting interest, and making out problems in the rule of three. This detracts nothing from the just respect due them for solid worth. It only impresses us with a keener sense of the intellectual progress from their times to our own.

I believe that I ought to mention one gentleman, whose name I did

not at first recall, — Gideon Albee, — a natural mathematician, who could carry any problem in his head, almost, and could beat all schoolmasters for many miles around.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

When we reach the commencement of the centennial period, whose glorious completion we this day celebrate, Milford was still a mere parochial precinct, with less than seven hundred inhabitants. They had thus far multiplied by natural increase and influx from the older colonial settlements. They inhabited comparatively lowly dwellings, situated here and there on more than fifty legally laid town-roads, ways, and bridle-paths. Most of these were crooked and cheaply-constructed thread-lines of communication. The main thoroughfare through our centre was known, in early days, as "the Sherborn road." It led from Mendon Town to Holliston, originally a part of Sherborn, and was a rustic bridle and cart path long before being sanctioned as a regular public highway. It will astonish the present generation to be told the fact, that down to 1800 there were not above twenty-five residences on this Sherborn road, from Mendon line to that of Holliston. Yet it has always been the most populous road within our nearly nineteen square miles of territory.

The inhabitants generally subsisted, before the Revolution and for years afterwards, mainly on the products of their diligent husbandry. There were only a few mechanical craftsmen pursuing their respective avocations, such as blacksmiths, carpenters, tanners, shoemakers, tailors, clothiers, etc. Manufactures were so primitive and crude, that smart wags of neighboring localities contemptuously nicknamed the "Easterly Precinct" Broomshire; implying that it throve by the manufacture and sale of splint brooms, wrought Indian-fashion from ash and birch saplings. But when they saw Capt. Samuel Warren raise thirty resolute minute-men, and march them well drilled to Roxbury, before the sun had set on the bloody field of Lexington, most of whom served through the war; and that Dr. William Jennison, a chosen delegate to the famous Provincial Congress, was so fired with patriotism as to give the town of Mendon a brass field-piece, — even Broomshire commanded their respect; for Milford never lacked martial patriotism or physical enterprise. So its nickname soon fell into oblivion, and at length it outgrew its early superiors.

Here, then, we may briefly contrast our past with our present. One hundred years ago Milford was a small precinct, having a sparsely settled population of less than 700 souls; to-day it is a flourishing town, with almost 10,000 inhabitants. One hundred years

ago it probably had about 110 families; to-day it has 2,000 families. Then, perhaps, 100 dwelling-houses; now more than 1,500. Then not more than 150 legal voters; now over 2,000. Then not over 150 ratable polls; now more than 2,600. Then a valuation probably not exceeding $350,000; now one of over $5,000,000. Then little or no public schooling; now almost 2,400 children and youth liberally provided for in schools of higher and lower grade, at an annual expense of over $23,000. Milford reports an investment in schoolhouses of $64,300. It has over a dozen, several of them, beginning with the high-school edifice, eminently substantial and commodious. These significantly confront the cipher of a hundred years ago.

SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.

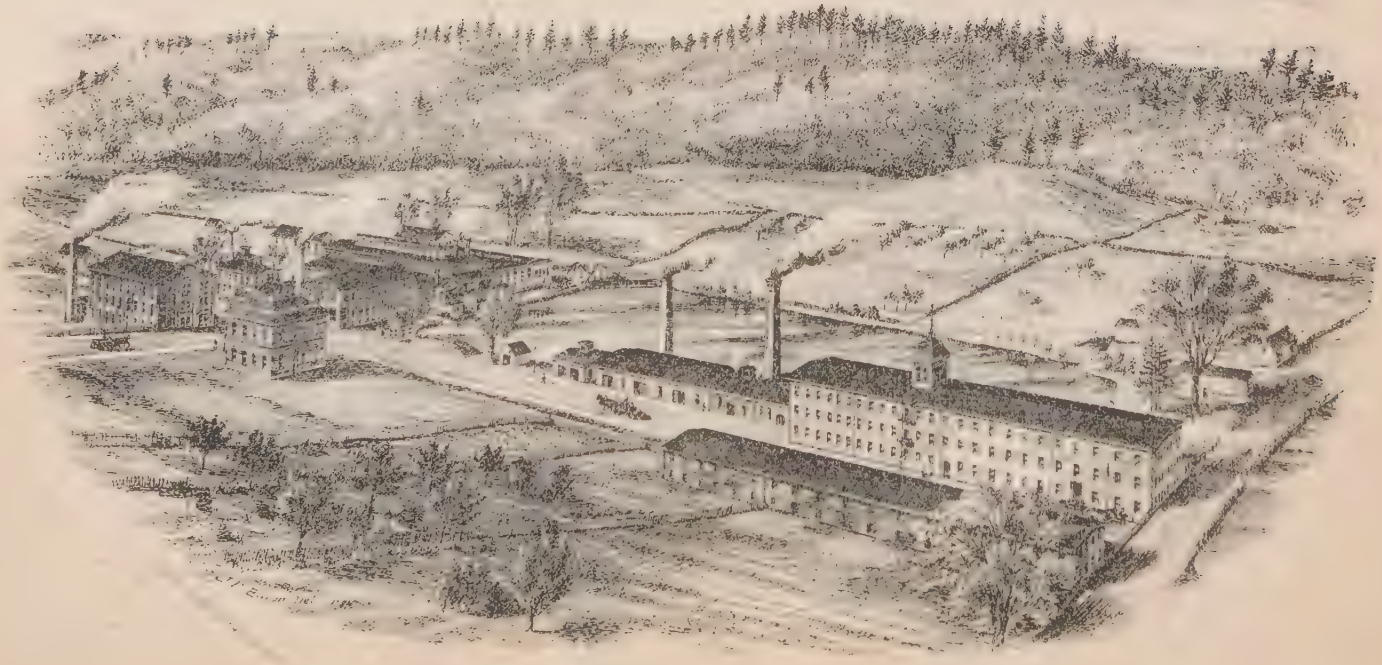
The town supports one high school, with an accomplished principal and two competent lady assistants; six grammar schools, in charge of select principal and assistant lady teachers to the number of fifteen; six district schools, each conducted by a capable mistress; and no less than thirteen primaries, under some seventeen instructresses. These privileges of our rising generation are surmounted by an ample and expanding town-library. How overwhelming the contrast between these advantages and the pitiable ones of departed parental generations!

One hundred years ago our little body politic had one church edifice, 40 feet long by 35 in width, with 18-feet posts; which, down to 1819, served as its precinct and town hall. Now we have six sacred structures, the humblest of them far transcending the old sanctuary, and one of them rising almost to the dignity of a cathedral. Meantime, this spacious hall has succeeded its humbler predecessor, and now affords respectable accommodations, not only for the convenience of civil affairs, but multiform assemblies of every description.

One hundred years ago our poor were let out, either at public auction to be kept by the lowest bidder, or distributed by official arrangement among mercenary care-takers who could promise the cheapest decent treatment. Now they have a spacious and comfortable asylum, under an excellent superintendent and kind matron, where they are better provided for than many who boast a home of their own.

RAPID TRANSIT.

Shall I refer to our three railroads, whose snorting steam-horses take us to Boston, Worcester, or Providence in less time than for-



Machine Works at Hopedale.

merly we could ride a few miles into the neighboring towns? Our ancestors were happy to foot it over hill and through dale, wherever occasion called, or to ride on horseback, single or double, or, rising in the scale of luxury, to enjoy conveyances in their memorable springless, hard-jolting, open wagons. Later, the famous old square-top chaise awoke the envious admiration of non-possessors, and then the bellows-top, and so on to our present genteel vehicles. Herein and all about us we behold the strides of progress.

At the beginning of the century we had no post-office. There were but seventy-five in the Union. Old Mendon had one of these, and thence we received all our mail matter. But precious little there was of it, compared with the daily cart-load of letters, newspapers, magazines, books, pamphlets, etc., which now surfeits the reading appetite. In process of time an office was established at South Milford, then one here in the Centre, and now we have three. In 1776 we had one newspaper in the county, — the old "Worcester Spy," — and no other periodical, not even Thomas's Almanac once a year. Now we have a weekly "Journal" in our midst, far statelier than the early "Spy." And besides thousands of newspapers from all over the land, it is deluged with periodical publications of every description.

HOPEDALE.

In whatever direction we look we are reminded of astonishing changes and growths. There is the thriving little village of Hopedale, not yet thirty-five years of age. Its fine waterfall, first utilized by a colony of beavers centuries ago, and later by the sawmill of the oldest Jones, had long run to waste when, in 1842, a human community, with beaver-like co-operation and industry, commenced the improvements which now command the admiration of beholders. That old farming district, with its four or five landholders and rural dwellings, was a respectable one from the beginning, yea, a historic one!

Thither came the stalwart and pious Elder Jones, closely followed by the enterprising Capt. Seth Chapin, about the year 1700, and hewed them out goodly homes in the wilderness. There dwelt their posterity, and the intermarrying Thwings and Nelsons, people of renown in our early chronicles. Give due credit to the beavers, if you please, who instinctively built the original dam and in it their phalanstery; for they bequeathed a nice meadow to Elder Jones, who thence derived for his hungry cattle their first hay, — probably not the poor bog-grass of these days; rather the nutritious blue-joint of aboriginal times. But however you antedate the more conspicuous recent improvements, a remarkable progress distinguishes

that section of our town. More striking indeed is it here in the Centre. Hither came Benjamin Godfrey, trader, and Pearley Hunt, and John Claflin, jun., also traders. Between 1790 and 1800 they began their career with penny-like capital, but made their mark and flourished. They rendered Milford, even then, a popular mart for a considerable surrounding region. Nowhere out of Boston and Providence could such a variety of articles be bought and sold, whether heavy agricultural produce, groceries, or curious knick-knacks and notions. As we saunter up and down these sidewalks, glancing into elegant stores, kept in stately structures, we wonder how the Milfordians of former generations could be proud of two or three cluttered trading shops, and the comparatively rustic enterprise of their proprietors. But, really, it was more to them than the grander present is to us: they enjoyed it with a keener relish. Nevertheless, the upward march has been wonderful.

We gaze at half a score of commodious boot manufactories, and can hardly realize, what the oldest of us well remember, that little more than a half-century ago the founders of this great manufacture here carried on their business in petty one-story cribs, twelve by sixteen feet in dimensions, or in contracted apartments of ordinary dwelling-houses; and it amazes us to be told that such men as Arial Bragg, Rufus Chapin, Lee Claflin, and others, commenced their career by peddling, even partly on foot, their shoes and boots in single pairs and half-dozens. But such were the facts; and those men were thought "mighty smart" in comparison with the mere primitive cordwainers, who, like the tailors, carried their "kits" once or twice a year from house to house, far and wide.

MODERN COMFORTS.

Well, we look up at the telegraph-poles, and lo! their wires offer to dart our messages, for a few dimes, with lightning celerity, to far distant cities. No ancestral dreamer ever conjured up such a prodigy. The coal of the Alleghanies, glowing in our stoves all through the wintry months, politely asks us to think of the huge stone chimneys, yawning fireplaces, monstrous backlogs, and blazing wood-piles of our great-grandparents. And what says the brilliant gas that illuminates our houses and streets? It discourses eloquently to the more elderly of us concerning pine-knots, lard saucer-lamps with rag wicks, tallow candles, and their more respectable whale-oil successors. At the same time our dulcet instruments of music bid us not forget the hum of the old superseded spinning-wheels. Finally, we turn to the sombre vale of death. We enter the house of mourning. There we

behold the artistic casket of the dead, decorated with wreaths and bouquets of flowers. We gaze on the elegant and costly hearse, drawn by a splendid span. We move in procession to Pine Grove or Vernon Grove. There we glance at the monuments of the wealthy departed, those polished shafts of American granite and far-fetched Italian marble. Then the dim shades of our forefathers seem to whisper in the breeze, "Such were not our coffins, our burials, our last earthly resting-places!" No, indeed, ye reverend ancestors! Riches have increased, fashions have changed, and luxuries have multiplied, even in the valley of death. They respond with no bitter reproaches; but methinks I hear them say, "Please yourselves; yet remember you are soon to join us in a world where there is no wealth or poverty, save those of mind and moral character." Let us accept their admonition, and profit by it.

I must refrain from the multitude of reminiscences and reflections which throng around me for utterance, but I cannot repress the few whose theme is moral progress. I have dwelt chiefly on physical, pecuniary, political, and intellectual advancements. These, indeed, have been most prominent and striking. "Yes," says the lugubrious critic, "and behold! the world is growing worse every year, more extravagant, vain, dishonest, rascally, and profligate!" Are we sure of this? I prefer the ancient exhortation, "Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wisely concerning this." Howbeit, I have no time to argue. I grant that the world is deplorably bad, at best, and that our own town is no exception; yet have we *no* moral progress on our record to rejoice in? What was the public sentiment of this town thirty-five years ago, when the apostles of anti-slavery rung out their first clarion notes here? Contemptuously pro-slavery! What is it now? The very reverse. What were the temperance doctrines, customs, and habits of our population less than fifty years since? Universally lax and demoralizing, even inside of our religious organizations. Has there been no reformation? Alas, that its triumphs are still incipient! but by resolute and persistent efforts, its friends have achieved incalculable good. Multitudes rejoice in its march of salvation, and have become its pledged promoters. Shall we account all this as nothing?

Even the proud barbarism of war, whose life-lease on the blood, treasure, and devotion of civilization boasts of centuries yet to run, has been partially meliorated, and forewarned to vacate its long undisputed tenancy. Milford has had its heralds of Peace, few indeed, but resolute, crying, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord," and re-echoing

the ancient prophecy, "He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

Small and imperfect as our moral progress has been in this community, it deserves creditable recognition, at least as the beginning and preparation of noble ultimates. Low as we may stand in the scale, I am sure that our religion, philanthropy, charity, and morality, viewed in all their bearings, will compare favorably with those of departed generations. But granting the worst and utmost delinquency that can justly be alleged, what is to be done about it? Are we to content ourselves with effeminate wailings or cynic sneers over the moral degeneracy of our age, and dolorous glorifications of departed virtues? For what remedies do we sigh? Nostrums of hard necessity and privation, such as our forefathers had to endure? Must we go back to their coarse diet, dress, lodgings, and general *regimen*, — ay, and to their schoolless destitution and unkempt religionism, — in order to be holy? I think not. Let us emulate their real virtues, their fidelity to their light and privileges, and their indomitable energy in overcoming the difficulties of their lot.

They exterminated the wolves and rattlesnakes that infested this territory, and turned its rugged forests into fruitful fields. Be it ours to subdue our own wild animal natures, — the ravenous lusts and venomous propensities and crude passions of the carnal man. Let us dwell less in the basement, and more in the upper story of our natures. If we cannot wholly shun or remove the temptations which are incident to material, intellectual, political, and social progress, let us manfully resolve to overcome them by the cross of rational and Christian self-denial. Herein lies the remedy for the present threatening distempers of our whole nation.

THE INDISPENSABLE REMEDY.

To be mighty, and yet meek; rich, and yet not luxuriously effeminate; learned, and yet not pedantic; enterprising, and yet just to all; devotees of liberty, without licentiousness; custodians of revenue, with scrupulous fingers; plenteous in resources of pleasure, yet abstemiously temperate; industrious, plain livers, in defiance of evil fashions; humbly useful, yet self-respecting; patriotic, without bluster; philanthropic, without puffation; compassionate to the suffering classes, without encouraging their vices; reformatory in all directions, and yet studiously conservative of every ancient good; religious, without superstition or bigotry; liberal in faith and practice,

without nothingarian laxity; and, finally, righteous, without being self-righteous; children of the All-Father, and sympathizing fellow-members of the great human family.

CONCLUSION.

This is the sublime march of moral progress that opens before us. It comes next in order to the splendid material, intellectual, and political progress we this day celebrate. Say not it is impossible, unattainable. I tell you it is the will of God, — our duty, our privilege, our destiny. Therefore, let us gird up the loins of solemn resolve, of reason, faith, hope, and charity. Our fathers were the heroes of the past; let us be the moral heroes of the coming age. Let gratitude and sense of responsibility inflame our ambition to achieve a glorious and God-approved future.

Thus, Time's appointed fulness shall unfold
The wondrous scenes by ancient seers foretold;
Which reverend bards in sacred song declare,
And all the saints have sought in prayer.
Our world by Christ-like righteousness renewed,
All hearts with love and peace imbued,
And God's sweet will, with holy gladness done,
By heaven and earth in choral anthem one.

The oration occupied forty-two minutes, and received the closest attention of the audience during its delivery. At its close, the venerable speaker was enthusiastically cheered. Rev. J. B. Robinson pronounced the benediction, and the meeting adjourned from the hall. The procession was re-formed at the town-hall, consisting of —

Police Escort.
Chief Marshal and Aids.
Cavalcade.
Fitchburg Cornet Band.
Mayhew Guards.
Hibernian Band.
Carriages.

The line was up Pearl St., Walnut St., down Congress St., to the park.

ON THE PARK.

DINNER IN THE TENT. — THE TOASTS. — PLAYING BALL. — ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS. — IMMENSE CROWDS PRESENT.

The Yale tent, located near the Congress St. side of the town-park, was supported by four centre poles, and had a seating capacity

of one thousand persons. It was placed in position on Saturday; and from that time until open to the public, was visited by very many curiosity-seekers. The culinary department occupied a temporary building just east of the tent, and proved itself capable of satisfying the hungry processionists who were present.

A new and permanent band-stand was also erected in the park, paid for by citizens about there. The grass being trimmed down, and free rein given to the boys to amuse themselves, the grounds were the great rendezvous of the juveniles; and the cracking and whizzing of the festive fire-crackers, and other amateur pyrotechnics, were continuously heard from early morn until the before-mentioned juveniles were safely tucked in their little beds, "tired 'most to death," and dreaming of our next centennial.

Arrived at the tent, Rev. P. M. Vinton asked divine blessing; and dinner was then partaken of by four hundred or more persons, and was a repast not calculated to reflect discredit upon the caterer, S. Mathewson. Clams and clam-chowder, cold meats, vegetables, pastry, tea and coffee, comprised the bill of fare.

After dinner the double quartet sang Millard's "National Song," and the Fitchburg Band played a patriotic piece. President Mayhew then announced the following

REGULAR TOASTS.

1. *Our Centennial Birthday.* It dawns on a race of freemen forty-four millions strong, as thrifty, intelligent, and happy as the sun in its course shines upon.

"God bless our native land."

"Hail Columbia," by the Fitchburg Band.

Responded to by A. A. Putnam, Esq., of Blackstone.

2. *The President of the United States.* Borne into power as the great captain of the age; the hero of Donaldson, Vicksburg, and Appomattox; for eight years he has fostered peace instead of war, and at the end of his time he will lay down his high office with the submission of the humblest civilian.

By Gen. A. B. Underwood.

3. *God Save the Queen* may rouse an Englishman, St. Patrick's Day in the Morning an Irishman, The Watch on the Rhine a German, and The Marseillaise a Frenchman; but to stir the blood of an American, give us

"The star-spangled banner,
O long may it wave
O'er the land of the free
And the home of the brave!"

By choral and instrumental music.

4. *The Mayflower and its results.* The life of a nation is the life of its individuals.

By Silas W. Hale, Esq.

5. *Ireland and the Irish.* She counts among her great men of the past century, Burke, Grattan, Sheridan, Phillips, Curran, and O'Connell. The world can boast no brighter names to adorn her history.

By Rev. William H. Lhoyd.

6. *The First "Declaration of Independence,"* at Concord Bridge, April 19, 1775, by Capt. Davis and his minute-men; defended there by their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

By George G. Parker, Esq.

7. *Woman.* Never so charming as when she surrenders her independence.

By W. H. Cook. "Our Fatherland," by the Ladies' Quartet.

The gentlemen of the double quartet were somewhat surprised by the ladies being called upon to respond by music to this toast.

8. *The War Record of the United States.* The war of the Revolution gave her independence; the war of 1812 gave her free ships and sailors' rights; the war of the Rebellion gave her emancipation. Victorious always, she loves peace better than war; but in defence of her rights, let the eagle scream.

By Rev. Merrill Richardson.

9. *The Treaty of Washington.* The greatest diplomatic achievement of the century. Under its provisions sat the most august tribunal of the world to try the cause of the United States against Great Britain. The verdict was for the plaintiff; the judgment a fine of $15,000,000, which the defendants promptly paid. It made universal peace possible.

By George H. Ball, Esq., of Worcester.

10. *The Mother Country.* We forced her to surrender our independence, but she won't surrender our rogues. Let her keep them all.

By A. E. Wilson, Kentucky.

11. *Our Mother Town of Mendon.* With true filial affection we honor our ancestors.

"Red, White, and Blue," by the Hibernian Band.

12. *Our Patriarchal Guests.* "Venerable men! You have come down to us from a former generation."

By music by the Fitchburg Band.

13. *The American System of Common Schools.* — The bulwark of civil liberty.

By Rev. J. T. Canavan.

14. *Our Beloved Republic.* — A government of the people, by the people, and for the people. It must not perish from the earth.

By Rev. G. W. Stacy. "Sword of Liberty," by Masonic Quartet.

The toasts were interspersed with music by the band, singing, and firing of cannon. Each toast, and its response, was heartily and enthusiastically applauded.

President Mayhew and Toast-master Kent announced the several toasts, adding some facetious and pleasing personal remarks as they introduced the speakers.

At the close of the toasts the Fitchburg Band rendered some good music, and the meeting was concluded.

Mr. Mathewson announced that the tables were free to all who wished to partake of what remained, and many availed themselves of the privilege.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT.

BAND CONCERT. — DAZZLING DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS. — A BRILLIANT ENDING OF INDEPENDENCE DAY.

At an early hour people began to return to the park, and soon it put on its populous appearance of the afternoon. The peddlers of peanuts vociferated, the cannon roared, the festive fire-cracker snapped, and the hard-hearted small boy with his excruciating tin horn was on hand; carriages and pedestrians mingled in confusion, and not pleasantly, — at least not for those on foot, who were continually in imminent danger of being run over by the teams.

Never before was there such a brilliant display of fireworks in town; the twenty-one pieces being very worthy of special notice, which we have not the space to give. P. M. Hunt had the charge of this feature, and himself and assistants deserve credit for the able manner in which they performed their duty. The following comprises the programme of the —

FIREWORKS.

1. Salute.
2. Fire-balloon ascension.
3. Rockets and Roman candles.
4. Polka batteries.
5. Floral shell.
6. Double mine.
7. Chinese brilliant.
8. Gallopade.
9. Cross of Malta.
10. Saturn and satellite.
11. Liberty piece.
12. Shield of love.
13. Bengolas.
14. Floral wheel.
15. Flower-pot.
16. Chinese cross.
17. Bomb-shell.
18. Liberty tree.
19. Anchor of hate.
20. Independence.

21. Grand *finale*, "Milford."

The concert by the two bands was indeed pleasing, and added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. As a *finale* to the exercises, it was, in conjunction with the fireworks, exceedingly well arranged, and gave general satisfaction.

GENERAL DEPORTMENT.

The general good order that was preserved during the day added much to the enjoyment of the occasion, and there were but few exceptions to the good behavior. The selectmen who were in charge of this department were very ably seconded by the force of constables, who, without attempting to display any petty authority, yet, in every possible way, smoothed all useless obstacles to the public enjoyment. Everybody on the streets, especially strangers, felt the good impression made by the Milford police; and many complimented the force, which, we are assured, will compare favorably with any in the Commonwealth.

II. — THE MUNICIPAL CENTENARY.

PRELIMINARY PREPARATIONS.

At a town-meeting held Nov. 4, 1879, it was voted that a committee of ten be appointed by the moderator to take into consideration the matter of celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Milford, and report at the next annual meeting; also, if they recommend such celebration, to report a plan therefor, and take any preliminary steps they may deem necessary. The following gentlemen were appointed: T. G. Kent, A. C. Mayhew, Rev. J. T. Canavan, Gen. W. F. Draper, A. J. Sumner, C. F. Claflin, G. W. Johnson, James Bergin, Z. C. Field, and Samuel Walker.

At the meeting March 1, 1880, M. P. Callanan was chosen in place of Rev. Father Canavan, who resigned on account of leaving town. Four others were added to the committee; and at the April meeting the selectmen, town-clerk, and treasurer were also added.

Twelve hundred dollars was appropriated at the April meeting to defray the expenses of the celebration. The committee reported that "the charter of incorporation was granted April 11, 1780; but we recommend that the anniversary be held June 10, 1880, as more likely to be comfortable and propitious weather."

COMMITTEES.

The following committees had charge of the arrangements: —

General Committee. — T. G. Kent (chairman), Dr. Geo. L. Cook (secretary), Hon. A. C. Mayhew, Gen. Wm. F. Draper, G. W. Johnson, C. F. Claflin, James Bergin, Z. C. Field, A. J. Sumner, Samuel Walker, M. P. Callanan, Benjamin Ward, Dr. Charles Mackin, D. J. Cronan, James R. Davis, Lewis Fales, Ethan C. Claflin.

Invitations. — A. J. Sumner, A. C. Mayhew, T. G. Kent, P. P. Parkhurst, David Nelson.

Reception. — Nelson Parkhurst, James H. Barker, T. B. Thayer, Samuel Walker, Hon. A. C. Mayhew, B. D. Godfrey, S. C. Sumner, Geo. W. Johnson, James Bergin, George Thayer, Ezra Hunt, S. W. Hayward, B. H. Spaulding, E. L. Wires.

Entertainment. — Mrs. M. J. C. Russell, Mrs. Nelson Parkhurst, Mrs. O. B. Parkhurst, Mrs. B. D. Godfrey, Mrs. Angenette Thayer, Miss Mehitable Cleveland.

Procession. — Julius M. Woods, H. J. Bailey, H. B. Thayer, D. J. Cronan, W. H. Carpenter, P. M. Hunt, T. C. Eastman, Joseph F. Hickey, M. W. Edwards, Chester L. Clark.

Salute. — Capt. Wm. P. Miller, Arthur E. Sumner, Maj. A. E. Mathews, Benj. Ward, Sullivan S. Jones, Elias Whitney.

Decorations. — L. H. Cook, Charles F. Chapin, John O'Leary, M. A. Blunt, Gen. Orison Underwood, Jesse A. Taft, Lewis Fales, H. B. Thayer, Adin Ball, D. B. Rockwood, Edward Simonds.

Floral Decorations. — Miss Helen Eames, Mrs. Augustus C. Jones, Miss Helen M. Pond, Mrs. Luther P. Jones, Mrs. Emeline Coffin, Mrs. Geo. L. Cooke, Mrs. Patrick Gillon, Mrs. Jane Whiting, Mrs. G. G. Parker, Mrs. W. F. Draper, Misses Anna M. Bancroft, Mary Ferry, Annie McGowan, Anna McGlynn, Mrs. E. C. Claflin.

Tent. — Willard Bragg, Z. C. Field, G. W. Johnson, H. B. Hero.

Dinner. — Charles F. Claflin, A. A. Taft, Dr. Charles Mackin.

Tickets. — Ethan C. Claflin, Herbert Parkhurst, Clark Ellis, Henry Scott.

Band. — John S. Mayhew, E. Mann, G. W. Bailey, M. P. Callanan.

Vocal Music. — C. J. Thompson.

Printing and Press. — C. A. Sumner, Everett Cheney, James F. Stratton, Lewis Hayden.

Finance. — Chas. F. Claflin, George Draper, John P. Daniels, I. N. Crosby, E. D. Bancroft, A. Wheeler, P. Lynch.

Toasts. — Charles A. Dewey, T. G. Kent, G. G. Parker, Dr. J. Allen Fay, Leander Holbrook.

Museum and Family Relics. — Mrs. Samuel Walker, Mrs. John Corbett, Mrs. C. J. Thompson, Miss Louisa Thayer, Mrs. Augusta Woodbury, Mrs. Charles F. Claflin, Mrs. Geo. W. Johnson, Mrs. A. B. Vant, Mrs. Z. C. Field, Mrs. J. B. Leonard, Mrs. B. E. Harris.

In Charge of Park. — Ezra Hunt, W. H. Carpenter, Elias Whitney.

TOWN HALL.

Railroad Trains. — A. C. Mayhew, Z. C. Field, Samuel Walker, I. N. Davis.

OFFICERS.

President of the day, Hon. A. C. Mayhew. Vice-President of the day, T. G. Kent. Chief Marshal, Gen. W. F. Draper.

The rain on Monday and Tuesday somewhat dampened the enthusiasm, and delayed the decorations; but Wednesday's sunshine gave the work of preparation a boom, and matters speedily progressed.

RELICS AND ANTIQUITIES.

The interior of town-hall was beautifully decorated with a centre-piece on the ceiling, from which streamers of bunting ran to the sides in festoons. Along the sides bunting was suspended, being looped up at intervals, and having flags of different nations hanging between the windows. Over the platform was a painting draped with lace and the national flags. The windows were curtained with the standards of different countries, and the gallery was beautifully decorated with flags, lace, and cambric. On the gallery over each door were the ancient and modern names of the town, Wapowage and Milford. Portraits of old residents, whose descendants are numbered among the most prominent citizens of the town, were grouped upon the walls. Among the portraits, which were oil-paintings, were the following: Sarah Brown, great grandmother of the Parkhurst family; Mrs. Amasa Parkhurst, Henry Nelson, born 1786; Catherine Nelson, born 1789; Rufus Chapin, born 1787; Dr. G. D. Peck and wife, and their son Andrew J. Peck; Pearley Hunt and wife, and their son Hiram, eighteen years of age; Mr. and Mrs. Darius Sumner, Rufus Thayer and wife, his father and Arba Thayer, brother of Rufus (Rufus Thayer was the father of Otis Thayer, and his many descendants are living in town to-day); Mr. and Mrs. John Claflin, the parents of Aaron Claflin, whose name is held in such high esteem by his townsmen; Mrs. John Parkhurst.

Among the many antiquities were a pair of Indian snow-shoes, worn by the ancestors of Sarah Jones about two hundred years ago; foot-stoves a hundred years old; wedding-boots of Gershom Twitchell; an old queen's-arm musket and equipments carried in the Revolutionary War; the first sign for a tavern ever put up in Milford, bearing the date 1747. The letters were obliterated, but an anchor was plainly visible. Among the most noticeable relics was a quilt made from the coats worn in the Revolution. A blue-and-white plate, three hundred and forty years old, which has been in the Ide family

for five generations, contributed by Mrs. Joseph L. Clark; a baby-slip worn by the wife of ex-Gov. Claflin sixty years ago; a tumbler bought the day war was declared in 1812; a horn drinking-cup carried through the Revolution by Col. Samuel Jones, used in the war of 1812 by Capt. Henry Nelson, and carried through the late Rebellion by Henry Nelson Parkhurst; a junk bottle given to Mrs. Lydia Corbett for a wedding present, a hundred years ago, filled with molasses; plates and other pieces of crockery from sixty-three to two hundred years old, contributed by Mrs. Dea. Belknap, Mrs. Emory Sumner, J. D. Bailey, Mrs. A. P. Glines, Mrs. C. F. Blood, Mrs. J. B. Bancroft, and Mrs. Samuel Walker; a pin presented to Lydia Gray in 1812 on a small pen-wiper, contributed by Mrs. A. J. Sumner, was a small article, but received more than passing notice.

Among the many ancient books were almanacs 1754–1794, the property of John Goldsmith; a Bible belonging to Isaac L. Haven, printed in 1683; a Bible which has been in the Clark family for a hundred and three years; a Bible printed in 1750, loaned by Mrs. A. P. Glines; a dictionary of 1777; an arithmetic used by I. C. Haven in 1822; a religious work a hundred and sixty-three years old, contributed by Almon Thwing; a Bible belonging to H. E. Rockwood, printed in 1637, the oldest book in the whole collection; the sermon preached at the installation of the Rev. Caleb Alexander in Mendon, April 12, 1786; Mr. Frost's two sermons preached Dec. 8, 1767; the "Address of the Convention for forming a new Constitution of Government for the State of Massachusetts Bay to their Constituents," 1780; an almanac of 1789, containing a foot-note stating that Nov. 6 George Washington passed through Milford; a copy of the "Massachusetts Centinel," Dec. 6, 1788; the account-book of Major Levi Chapin, one of the first blacksmiths in town, 1794; a copy of "Tom Jones," printed in 1797. All these latter-mentioned books are the property of H. E. Rockwood of Milford. Centennial china, bearing the inscription "Milford, 1780–1880," consisting of vases, cups and saucers, pitchers, pin-boxes, jewel-cases, lunch-plates, toothpick-holders, trays, and butter-plates was for sale.

The oldest oil-paintings were those of Caleb Cheney and wife, painted in 1787. Both are in a good state of preservation.

Portraits of Col. Sullivan Sumner and wife, and coats-of-arms of the Parkhurst and Jones families, were on exhibition.

Among the articles that interested the fair sex, was a pair of stays, style of 1780; a veil worked by Sarah A. Peck in 1835, contributed by Mrs. L. N. Richardson; clothes worn by the children of Ezekiel and Mary Wight Jones at their baptism in 1782; wedding-shoes

worn by Tabitha Bullard in May, 1766, made of white satin with painted toes, and much larger than those worn at the present time; an infant's cap worn in 1821; a sampler worked in 1805 by Lydia Perry, and a collar worked by the same person in 1813, and one worked in 1838. Mrs. A. P. Glines also contributed a lace-frame used in 1829; a blue satin bonnet worn in 1850; kid shoes worn in 1815, by Annis Perry; towel spun and woven by Tabitha Bullard in 1765; part of a wedding dress worn in 1765, by Mrs. Anna Williams of Marlborough; bead pockets worn fifty and sixty years ago; back and side combs worn fifty years ago.

The articles worn by the Revolutionary heroes, and carried through the war, were numerous and interesting. Among them was a waistcoat worn by John Corbett, a runlet, the sword worn by Capt. Ezekiel Jones at the battle of White Plains, the sword of Capt. Samuel Fisher, a runlet carried by Joel Hayward.

What interested the military of the present time were knapsacks used by the Lafayette Guards and the Milford Artillery; a sword and belt carried by an officer of the Lafayette Guards; a powder-horn carried through the old French War, by a Mr. King of Mendon; and an artillery hat worn by a member of that old company.

Straight-back chairs, belonging formerly to Rev. Amariah Frost and Rev. David Long, a tape-machine which has been in the Haven family for several generations, a spinning-wheel belonging to the Corbett family, and a child's stand, were very attractive to lovers of old furniture and implements.

A copy of "The Boston News Letter" No. 1, dated April 24, 1704; the select popular Whig songs of 1840; and a copy of the "Milford Transcript" published June 21, 1848, were noticeable. The "Transcript" was in a frame with "The Milford Journal" of June 2, 1880; and the advance in journalism during the last thirty years was made prominent to even the casual observer.

Among the many articles of general interest found in the town which are relics of former times, were Indian arrowheads and a stone axe; a bayonet bearing the date 1767; an old padlock; a drinking-cup found in the Hopedale cemetery, and a small cannon ball which was dug up on Prospect Street; and an Indian-corn powderer. Trousers, a hat, and shoe-last of the style of 1780 attracted much attention. A boot made in Milford forty-two years ago; the first carriage-maker's tools used in Milford by Dea. Peter Rockwood; old-fashioned spoon-moulds; shoe-buckles; tinder-box, steel, and flint; a grease-lamp; hand-made spikes from the "Old House" at Hopedale; foot-stoves, tin lanterns, and a bellows owned by Elihu Perry in

1787, were noticeable articles that the younger people took delight in gazing upon.

AT THE DEPOT-GROUNDS.

There was a vast crowd who anxiously awaited the slowly-arriving trains. The Providence and Worcester road brought five cars, the Hopkinton eight cars, and the Boston and Albany thirteen cars. The latter train was late in arriving, reaching here at 9.45.

On arrival of the Governor and staff, a salute of seventeen guns was fired at the foot of Claflin Hill; and the Governor was escorted to the Mansion House, where breakfast was served to himself and staff and a number of prominent gentlemen from abroad, as also several leading citizens of Milford.

THE PROCESSION.

Agreeably to general orders No. 1 of Chief Marshal Draper, the line was formed with the right resting on Congress Street, and the various organizations took position on the intersecting streets. The procession moved about eleven o'clock.

The procession was formed in the following order: —

Platoon of Police, under command of Oliver D. Holmes.

Gen. Wm. F. Draper, Chief Marshal.

Col. P. A. Lindsay, Chief of Staff.

Aids. — Col. J. H. Barker.	Lieut. A. S. Tuttle.
Geo. A. Draper.	M. W. Edwards.
Chester L. Clark.	James F. Stratton.
L. B. Chapman.	Charles A. Claflin.
Eben S. Draper.	Charles H. Messinger.

Milford Brass Band, 26 pieces; T. W. Keane, Leader.

Battalion of 6th Regiment, M. V. M.; Major Parsons commanding.

Aids. — Capt. H. E. Fales, Asst. Surgeon Chamberlain, Paymaster Holt, Lieut. Geo. P. Cooke, Adjutant.

Co. M, 6th Regiment, M. V. M.; Capt. Henry J. Bailey; 40 men. Bearing flags of the Old Sixth, presented to the Regiment by the loyal ladies of Baltimore.

Company F, 6th Regiment, of Marlboro; Capt. Page; 41 men.

American Brass Band of Providence, 25 pieces; D. W. Reeves, Leader.

MILFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Asaph Withington, Chief Engineer.

Washington Engine Co. No. 1, 45 men; D. R. Johnson, Foreman.

Wide Awake Hose Co. No. 1, 18 men; C. E. Moorhouse, Foreman.

North Star Engine Co. No. 4, 40 men; E. Kinsman, Foreman.

Steamer Company Milford No. 1, 14 men; A. D. Reed, Foreman.

Excelsior Hook-and-Ladder Co., 19 men; Patrick Baxter, Foreman.
Aaron Claflin Steamer Co. No. 2, 14 men; E. G. Bell, Foreman.
Quinshepaug Encampment No. 20, I.O.O.F., of Milford; 60 patriarchs; W. H. Carpenter, C. P.
Delegation from Wachusett Encampment of Worcester and Palestine Encampment of Woonsocket, I.O.O.F.
Worcester Brass Band, 26 pieces; T. C. Richardson, Leader.
Grand Officers I.O.O.F.
East Weymouth Drum Corps, 7 pieces; C. W. Bailey, Leader and Conductor.
Weymouth Lodge No. 15, K. of P.; G. P. Lyons, Marshal.
Damascus Lodge No. 50, K. of P., of Worcester; F. E. Hall, Captain; 30 men.
Blake Lodge No. 49, K. of P., of Worcester; 20 men; J. W. Hadley, Captain.
Bay State Lodge No. 51, Knights of Pythias, of Milford; 80 men.
P. M. Hunt, Grand Chancellor.
Grand Officers, K. of P., of Massachusetts.
French Band of Worcester, 23 pieces; E. D. Emory, Leader.
Hibernian Guards of Worcester, 30 men; John Landers, President.
Division No. 7, A.O.H., of Milford, 50 men; P. P. O'Donnell, President.
St. Mary's Temperance Society of Milford, 40 men; W. J. Pyne, President.
Centennial Band of Franklin in continental costumes; 10 pieces; George I. Partridge, Leader.
Post 22, G.A.R., of Milford, A. A. Burrill commanding; 60 men.
Post 43, G.A.R., of Marlborough, Wm. S. Frost commanding; 60 men.
Marlborough Brass Band, 25 pieces; A. D. Baker, Leader.
Gov. Long and staff.
Orator, poet, and other speakers.
Citizens and visitors in carriages.
Cavalcade of the Milford Athletic Association, 22 horsemen; Reuben Carpenter, Commander.

TRADES OF THE TOWN.

Gile, Blake, & Co., clothing.
Paine & Brown, needles; R. C. Huzzey, S. Jefferds, boot and shoe machinery.
W. H. Rooker, doors and eave-troughs.
Bartlett & Ellis, stoves and hardware, 2 teams.
A. S. Tuttle, furniture.
Hopedale Machine Company.
H. L. Patrick, ice, 3 teams; groceries, 2 teams.
Boston Grocery Store, 2 teams.
I. C. Soule, groceries.
L. Hazard, bottler, 2 teams.
J. F. Stratton, bottler.
P. Gillon, bottler, 2 teams.
W. A. Aldrich, sewing-machines.

E. Trowbridge, organs and pianos.
Singer Sewing-Machines, 5 teams.
E. J. Prentice, hay and flour, 3 teams.
J. E. MacEwen, wood.
Welcome Soap.
R. Carroll, granite, 3 yoke oxen.
Field & Crosby, coal and lumber, 7 teams.

As Gov. Long arrived opposite the Mansion-house park, the school children, to the number of about two thousand, and under the direction of Dr. William J. Clarke, sang "The Fatherland," after which Judge C. A. Dewey, chairman of the school committee, spoke as follows: —

"Gov. Long, — In behalf of the school children of the town of Milford, I present to you the scholars of the public schools, with their teachers, who would be pleased to have you address them on this occasion."

His Excellency the Governor arose, and spoke in substance as follows: —

GOV. LONG'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Chairman, Scholars of the Public Schools of Milford, and Teachers, — We have come together, with others, to celebrate the centennial birthday of the town; and among the many pleasant things, I have seen nothing more pleasing, more attractive, and more significant, than the bright and intelligent faces I see before me. We have come to celebrate the past hundred years, to hear about the men and women who have lived during that time; but before me I see the people of fifty years to come. Children, as I think of all the advantages we possess, and opportunities given to our people, I feel great confidence for the century before us. I solemnly and earnestly trust you will prove faithful to the advantages offered you. Improve the advantages you have obtained; be good scholars, and fashion yourselves in the years to come so you will become noble men and women. The Town, a hundred years hence, when pointing to the noble and faithful citizens, will be proud to say that you were educated in the public schools of Milford.

He was heartily applauded. The children then sang "America," and the procession moved on.

The route of march was from Main to Chapin, South Main, Main, South Bow, Jefferson, School, Pearl, Main, around Park Square, Congress, Pine, Spruce, to the town-park.

THE DECORATIONS

were abundant, and many of them of an elaborate character, under the efficient and experienced supervision of Col. William Beals and Messrs. Lamprell & Marble of Boston, whose work gave great satisfaction. Never before has Milford presented so gala an appearance, and we must probably wait another hundred years for its repetition. Below we give a list and description of decorations, which we have aimed to have as full and complete as possible: —

The decorations at the town-house surpassed all others ever attempted on the building. Over the door to the police headquarters was "Wopowage, 1780," and over the door to the judge's office, "Milford, 1880." Both were in the midst of flags and banners, and over the entrance to the hall were the American flags and festoons of bunting. At the window under the tower was a state seal, and from that to the sides of the entrance, streamers of red, white, and blue gracefully depended. Lines of flags were suspended from the seal to Church Block and to the trees opposite the Milford Hotel.

The armory of the Milford Light Infantry bore a large painting of a soldier, surrounded by the national colors, in the centre of a large American flag. From the eaves of the building the red, white, and blue fell in graceful festoons, and a profusion of bunting ran from the roof to the awning-frames, making a fine display of harmonious colors. Strings of pennants and flags were stretched from the Pearl-street corner to the town-house.

Blunt's Block, facing Lincoln Square, was a grand mass of color. A line of "red, white, and blue" ran along the entire top of the building; streamers of bunting floated from it to the awning-frames, while the flags of different nations were suspended between the windows. In the centre of the building was a painting of "Old Time," between national emblems; and near each end of the building were beautiful mottoes, one being "Sons and daughters, welcome home," the other, "1780 Centennial 1880." Red, white, and blue bunting was tastefully looped up just over the lower windows. From a pole bearing a "liberty cap" to the extremities of the roof were streamers of flags. Col. Beals did the work.

Post-office Block was decorated with a life-size figure of the "Father of our Country" between national flags; bunting ran from the eaves to the lower story. A large American ensign over Washington, and flags from the windows in Masonic Hall, added to the neat and beautiful array of color. Just over the windows of the lower story, in bold gilt-and-red letters on a blue background, was "1780, Milford's Centennial, 1880."

Grant Block was decorated by Lamprell & Marble, with pyramids of bunting, while loops of the same ran along the awning-frames. The "Stars and Stripes" over each doorway in the block, with shields and flags between the windows, made a rare display. Red, interlaced with white bunting, extended the whole front of the building just over the lower windows, and flags depended from the eaves. A fine string of flags was stretched over South Bow Street from Grant to Bank Blocks. Over the entrance to the hall of the G. A. R. were the letters "G. A. R." and a medallion.

Bank Block was neatly decorated with two pyramids of bunting, and festooning over the lower windows and along the awning-frames. The dates 1780 and 1880, between American flags on the front, showed off to good advantage. A line of flags extended from the building to the Mansion House. Over the entrance to the press headquarters was a shield in the centre of a stand of colors. At the top of each pyramid and in front of the windows of Pythian Hall were knights in armor.

The Mansion House was a centre of attraction, at least for the lines of flags. Over the piazza on the south side was a pyramid of red, white, and blue, with festooning around the piazza. The State seals of Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut were on the building. The piazza on the east side was handsomely festooned with our national colors.

Washington Block was festooned with the tricolor over the store-windows of Fred Walker and M. E. Rice. Over the entrance to the hall was a painting of Gen. Putnam, and stands of flags were placed over the entrance to the stores.

The building containing the stores of E. Cheney, William Reynolds, E. C. Morse, and R. C. Eldridge was draped with the red, white, and blue just under the eaves; shields between the upper windows, and flags over the doorways.

Over Post-office Square was a handsome centre-piece from which four lines of flags diverged to the buildings on the corners of the streets.

Oddfellows' Hall was decorated with three pyramids of red, white, and blue, surmounted with emblems of the order. Before the central window of the hall was a tent, from which the "All-seeing Eye" kept "watch and ward."

Thayer's Block was decorated with three pyramids. Strings of flags ran across the street to Oddfellows' Hall. Red and white bunting ran over the lower windows and along the awning-frames. Alhambra Block, opposite, was similarly decorated, and presented a handsome appearance.

The A. O. H. hall was beautifully decorated with a mammoth national flag, with streams of bunting from the roof to the awning-frames. Before the central window of the hall was the harp of Ireland standing in front of the rising sun. "Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity — A. O. H. No. 7," was in the centre of the front. From the hall-windows the flags of Ireland and America swung in the breeze.

Steamer house No. 1 was beautifully decorated with a large American flag over the doors, with a large United States seal in its centre, and shields and a star at its corner; while party-colored flags ran over the roof, and made a fine appearance.

Excelsior hook-and-ladder house was trimmed with flying pennants and flags from the flagstaff on its front. A large American flag from the peak over a stand of colors, with bunting over the doors and the word "Welcome," made a handsome display.

Washington-engine house bore a large scenic painting of a fire, with the stars and stripes looped above it, and flags and shields on either side. Bunting running from the American eagle at the summit of the façade down to the word "Washington," produced a pleasing effect. A string of flags from the building to the Arcade completed the decoration.

Blunt's Block, occupied by S. A. Eastman and Miss E. A. Richards, was decorated with a canopy of tricolor. At the apex was the square and compass, and in the centre a shield bearing the "Minute-Man." The awning-frames were trimmed with bunting.

The Lincoln House was decorated with a dancing "Humpty Dumpty" in the centre of the School-street front, surrounded by a triangle of bunting, whose apex was at the eaves, and the base over the lower windows. Banners were suspended from the attic windows.

D. B. Jenks and Howard & Pierce, in Union Block, had pyramids of bunting running from their awning-frames to the roof of the building. Red, white, and blue was looped up along the awning-frames.

E. J. Prentice's grain-store was decorated with festoons of red, white, and blue, and flying flags over his windows.

The south side of Clement, Colburn, & Co.'s boot-manufactory presented as fine a series of decorations as was seen along the route. From the roof was suspended an immense banner, flanked on either side with flags and shields, and surmounted with the "bird of freedom." Underneath was the motto, "Liberty and Union, One and Inseparable, Now and Forever," and the word "Welcome," in gilded letters. Numerous flags of different nations floated over all, presenting a cheerful and pleasing sight.

Fogg, Houghton, & Coolidge's boot-factory was tastefully decorated with an immense American flag between the British and Russian standards, on the front of the building. Over the door was a banner bearing the inscription, —

"STARK, WARNER, BAKER,

PARSON ALLEN. Those noble Patriots who started One Hundred Years Ago, have passed away. But their memory will grow greener with years, and blossom through the flight of ages." ETHAN ALLEN.

Red, white, and blue ran along the balustrade of the stairs leading to the entrance, and lines of streamers floated from the cupola.

Johnson, Rust, & Co.'s factory displayed a group of flags on the Bow-street side. An American eagle over the flag of our country, and the motto, "One Country, one Constitution, one Destiny," with bannerets and flags depending from the windows, made a beautiful series of decorations.

Of the numerous private dwellings that were decorated, the residence of John P. Daniels, on Congress Street, was one of the finest. A canopy of red, white, and blue enclosed the motto, "One Hundred Years Ago" over a tinsel eagle and a life-size painting of George Washington. The roof over the piazza was trimmed with flags and bunting, and American flags over the doorway formed a neat and patriotic design. Flags were suspended from the windows; and, taken as a whole, the display was most attractive and pleasing to the eye.

The house of Mrs. Angenette Thayer, on Pine Street, was one of the most elaborately decorated residences in that part of the town. The side overlooking Main Street was decorated to represent a camping-ground. It bore a large painting of the "Goddess of War," draped with the American flag. Near the corners were shields with 1780 and 1880 in gilt letters upon them. Over the bay-window was a "Union Jack," with a large shield. From the windows hung flags and a Massachusetts seal. The Pine-street side was decorated with the red, white, and blue over the porch and bay-window. The entrance was trimmed with the "flag of the free," and a large ensign on the lawn completed the decoration. Done by Col. Beals.

The residence of Charles F. Claflin was elaborately decorated. From the roof on the front to the sides, the red, white, and blue was gracefully suspended; the State seals of Illinois and West Virginia catching it in, from whence it extended around the porch. Over the door was an eagle holding up the tricolor which ran around the bal-

cony. On each side of the entrance to the house the American flags were looped up, and over the balcony a large gilt star added to the decorations. Flags from the roof and the balcony completed the ornamental designs.

The residence of Hon. A. C. Mayhew made a very tasty display. Over the doorway was an American eagle resting on stands of flags, and American flags curtained the doorway. Each balcony-window was trimmed with pyramids of red, white, and blue, the American flags, and paintings of the "horn of plenty." The other windows were curtained with banners, and lines of flags extended from the balconies to the trees on the lawn.

The house of Bainbridge Hayward, occupied by himself and H. S. Bacon, was ornamented with a canopy of fancy bunting and American flags, bearing a picture of the martyred Lincoln at its summit. Red, white, and blue was looped over the doorway, and strings of United States flags extended from the door to the trees.

T. B. Thayer's house was finely decorated with a canopy of the national colors, with a tricolor running around the balcony. Stars and stripes formed curtains over the entrance, which was surmounted with a stand of flags. A banner, bearing "Re-union, Sons and Daughters of Milford," was suspended over the doorway. Bannerets and flags added to the beauty of the decorations.

L. H. Cook's residence was decorated with a pyramid over the front windows. The doorways and windows were curtained with American flags, and shields and banners made up a neat and beautiful design.

M. W. Edwards's stable displayed large Union and Irish flags, with streamers of bunting.

Greene Brothers' heel-factory displayed the characteristic motto of "The 'heel' of industry shall stamp out idleness." A canopy of bunting from the out-buildings to an eagle on the roof, over foreign flags, made a very pretty decoration.

B. E. Harris made a good display at his house on Claflin Street. Bunting ran from the roof in the centre of the front around the roof of the piazza, with a large American flag looped up over the entrance.

The decorations on the house of Amariah A. Taft were of a particularly fine design. Around the roof of the veranda was looped the red, white, and blue, with flowing ends, on each side of the entrance. From the corners to the roof was a pyramid of tricolor, beneath which was a large *feu de joie*. On the front were bannerets and the State seals of Texas, New Hampshire, and Nebraska. The entrance was curtained with flags; and the motto "Welcome" over a large "Star of Bethlehem," directly over the steps, completed the decorations.

The residence of L. E. Heath and Randall B. Greene was neatly decorated with streamers of bunting, an American flag over the walk, and a British flag over the door.

The residences of James E. Walker and Capt. C. W. Wilcox were patriotically ornamented with United States flags over the doors, while a large campaign flag was suspended between the houses.

J. D. Hunt's house displayed a large flag looped against the front of the house, and the doorway was tastefully decorated with a large American flag.

Mrs. Moulton's house was trimmed with red, white, and blue over the door, ornamented with small American flags.

The residence of I. N. Davis was tastefully trimmed with a canopy of red, white, and blue. In the centre of the front was a large shield, flags, and the date 1780. Large banners depended from each corner of the roof.

P. Gillon threw out American and Irish flags from his place of business.

L. H. Holbrook's lawn was covered with miniature flags, making a novel and striking design.

A. A. Coburn's residence was finely trimmed with bunting and American flags, a large ensign being over the piazza, and banners flying from the windows.

Nelson Parkhurst had a patriotic display of bunting and American flags. The word "Welcome" was in the centre of the front, and small flags depended from the windows.

B. H. Spaulding's residence was nicely decorated with a large canopy of red, white, and blue. Over the door was "Welcome," and the State seal of Rhode Island, with the seals of Vermont, Wisconsin, and Mississippi, and a large *feu de joie*, on the front of the house.

From the trees in the high-school yard depended large frames, bearing the words, "Truth, Honor, Country," made of oak-leaves.

At R. L. Darling's residence, opposite the common, there was a fine representation of George Washington, by Master Elmer Stacy in costume, who stood on a platform over the door.

Mrs. Otis Thayer's residence, corner of South Main and Main Streets, was decorated in a tasty manner. The porch was festooned with bunting, curtains of American flags being over the entrance. Under the windows of the upper story were handsome shields flanked with flags, and from the circular window to the porch was a pyramid of red, white, and blue.

Rev. Oliver S. Dean's house was neatly decorated with red, white, and blue over the doorway. Flags between the upper windows, and inside curtains of bunting, completed the decoration.

Irving Block was decorated with a pyramid from the awning-frames to the roof. Over the entrance to the "Journal" office was a shield with banners, and flags surrounding it. Festoons of bunting ran along the awning-frames and over the lower windows.

The Home Bank was decorated with large American flags.

Z. C. Field's house was decorated with red, white, and blue. The word "Welcome" and a large shield over the front doorway, with the State seals of Tennessee and Georgia over the windows, made a particularly neat display.

Over the entrance to the residence of Sullivan S. Jones were the pictures of Lincoln and Washington, surrounded by bunting and flags.

Mr. Allard's residence on South Main Street was prettily trimmed. In the bay-window was an eagle holding the stars and stripes in his talons.

John Wood's house was tastily decorated with bunting made of small centennial flags, and that bearing pictures of the Memorial building. A canopy rose over the porch, and festoons of the same kind of bunting depended from its roof.

The residences of Herbert Oliver, A. C. Jones, H. C. Skinner, E. A. Fisk, Ezra Holbrook, Gilbert Chapin, Eugene Chamberlain, Milo Sadler, William L. Sadler, G. W. Howe, T. C. Eastman, Charles Johnson, Mr. Macy, South Main Street; Milton Aldrich, Owen O. Wales, M. A. Blunt, A. T. Wilkinson, Dr. Russell, E. B. Washburn, A. H. Adams, Dr. Pratt, P. P. Parkhurst, and A. J. Sumner were more or less elaborately decorated; but the lateness of the hour at which they were completed forbids a more extended report of the details of their ornamentation.

AT THE TENT.

MUSIC, MIRTH, AND FESTIVITIES.

The procession arrived at the tent about one o'clock; and as soon as the company were seated, Hon. A. C. Mayhew, president of the day, called the assembly to order.

Rev. Martin S. Howard of Wilbraham offered a prayer.

MR. MAYHEW'S REMARKS.

Ladies and Gentlemen, — We have assembled to-day to commemorate the one-hundredth anniversary of the town of Milford. On the eleventh day of April, 1780, the charter of the town was granted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth; and now we welcome you, one and all, to the festivities of the day. Our only regret is, that every native of Milford now residing in distant lands

could not be here to join us in the celebration of the day. It is not my purpose to detain you by any speech of my own, but to leave it to the orator of the day to tell the history of the town, — its growth, enterprise, and business prosperity. I will now introduce to you Samuel Walker, Esq., one of our long-tried citizens, who will extend to you an address of welcome.

Samuel Walker, Esq. of Milford, delivered the following

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, Former Citizens of Milford, — Welcome, thrice welcome, to the land of your nativity, the home of your childhood. In behalf of our native-born citizens, I welcome you; in behalf of our adopted citizens, I welcome you to our town to-day. The fire may have gone out on your native hearth-stone; the loving hearts that gathered at the parental home and around the family board may have ceased to beat; you may miss the old familiar faces that so often gathered there; the old homestead may have passed into other hands, only a landmark here and there to remind you of what it once was; new and strange faces may meet you at every turn, old and familiar ones left only here and there like shocks of grain that have escaped the reaper's sickle; the hum and din of business may have taken the place of our once quiet streets; you may feel that you are "strangers in a strange land;" but the same hills surround us; the same rivers wind their way to the ocean that did one hundred years ago; the same heavens are over our heads, the same earth beneath our tread. But where are those men whose names are so familiar to us, who contributed so largely to the early history of Milford to make it what it now is? They have gone; their work is done. The morning and evening bells upon the church-steeple reminded us of their departure long since. But their children's children are here to welcome you to their homes to-day. We extend to you the right hand of fellowship. We offer to you the heart and hand of the chief magistrate of our State, who is here to welcome you.

A kind, beneficent Providence has brought us together this centennial day. "He has taken the garments from before the sun, and caused it to shine with all its brightness before us."

Let us, in common, rejoice and be glad. Let our sorrows be numbered with the past, putting our whole trust in Him who orders all things well. And when a few more days have passed over us, let us hope a more joyous re-union awaits us where the flowers fade not, and friends do not grow old.

DINNER.

Dinner was served by A. E. Nash of Boston, there being two thousand plates. The following comprised —

THE MENU.

ROAST.

Turkey, Cranberry Sauce,
Chicken, White Sauce.
Rib-beef.

COLD.

Tongue, Ham,
Salmon Salad, Lobster Salad.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes,
Boiled Bermuda Onions, Marrowfat Squash,
Lettuce, Radishes, Cucumbers.

RELISHES.

Mixed Pickles, Worcestershire Sauce, Cheese.

PASTRY.

Apple, Meat, Custard.
Squash, Washington Pie,
French Rolls, Vienna Rolls.

DRINKS.

Tea, Coffee.

FRUIT.

Oranges, Apples, Strawberries and Cream.

At the conclusion of the dinner the American Band of Providence played a centennial overture arranged for this occasion. Secretary of State, Henry B. Pierce, then read the Act of Incorporation from the original manuscript. [Text omitted. See it as given Chap. IV.

The chorus sung the following original hymn, written by Rev. Martin S. Howard of Wilbraham: —

With hearts that beat in one accord,
And hopes that reach beyond our fears,
We children of the fathers meet
To celebrate a hundred years.

The graves of generations gone,
With flowers perennial we strew;
Recall the vanished days of old,
And count the ages as they go.

Upon the pinnacle of Time
We stand, and view the hoary past,
And with unclouded faith survey
The future as it thickens fast.

From small beginnings here we trace
The growth of enterprise and toil,
And glory in the honest work
That garners in so rich a spoil.

God of our fathers and their sons,
Thy hand in our success we own:
Thy mercy blest our earlier time;
We still will hail thee God alone.

And when another hundred years
Shall roll its chariot-wheels around,
May History write as fair a page
As this with which the last is crowned.

CENTENNIAL ORATION BY GEN. A. B. UNDERWOOD OF NEWTON.

Mr. President and Fellow-Citizens, — To-day we are to try and live over a hundred years. In these few short hours that we have set apart in this leafy month of June, to commemorate the incorporation of our native or adopted town, just a century ago, this year we are to recall, if we can, the Milford of the past; to people once more these places, which, in our brief turn, we call ours, with the successive generations which have owned and inhabited them for the century gone; go about these mutually familiar hills and valleys with them; call them by the honored names that have come down to us; note where they have lived, how fared, how busied themselves, and what accomplished; what they liked and disliked; hear their story, and compare notes. And we have but a summer's afternoon to do it in.

In the history of the world, a century seems but a short period. To our old mother earth, hoary with her six thousand historic years, one small hundred seems very little; with its myriads of centuries, according to the men of science, one is but a grain of sand on the seashore. In this universe of worlds a century, as Wendell Phillips says of the career of man, "is as an hour's flare of a torch; while

serene and immortal gleam down upon us Mars and Saturn, Orion and the Pleiades." But to us children of men, a century is a majestic period: none can hope to live it, except as a marvel. One century witnesses the labors of five new generations of men; and think what five generations of busy men accomplish! Think, or attempt to think, for a minute, what the five last have accomplished in the world at large, and how much it has lived in a century. A century ago, for instance, when this town was incorporated, George III. was King of England, and reigned for forty years afterwards; Louis XVI. reigned in France, and kept his head a dozen years more; Frederick the Great was still fighting his wonderful battles; Joseph II. still ruling the German Empire of the middle ages; the bloody French Revolution, and a half a dozen others in France; the career of the first Napoleon, and his marvellous campaigns; the battle of Waterloo; the long struggle between Prussia and Austria, to head a new German empire, — all have happened within a century, and our fathers heard the news when it was only a few weeks old. Burns, Byron, Scott, Coleridge, Southey, Campbell, Wordsworth, and Moore have all written their delightful works within the century; and our fathers had the pleasure of reading them as soon as they crossed the Atlantic. Macaulay and Dickens are of yesterday. A century ago the world had not a railroad, a steamer, a steam printing-press or power-loom, a suspension bridge, a railroad tunnel, a cotton-gin, the telegraph, a daguerrotype, a photograph, or any application of electricity; a rifle-gun, a breech-loader, an iron or iron-plated vessel, much less to-day's ocean cables and the telephone, the sewing-machine, pegging-machine, and a multitude of other inventions which our fathers had to do without. This is but a suggestion of what man's busy hand and busy brain have worked out in a century. To attempt to go through the catalogue is an appalling task.

Our fathers here were as busy in their smaller theatre as the rest of mankind; and to attempt in an hour's time to sum up all they did in a hundred years, besides telling who they were and how they lived, is about as hopeless an undertaking, — yes, in a century and a half or two centuries, if we reckon from the Precinct charter, or the settlement. Yet, to suitably honor our ancestors and predecessors to-day, it seems fitting and requisite that we should attempt, in such manner as we best may, to think over who and what manner of men they were, and what they have left to us to remember them by and thank them for. As I am your unworthy voice for the time, that task is mine. With great diffidence, I undertake, however, to give only a hasty outline of the principal events, and to roughly sketch

the Milford of different epochs, leaving the filling in of details to the historian. Fortunately, a complete history, with accounts of the principal actors, will soon be in your hands, I hope, already carefully prepared by my venerable and honored namesake, the Rev. Adin Ballou, who for nearly half a century has done as much at least as any one else to make, and to render honorable, the history of this town, which he so worthily chronicles. For such references to the history of Milford as I venture to make, down to within the memory of the living, I rely principally upon his manuscript and the authorities referred to by him.

Five-sixths of the territory which is now Milford was included in the eight miles square purchased in 1662 for the plantation of Mendon; price, £24. The other sixth was the three square miles of land purchased by the Mendon settlers in 1692 at the northward, and from that time called the "North Purchase," the bounds running across the Massachusetts, now Charles River, up on to Magomiscock Hill, the Indian for Bellevue, now Silver Hill, and along Maspenock, now North, Pond. It seems a pity that these Indian names have not been retained. Settlers came to the territory gradually. Before King Philip's war, Benjamin Alby owned a corn-mill on the river, which it probably named Mill River; but King Philip cleaned out the mill. About the beginning of the new century, 1700, and of the reign of good Queen Anne, Seth Chapin of Mendon, John Jones of Hull, Ebenezer and Joseph Sumner of Milton, and William Chency — my respected maternal ancestor — from Medfield, and afterwards Mendon, settled here in the fertile valley of Mill River, and the hills that overlook it; soon after them, Benjamin Wheaton, two Jonathans and a William Hayward, Thomas White, Obadiah Wheelock, Dr. John Corbett, and Jonathan Thayer, — names familiar through their descendants. In 1730 twenty-eight voters from the Mill-river Valley, and their sympathizers, signed a remonstrance against the building of a new meeting-house in Mendon, and secured a vote of the Town, that if they should be set off as a "particular town" within ten years they should be re-imbursed the money they were now assessed for building it. The next year they petitioned to be set off from Mendon. Thus early the enterprising Mill-river people felt they were founding a new town, and were determined to have it; showed a pugnacious spirit and a gift for fighting for what they wanted that was characteristic of their descendants; kept up a vigorous fight for a separate existence as a town or parish, and made things warm in Mendon for ten years. In the spring of 1741, "ye brethren of the Church of Mendon who were styled aggrieved," being

most of the settlers here and their sons, organized themselves into a church. In September following, a vote was carried in the Mendon town-meeting allowing the Mill-river people to be set off as a separate town, and on the strength of it sent a petition to the General Court. But Mendon afterward reconsidered her vote, like Pharaoh, and "would not let the people go." So, as a compromise, apparently, they were chartered as a separate precinct by act of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, Dec. 23, 1741. The names of the petitioners, headed by John Jones, besides most of the members of the church, were Samuel Scammell, Joshua Underwood (probably from Holliston), James Godman, Moses Gage, William Legg, Ichabod Thayer, Dearing and Nathaniel Jones, James and Joseph Sumner, Amos Binney, Thomas Chaddock, Nehemiah Nelson, Josiah Chapin, Eliphalet Wood, Ebenezer Boynton, Benjamin Hayward, sen.

When they organized themselves under the Precinct charter, William Cheney, jun., was chosen clerk; Daniel Lovett, Nathan Tyler, Nathaniel Nelson, Jonathan Heywood, jun., and John Jones, jun., a committee to call meetings, *de facto* selectmen. A meeting-house was built, and the Rev. Amariah Frost was settled as minister, at a salary of forty pounds a year, and an extra sum of one hundred dollars for settlement. What sort of an establishment he kept on this munificent salary, has not been recorded. He was a Harvard-College graduate, and became distinguished in the community. For a while affairs proceeded in the Precinct with the utmost harmony. By and by a few of a new sect, followers of Whitefield and John Wesley, who had been preaching on this side of the water, began to appear at the North Purchase, and staid away from Mr. Frost's services, which caused anxiety and dogmatic discussions that make very funny reading, especially calling the old church, theologically, "Babylon," and a band of "thieves and robbers."

A few years later Dr. William Jennison, who had been parish clerk, innocently enough caused the Precinct church no end of trouble by presenting it a book for the use of the minister. You would suppose to-day, from the commotion that it caused, that it was at least a gift copy of the Koran. It was only our dear old Bible, — the solace of us all in our sorrows, and our dearest friend in our joys, if we would make it so, — now on every altar, prayer-desk, and pulpit in this and every Christian land. This is the church record: "After the use of said Bible some time, there arose some dispute among some members of our society, as though it was too much of a conformity to the practice of the Church of England, and for peace' sake . . . it was omitted for the present; viz., the reading of said Bible

in public." When we remember that Gov. Endicott of Salem cut the red cross from the flag of his country, because, as he said, it was "a relic of popery insufferable in a Puritan community," and by a law of the colony anybody found keeping Christmas was fined five shillings, we ought not perhaps to wonder at the alarm caused by the innovation, as it seems to have been in Puritan worship, of reading the Bible.

Enlightened opinion prevails here now as elsewhere. I have lived to see in the parish church of their descendants abundant Christmas evergreens beautifying its walls, and to read of Easter services with floral decorations, the singing of hallowed church anthems by sweet singers, and benches in the alleys to seat the unusual throng of worshippers. Thank God, to-day the Bible and Christmas and Easter belong to us all in common!

While the people of the Precinct were attempting to settle the grave questions about ordinances and ceremonial that troubled them, they marched away side by side in the common defence of the province. In the long French and Indian wars, this precinct furnished its share of men. The rolls at the State House show the names of quite a number of men from this precinct. Among others, Capt. N. Thwing, Eliphalet Wood (probably the petitioner for the Precinct), Daniel Davidson, John Passmore, John Vickery, Capt. Jones (son of the elder), John Thwing, Jos. Cody, Jos. Tenney, Asahel Thayer, John Marsh, J. Hill, J. Gage, Gershom Nelson, G. Chapin, Ebenezer Cheney, and Caleb Cheney (son of William), as serving in some of the expeditions.

Then came the times of the Revolution. The day of the attack by the British troops on their fellow-citizens at Lexington, two companies of minute-men belonging to the Precinct hurried to the rescue. One of them was officered by Capt. William Jennison, who gave the Bible, Lieuts. Caleb Cheney (then the parish clerk), and Samuel Cobb; the officers of the other, Capt. Gershom Nelson, Lieuts. Jesse Whitney and Josiah Nelson; and in the ranks, and in the Continental army afterwards, were Precinct men whose names are familiar in its history. On the rolls of those who served in the Continental army, or in the Massachusetts Bay militia during the long struggle, you will find Albee, Chapins, Cheneys, Corbett, Davis, Haywards, Legg, Nelsons, Scammell, Thayers, Warren, Whitney, — names and details of service which time does not permit me to mention. The most distinguished soldier furnished by the Precinct, and serving when the town was incorporated, was Alexander Scammell, who rose to be a general officer and adjutant-general of the Continental army; was a

favorite staff-officer of Washington, and it was said the only man who could make the "Father of his Country" laugh.

In the midst of the war, after nearly forty years' waiting and repeated defeats, the voters of the Precinct carried a vote through the Mendon town-meeting, by seven majority, not afterwards reconsidered, to allow them to be set off as a separate town. Gershom Nelson, Jonathan Jones, and Ichabod Thayer, jun., were appointed a committee to procure an act from the General Court, which was granted without opposition, and signed, April 11, 1780, by John Hancock, speaker of the House, and Gen. Artemas Ward and Samuel Adams, among others of the Council.

At the first town-meeting, Caleb Cheney was chosen clerk and treasurer, and served several years; Lieut. Jesse Whitney, Caleb Cheney, Warfield Hayward, Ebenezer and Stephen Albee, selectmen; Adams Chapin, Capt. Ichabod Thayer, jun., and Moses Chapin, assessors. Adams Chapin served several years.

The year in which Milford thus became wholly distinct from Mendon was the year in which the State Constitution was adopted and the famous "dark day" occurred. Milford then had seven hundred and sixty inhabitants, one hundred and twenty houses (only twenty on the entire Sherborn road), and very little public property. Mendon and Milford divided debts and paupers, — not a valuable capital to commence business with; and Milford got in the trade £1,000 or £2,000 in depreciated money. It had a meeting-house forty by thirty-five, and not one schoolhouse. Such schools as they had were taught in private houses, poor as they were. Alexander Scammell taught in a room in Seth Chapin, jun.'s, house, with planks on blocks for seats, and boards on empty barrels for desks.

About the very first vote of the new Town was calculated to throw a wet blanket on the enthusiasm of all persons who contemplated settling here: "Voted, to warn all persons out of the town of Milford that have moved in since it was a town, or that shall move into said town hereafter." It was a common black sign against paupers. Pauperism, with our fathers, was not a very attractive mode of getting a living, any way. Paupers were let out to be kept by the lowest bidder. Current prices for keeping female paupers, as they appear in different entries on the town and selectmen's records, a few years later, were, "3 pecks of Indian corn per week;" "4s. per week, and to reduck out for all work she does;" 75 cents per week, 2 galls. of rum, and 25 cents in brandy or opium. For ten men, women, and children, $5.75 per week. A family of that size cannot be boarded at fashionable watering-places now for that price, certainly.

The life of people who worked for a living was very different from and much homelier than what it is to-day; and I am afraid, with our liberal notions of living nowadays, we should think it was very unattractive.

Our early fathers had little time for amusements, and didn't believe in them much at that. Most games were tabooed. Dancing was not to be thought of; horse-racing and theatres forbidden. Horse-racing under the guise of agricultural fairs, and theatres named museums of curiosities, had not then been invented. I am afraid our fathers would have thought the veneer rather "too thin." Times have since changed in Milford. There was very little intercourse then between the people, except on Sundays. The Sunday nooning was the country exchange, when the hour was much too short for discussing doctrine, crops, gossip, and the fashions, and getting warm before the second long sermon began in the cold meeting-house. A French writer satirized our fathers because their only occupation on Sunday was going to church and reading the Bible.

But the Puritan Sunday, the Bible in the household, and the devout, stirring sermons from the pulpit, gave our fathers the inspiration and the strength that carried them successfully through the trying struggle with the mother country, and enabled them to leave to us the institutions that we proudly call ours to-day. There were few luxuries in fewer households, sanded floors about the only carpets, Indian corn and milk the principal articles of food. In styles, it was the day of queues, cocked hats, knee-breeches, and shoe-buckles, for men; hoop-skirts and hair mountains, for ladies.

The financial condition of the community, and the value of paper money at the time, can be to some extent realized by the votes of the Town. In 1780 it voted £1,000 in paper for schools; the next year, for the same, £20 in silver. The whole appropriation in 1780 was £77,000 in paper; in 1781 the whole appropriation was £300 in silver. In 1780 it voted $1,000 in paper for each soldier for twelve days' service in Rhode Island; next year, voted 1,000 silver dollars for ten soldiers for three years. A wheelbarrow load of Continental bills of credit were worth about as much as the same amount of Confederate bills at the close of the late war.

Peace was proclaimed in 1783, with great rejoicings here as elsewhere; but the people had a hard battle still to fight with another enemy, — bankruptcy, — which finally led to Shay's rebellion, though Milford took no part in it. At one time cattle were legal tender.

President Washington, in 1789, honored the town with a visit, and stopped at Samuel Warren's inn (at the Major Chapin place) long

enough to refresh himself and his horses. Mr. Frost and others paid their respects to "his Highness," as he was then styled. Mr. Frost died in 1792, after a ministry of forty-nine years. The same year the meeting-house, after a struggle, was enlarged to fifty-four by thirty-five feet.

The bill of rights adopted with the State Constitution continued the Colony and Provincial provision for the maintenance of public worship by common taxation, but allowed members of different sects to pay their parochial taxes for the support of ministers of their own denominations. Soon after its adoption, votes begin to appear on the town-records excepting persons claiming to be Methodists, Universalists, and Baptists, from being rated to the Congregational Society. The Society of Universalists was organized here about 1785. In 1791 the Town gave them the use of the meeting-house week-days. The Rev. John Murray once preached in it. The Methodists still worshipped in private houses. There was a growing tolerance of changes in public worship. In 1793 the Town "voted to have the singers fetch a bass-viol into the meeting-house on Sundays, and some person to play on the same."

In 1795 Arial Bragg came from Holliston into the north-east corner of the town, and went to making calf-boots, employing two men. Making boots did not pay, and he went to making negro-shoes. In the memoirs of himself which he has left, he describes his mode of doing business in Holliston: "Paid $7 for the four calf-skins from which he made twenty-two pairs of shoes; hired a horse for fifty cents; bought a bag of hay of John Claflin, sen., paid ten cents; with his twenty-two pairs of shoes in saddle-bags, and his bag of hay bound on behind him, before the sun had risen was off for Prov., went through Prov. with a pair of shoes in his hand, and the saddle-bags on his back; sold his twenty-two pairs of shoes for $21.50, and bought six calf-skins." He quotes prices the year after he came here: House-rent, $19 per year; wood, $1.25 per cord; rye, $1.25; corn, $1 per bushel; pork, 8c. per lb.; beef, $5.50 per cwt.; butter, 1s. per lb.; cheese, 8c.; coffee, 33c.; tea, 30c.; sugar, 11c. per lb.: making board cost $1.04 per week. He went back to Holliston as the century was closing, and returned here in 1805. Before the century closed, other men appeared on the scene here, who became somewhat famous in the town's history. Col. Benjamin Godfrey kept an inn and store; was succeeded in the store in 1799, for a short time, by Pearley Hunt. John Claflin, jun., was beginning his career.

In 1801, after trying forty candidates, the town and church settled the Rev. David Long, who ministered to the church forty-three years,

and lived long enough for a great many of us to remember him to-day with respect. His salary was fixed at £80 per year, and a settlement of $150. Parishioners of his successor at the present day pay more than that amount for a bowl at a fair. His salary was never very much increased, and when he died he is said to have left $10,000.

Other salaries were in proportion. Male teachers were paid $3 to $7 per week; female teachers, $1 to $2; and board was struck off in district meeting to the lowest bidder, as in case of paupers. The latter practise Arial Bragg was instrumental in stopping. Board of teachers was about fifty cents per week. Appropriation for schools that year, $266.67. Voted to build a schoolhouse 24 feet by 20, and to raise £65.

In 1800 the town had a population of 907, and about 175 voters. Adams Chapin was town-clerk; Col. Ichabod Thayer, Nathaniel Parkhurst, and James Perry, selectmen; David Stearns, Nathaniel Parkhurst, and Col. Benjamin Godfrey, assessors; Ichabod Thayer, Col. Samuel Jones, and Lieut. Ephraim Chapin, moderators. In 1803 the Artillery Company, which became rather famous, was organized, with Pearley Hunt as captain, John Claflin, jun., 1st lieutenant, and Levi Chapin, 2d lieutenant. In 1814, during the war with England, it was ordered to Boston for the public defence, and served two months. The company was then officered, with captain, Rufus Thayer; 1st lieutenant, Ezra Nelson; 2d lieutenant, Henry Nelson. The men who served in the ranks are remembered and honored here to-day. When the news came of peace, in 1815, there was a grand illumination, with candles, of the houses here, and a ball, remembered by Mr. Aaron Claflin.

From this date down we have the memory of this living cyclopædia of the sayings and doings of three or four generations of Milford, to which we insist that both he and his brother, Mr. Horace B., still belong. We have also the memory of others living. My time only permits culling a reminiscence now and then. As Mr. Aaron Claflin remembers the Milford of that date, his father, John Claflin, Esq., and Col. Godfrey's farms took up nearly all the land about and near the meeting-house; Darius and his son Sullivan Sumner's farms, about the whole of the now lower village. Besides Claflin's and Col. Godfrey's houses and stores, and the plastered one-story house of Darius Sumner, the only buildings then on what is now Main Street for the entire length of the two villages, were houses of Amasa and Levi Chapin, William Godfrey, Bennett, Bathrick, White's house and store; the "Lard House," still standing; Rufus Chapin's house, metamorphosed from a shop; the large Sumner House, still standing;

a small store of Sylvester Dean, and opposite Pearley Hunt's three-story house and store, still there; Nathan Parkhurst's house and mill; across the river, David Stearns's house, still inhabited; Benjamin Gibbs's house and shop; houses of James Barbour, Asa Cheney, Amasa Parkhurst, and Wiswall. North from the meeting-house was Dr. Brighams' house, and the Rev. Mr. Long's one-story house, and a few scattered houses in the outskirts. That's all there was of Milford in 1815. Godfrey, sen., Claflin, White, Hunt, Dean, and Samuel Penniman at So. Milford, were the storekeepers. They kept variety stores.

It is related of Pearley Hunt, that it was his great pride to keep such a variety that no one could ask for any thing he did not have; and that one day, to try him, a wag called for a medium-sized pulpit. The 'squire promptly replied that he believed he had one left. He really had one, bought at some auction. Peter Rockwood was wheelwright. Ebenezer Hunt had a factory, at what is "Bungy." Arial Bragg was here making shoes, employing half a dozen men. He was so prosperous, that, in 1819, he built a shop 30 feet by 20, two stories high, costing $260. Rufus Chapin was making sewed boots, employing a few hands; his shop was then only 12 feet by 10. He began business here in 1812, — the first to manufacture boots in Milford as a steady business. He was energetic, and bound to succeed, as he did. His daughter, Mrs. Angenette Thayer, gives us his account of his first trip to New York. "After an affecting farewell to his family, he went by stage from some point in the county to Albany; then down the Hudson by sail-boat to New York; from there by sail-boat to Providence, where his man and team were three days waiting for him. He was gone three weeks. When Pearley Hunt went, it was the common talk of every man, woman, and child for weeks. My father, Orison Underwood, remembers that when he came to town, in 1822, besides the two pioneers, Bragg and Chapin, the latter's shop being enlarged to 36 feet by 15, Ammon Cobb and John Mason made a few calf-boots. Lee Claflin was manufacturing brogans, Oliver B. Parkhurst and Schuyler Reading making shoes, and Carmel Cheney a few boots. All of them peddled their boots and shoes in Boston or Providence themselves, or sent to Boston by Ezekiel Jones, or to Providence by Otis Parkhurst, the two marketmen, the expressmen of the day, who did a good deal of shopping for the people here; Jones's specialty being ladies' dry goods and knick-knacks; Parkhurst's, groceries and West-India goods. Ziba and Stephen Parkhurst were running a factory here. Esquire Hunt, he remembers vividly, had the first four-wheeled chaise, which he had to borrow, as the last resort, to go to a

party, the other young men having taken up all the two-wheeled chaises. He did not think his turnout was quite up to the rest."

In 1822 he had to turn out with the old militia company, as every man between eighteen and forty-five years of age had to, twice a year, who did not belong to the volunteer artillery company, composed, from its organization, of the picked chivalry of the town. This old infantry company was an institution not to be overlooked when we are recalling the past. It had come down from just after the close of the Revolution, and, with the regiment to which it belonged, had given titles to most of the leading men of the town. Colonels Ichabod Thayer, Samuel Jones, Samuel Nelson, Benjamin Godfrey, Ezekiel Jones, Arial Bragg (after twenty-nine years' service), Sullivan Sumner, and Major Hachaliah Whitney had been officers in them. Captains Sylvester Dean, Rufus Chapin, and Col. Leonard Hunt had been, or were soon after. Each man in the ranks must be armed and equipped as the law directed. The guns, cartridge-boxes, and accoutrements must be in good order, and pass a rigid inspection: but the uniform was not prescribed; and it might be of any style or material, from "heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth;" and all the kingdoms — animal, mineral, and even the vegetable — were levied upon to furnish odd and striking outfits. All the wars, from the French and Indian down, were represented by pieces or shreds in the uniforms. The variety of colors in some exhausted the spectrum, and Joseph's coat of many colors would have seemed rather tame in comparison. One of the most striking sights impressed upon my boyish memory was that line of "The Continentals," as they used to be called, standing in front of Col. Sumner's tavern, just before or just after a drink there, — probably both. Whenever I see the 4th of July processions of "Antiques and Horribles," I am reminded strikingly of the now departed "Rang de dangs," which was another name for them. They had many martial virtues, but, like mankind, their weaknesses. They were a bibulous army. One of the favorite marches then was to the tavern beyond the elder John Claflin's place, near the Holliston line, called "Granny Littlefield's;" and the objective of the expedition was uniformly the same, — to "drink him dry." With that "war-cry" they were uniformly victorious, captured the garrison by a combined assault, confiscated all the stores, and wrecked the magazine; and the booty was always paid for, when the company had recovered its equilibrium, by a levy of not over thirty cents per man. The relative increase in the cost of such luxuries nowadays will be noted by those interested.

In 1819 began the famous war, as it may appropriately be called,

between Town and Parish, which lasted longer than either war with England, and interested the people here much more. Many of my hearers were living here when it began; many more remember, as I do, the bitter party feeling which it caused. It has happily long since died out; and we sons or grandsons of the two fighting factions can now talk it over in the peace of these years, and smile over it as a bit of curious history in the past.

The plucky and pugnacious spirit of the pioneers, and of their descendants of the Revolutionary days, seemed to have died out in the thrifty farmers and mechanics of the new century, who were meekly raising corn and sheep and making brooms and boots and shoes, and leading a humdrum life generally, when all at once the old spirit which they inherited broke out in a first-class fight, — as if that quarrelsome spinster to whom Homer ascribes the origin of all strife in this world, the Goddess of Discord, had looked down upon this pastoral and happy circle, and thought it was about time to have a rumpus in it; and so she tossed down an apple out of her barrel. It was one of her biggest, for the apple of discord in this case was the meeting-house; and it was the same old apple question that put the Greeks and Trojans by the ears. Whose was it, — Town's or Parish's?

Everybody still voted in town-meeting on parochial affairs, but under the bill of rights only stated worshippers in the parish meeting-house could be taxed for Mr. Long's support. The Universalists and Methodists now outnumbered them, formed an allied opposition, and voted parochial appropriations only on condition they should be released from paying.

In this state of things the members of Mr. Long's church and the worshippers there, in 1815, acting under the advice of Seth Hastings, Esq., of Mendon, organized themselves into a separate parish, resuming, as they claimed, all the rights of the old precinct before the incorporation of the town; in 1818, voted to build a new meeting-house and to move away the old one, which they claimed belonged to them as successors of the precinct. The members of the other denominations denied the claim, believed that the town, not the new parish, was heir to the precinct, and inherited the meeting-house in which the town-meetings had always been held, and protested against moving it. The members of the resuscitated parish threw down the gauntlet, and made preparations, notwithstanding the protest, to move it. On old Election Day, in 1819, which was a holiday, as usual, a large and curious crowd gathered to see Elihu Perry put the old hallowed place of worship on rollers and move it off, — partly a jolly and

partly a cross crowd, as they belonged to one party or the other. Esquire Claflin's tavern was near at hand: the staple of New England flowed freely according to the custom of the times; and before nightfall many of the crowd of witnesses became mellower in their views, and forgot which side they were on.

The Town party immediately appealed to the law. The selectmen that year were Pearley Hunt, the chief; Arial Bragg, the next best man of the Town party in the long struggle; and Amasa Parkhurst, father of Nelson. Suit was brought against Col. Benjamin Godfrey, John Claflin, jun., the recognized old and young leaders of the Parish, and Joel Howard. It was three years before this lawsuit was decided.

The Parish went ahead, meanwhile, in the building of the new meeting-house on the site of the old one. The members of the church set apart a season for special united prayer "in view of the unprovoked opposition and devices raised by many out of the Parish against building." Mr. Long saw "Divine Providence visible," as he records it, in the safe removal of the old building without accident; the Town party probably did not see it. In the same pious spirit the building proceeded. The workmen, before they drove a nail in the morning, had prayers at the frame; and when they knocked off work at night, joined in a prayer and a hymn. After the building was finished, the sale of pews was opened with devotions. As it proceeded, there were opportunities for refreshment in the vestibule, which were not slighted. The bidding, from various causes, was spirited. The sum realized paid for the house and put $3,000 surplus in the treasury. Parishes groaning under a debt may possibly find something of interest in studying this case. The building was solemnly dedicated. After all, there was a dedication ball. This is a picture of the times. As another illustration of a similar sort, at the funeral of Mrs. Long, in 1824 or 1825, Mr. Claflin says he carried to the parsonage two quarts of rum and two quarts of brandy, and the requisite loaf-sugar, as his father's quota of the contributions. One of the features of the meeting-house that I remember so well were the figures "1819" in the keystone over the high pulpit.

Esquire Hunt and his selectmen, the defenders of the Town's rights, now averring that these trespassers had carried off the town-house, and refusing to accept as a favor a hall finished off in the old meeting-house, called a town-meeting in June, mustered their forces, and carried a vote to build a new town-house on a spot of ground opposite Darius Sumner's house, which he in open meeting gave for a town-house and common, appropriated $1,000, and appointed a building

committee. Before the year 1819 closed, the brick town-house was finished, which is still standing. Henceforth the town-house became the headquarters, and the common and its neighborhood the camp, of the Town party; and as no headquarters could be complete without a base of supplies near at hand, a tavern was opened there that year by Col. Sumner.

The Town party was thus victorious in town-meeting; but when the fall came around, it was found that it was one thing to vote and assess taxes, and another for Clark Ellis to collect them. The Parish party, after holding a council of war, refused to pay their taxes, a part of which were for building the town-house; and Clark Ellis had to distrain for them. So he attached the horses and chaises of the Parish nullifiers; and the Parish common, at the time of the tax-sale, was black with them. The Parish men, as a band of brothers, bid in each other's property. In one of the years of disputed taxes, Clark Sumner arrested Col. Godfrey and Artemas Thayer for non-payment of taxes, and carried them to Worcester jail. The prisoners drove themselves; the open wagon broke down, but the prisoners refused to escape, — it was too jolly a frolic to lose. They had the key turned on them in jail; then, after the protest, paid the taxes and costs, and prisoners and officer came home together, the best of friends. Then, of course, everybody sued the tax assessors — David Stearns, Henry Nelson, and James Perry — for trespass; and another batch of suits went into the law's mill to be slowly ground out.

Pearley Hunt and the Universalists of the Town party next vowed that they would have a meeting-house of their own, on their own ground; so Pearley Hunt and Ebenezer Hunt, Arial Bragg, Henry Nelson, Darius, Ellis, and Clark Sumner, John Corbett, Alexander and Caleb Cheney, Zebediah Flagg, and Otis Parkhurst associated themselves together as proprietors to build it, Pearley Hunt taking one-quarter of the stock. They were bound to outdo the Parish, according to their notions. They built it of brick, a fraction larger than the Parish structure, and had a heavier bell, which I thought, as a boy, was a finishing stroke on our side. It was finished in 1820, and dedicated next year with great pomp. Hosea Ballou preached the sermon; Thomas Whittemore soon after was installed as minister. I remember well its capacious interior, with its large galleries, before it was razed, and Hiram Hunt's store built in the lower story, many years afterward.

It was now the Parish's turn to do something to distinguish itself. So the next year, 1822, William Godfrey (his father had just died) opened a line of stages between Mendon, Milford, and Boston, in

connection with a line to Hartford. It was a great event. The central office was Esquire Claflin's tavern, and the scene of great excitement at the arrival and departure of the stage. As the driver tooted his horn, cracked his whip, and drove his horses up to the door with a gallop, the bar-room loungers and the small out-door committee looked at him as a marvel, and the whole thing as prodigious. Mr. Godfrey was always promptly on hand as proprietor, with a look of satisfaction on his kind face.

Esquire Hunt, not to be long outdone, secured a post-office here in 1823, was himself appointed postmaster, and had the post-office at his store, where I had to go so often as a boy.

In the October term of the Supreme Court, 1823, in the suit of Milford *vs.* Godfrey and others, the court decided that the Parish owned the meeting-house, and gave a new trial in the suit of Thayer *vs.* Stearns and the other assessors; and there were great rejoicings in the Parish. All sorts of technical points were raised in the suit against the assessors. In the following year, the court decided on one of them in favor of Thayer. So the assessors had been illegally collecting taxes for the town-house and other purposes, illegally seizing horses and chaises, and taking people to jail, and were threatened with stacks more of lawsuits.

The assessors commenced paying back out of their own pockets. Their salaries as assessors did not warrant any such luxury, and their friends of the town party flew to their rescue, and voted to re-imburse them by an appropriation assessed in 1825; but before the tax was collected, the Parish party mustered in such force that they carried in town-meeting a motion to "reverse, revoke, and repeal" the vote to re-imburse the assessors. The collector, however, went ahead. Some of the Parish refused to pay, as before, and arrest and distraining followed as before. Esquire Claflin and Artemas Thayer (as I am informed by Messrs. Aaron Claflin and Thomas Thayer) were arrested by the constable in the March town-meeting, 1826, as they were going to vote. It was a close election. The two dickered with the constable, proposed to pay at Claflin's store, and slipped their votes in. All three went to the store. Young William Thayer was sent on the dead run up to the old homestead for his grandfather's money-bag. Claflin turned out all his silver, which was legal tender; a hundred-dollar bank-bill would not do. They kept the constable counting fourpences and sixpences, and waiting for Thayer's silver, till the box was turned in town-meeting, and Esquire Claflin and his party were elected selectmen and to other offices, for the first time in several years, *by one majority*. The constable, who belonged to the

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town party, had lost his vote; so Mr. Carmel Cheney, still living, who was the constable, was badly outwitted.

The Parish being now in power, the unfortunate assessors could not get their money out of the town-treasury, sued the town; and that question was hung up for some years more.

The Parish, to keep up with the other concern, got a volunteer infantry company chartered in 1826, called "The Lafayette Guards." It at once became a formidable rival to the Artillery Company at many a training and muster, and on the Cornwallis days, for which Milford was quite distinguished. The Indians never scalped anybody.

The two companies and the organizations to which they belonged had as officers, and gave titles to, many of the leading citizens of Milford. From the Artillery, Majors Pearley Hunt, John Claflin, jun., Clark Sumner, John Corbett, Levi Chapin, Samuel Penniman, Captains Amasa Parkhurst, Rufus Thayer, Ezra Nelson, Henry Nelson, Clark Ellis, Hiram Hunt, H. N. Smith, Ziba Thayer, A. B. Vant, Colonels Peter Corbett, Adam Hunt, and my father, who, in 1842, was mustered out as brigadier-general, after twenty-one years' service. From the Lafayette Guards, Colonels Lewis Johnson and William R. Bliss, Captains Albert Newhall, Charles T. Eames, Aaron Claflin, Samuel Daniels, Morton Newhall, Washington Ellis, Augustus Thayer, and Timothy Ide, jun.

In 1827, if not earlier, the lower villageites opened an amateur theatre in the brick meeting-house, where their young men and women quite distinguished themselves for some years. Rev. Mr. Ballou was patron and general instructor. Mr. Seth P. Carpenter, chief manager, has preserved one of the play-bills, by which it appears, that, in the highly moral tragedy of "Remorse," in five acts, Mr. Carpenter played the part of "Don Alvar;" Stephen A. Nelson, "Don Ordonio;" J. Madison Barber, "Zulimez;" A. French Pond, "Isadore, a Moresco Chieftain," the wild chieftain's wife being Miss Hannah B. Cheney, now my respected mother; "Donna Teresa" being Miss Maria Nelson, now Mrs. O. B. Parkhurst. In the standard farce of "Fortune's Frolic," Mr. Nelson Parkhurst was "Robin Roughhead;" Mr. Carpenter, "Old Snacks;" Otis Parkhurst, Esq., afterwards lawyer, was "Rattler;" Miss Nelson, "Dolly;" Miss Cheney, "Margery." Miss Hannah B. Cheney played in all four plays during the evening. Mr. Warren Nelson, Hiram Hunt, Miss Lucy Hunt, now Mrs. Ballou, Miss Diana Barber, now Mrs. Carpenter, played on other evenings. Among the successful actors, Mr. Nelson Parkhurst showed that he was a natural-born one, and at one

bound rose from "supe" to be principal star. To my latest day, I shall not forget his acting in the "Seven Clerks."

In the spring of 1828 the Parish scored one more; William Godfrey, John Claflin, jun., Nathan Wood, and their associates were incorporated as the Milford Academy. It had a succession of able principals: Ira Cleaveland, jun., Henry Mellen Chamberlain, Charles Thurber, Messrs. Morse, Gorman, Wilmarth, Daniel Perry, Miss Clark, and Charles R. Train.

In the fall of that year, the court decided the suit of the assessors, against the town, in favor of the assessors; and Henry Nelson, the only survivor, recovered his money. The temple of Janus for Milford was now shut. It had been open for war-purposes, and the town and parish clans had been on the war-path since 1819. It was some years, though, after outward hostilities ceased, before the effects of the strife passed away. No one who is not old enough to remember it, can appreciate the intense feeling and hostility that prevailed. One party completely ostracised the other, men, women, and children; and, as a rule, there was complete non-intercourse, socially, religiously, and politically.

I mention one or two characteristic expressions of the sentiments entertained by the two parties to each other. Capt. Harwood of Oxford related to Dr. Cooke, that, meeting Esquire Hunt in Worcester one day, looking after one of the lawsuits, he asked him how things were going here. The esquire replied, "Well, whatever the other side get, they get by trick; honors don't count!" Two sons of parish leaders used to go about the streets, they say, shouting "Heaven for the Parish, Hell for the Brick!" which was an anathema, not only on the Universalist party, but on their theology as well. I remember, probably more than ten years after the Nelson case was decided, that it was the duty of a lower-village boy to be a Universalist and a Democrat; to believe in the brick meeting-house, Col. Sumner's tavern, the lower common, and Capt. Smith's or Ziba Thayer's artillery company. Even the old tumbril, as it rattled off to fall muster, had a very august appearance to me; and I think those two brass pieces inspired more awe in me than all the artillery of the Army of the Potomac did at Gettysburg. It was just as much a test of village loyalty to regard the parish meeting-house as all very well, but wooden, with a poor bell; Mr. Long's allusions in his seventhly and lastly, in his sermons, as theologically unsound, at least; the parish common as not much of an affair; the tavern not to be compared to Sumner's; and the Lafayette Guards, although we had to admit they manœuvred well under Capt. Daniels, were not of much

account with muskets beside the brass guns of the Artillery. The "Tippecanoe and Tyler too," of 1840, we did not take much stock in, or the log cabins and hard cider, and were sure of wiping them all out at the election, and were terribly crestfallen when we did not. Still, we met the boys of the other village at the academy or the private schools, played together, went to the same dancing and singing schools, and occasionally exchanged churches. We found the other boys were very good fellows after all, came to joke even about our defeats in politics or base-ball, and really formed and cemented friendships that have followed us through life, and are a delight to our memories to-day. The boys were, in time, to unite the villages.

Several causes helped to assuage the bitterness of feeling with the older people, after the fight ceased. New issues sprung up; new men came into town. Looking back to-day as descendants of the leaders or partisans in the contest, it does not seem to me there was any thing about it to regret, except the bitterness and the temporary estrangements. The rivalry was the secret of the business prosperity and growth of the Milford of that generation. It began the contest with a dilapidated meeting-house, used for town-meetings; one sleepy tavern, the people going to South Milford for their mail, and elsewhere, on foot, horseback, or wagon, as they could afford; and ended the race and the decade with two brand-new meeting-houses, a good brick town-house, two taverns where things were lively, a through stage-line, a post-office at home, a progress in manufacturing business that made it a leading town in its line, an academy that would have done credit to any community, and an additional military company, making two live ones. What town about here can match that record from 1819 to 1828? It laid such foundations of prosperity that the younger men of that struggle, and a new generation, had great advantages when they came to devote their energies to the common success and the building up of the town.

These younger men had other notable advantages with which to begin their prosperous business careers. About this time new inventions were made in the process of making boots and shoes that really made a revolution in the business. One was the use of wooden pegs, instead of thread, — the invention of Joseph Walker of the neighboring town of Hopkinton, whose son and namesake did what he could in uniting the two towns by marrying for his wife a Milford Chapin. Then the invention, as a necessary accompaniment, of a machine for making the pegs, by Mr. Samuel Goddard of Hopkinton, and the invention of using crimped forms for boot-fronts instead of sewed tongues, either the invention of or first used by Lovett and Leonard, sons of

Joseph Walker, sen. These combined inventions were at once adopted in Milford, and were for it what the invention of the cotton-gin was to the South. Rufus Chapin adopted the inventions, went ahead with great determination, enlarged his business, and his customers came from as far off as Charleston, S.C. New men started. Seth P. Carpenter, Adam Hunt, Silas Myrick, as partner of Lee Claflin, who began to manufacture boots; and in 1829 my father began, in a shop that we should now call a coop, with $100 capital, carrying his few dozen pairs of boots when made, covered up in a wagon with a cow-skin, off to market. In 1835 the firm of Godfrey & Mayhew started in the currying business, later taking on the boot manufacture. Lewis Johnson began the tin business.

Then came 1837, the year of general failures. Rufus Chapin, "the boss," as he was called, had to succumb to it; surrendered every thing to his creditors, even his family's uncut dress-patterns, and paid, as his daughter remembers, 99⅔ cents on the dollar. Fashions do change so! You never hear of that kind of failure nowadays! That year 128,000 pairs of boots were made here, and 305 males employed.

Milford at this period was quite devoted to amusements. It was famous for its base-ball playing, and had great matches. Wholly different from their fathers of the last century, the younger people from this time on devoted themselves to dancing with as much energy as they did to business. Parties began, though, at five P.M., and sometimes at one.

The Parish opened a rival theatre in the academy building. Many of the actors are well remembered. Mr. D. S. Godfrey sang and danced to great acceptance the then lately introduced and highly popular song of "Jim Crow." In the favorite farce of "Fortune's Frolic" he played the part of Old Snacks with great power; while Robin Roughhead, a success also, was a young native of the name of William Claflin, afterwards his Excellency the Governor of this Commonwealth and member of Congress for this district. I do not remember to have seen these two stars, — an irreparable loss to me; but I do remember that Mr. Samuel Godfrey, as an actor, made a great impression on me. Unfortunately for his native town, he died young.

As to the academy itself, the teacher of my day is a vivid picture in my memory. I see him still, presiding over the hushed benches of boys and girls, which he ruled gently if he could, but by "force and arms" if he must, sitting in an easy-chair poised on two legs, behind a table, which in my memory seems to have been twenty-five

feet long, with his nicely-fitting French boots resting precisely in the centre of the same, his eyes like an eagle's, that were certain to see every thing done by the mischievous, his talons as swift and unerring; but to the studious and deserving, their ready help and best friend. Under him I received my first lessons in oratory, and had my first stage-fright (not my last one), and with trembling knees and ashy lips declaimed about the industry of "The Little Busy Bee," and took other youthful and awkward steps on the road to knowledge's hill. For his instructions, and his patience with such an unpromising subject, I express my deep gratitude to him to-day. With a grateful remembrance of these, I sought him afterwards to instruct me in the mysteries of Coke and Blackstone. My instructor, my associate afterwards for years, and my life-long friend, — the Hon. Charles R. Train, formerly member of Congress, and late Attorney-General of the State.

I am under great obligations also for several years' drill in Greek and Latin, and x, y, z, to another faithful teacher, who kept a migratory private school, sometimes in Mason's shop, sometimes in a vacant schoolhouse, — always an honored citizen of Milford, — Leander Holbrook, Esq. A great many here are graduates of his school. The high-school in 1850 came after my school-days.

In the politics of those days, there were adepts in the noble art of log-rolling, as to-day. One of your citizens, long since gone, was a success in this line, and was in the zenith of his fame in log-cabin and hard-cider times, — Mr. Africa Madden. He knew how to pack caucuses in the innocent ways of those days, and to beguile the simple gingerbread-eaters at town-meetings to vote for his man, who was sure to be a Democrat. He knew how to manage hymeneal campaigns as well, and asked the important question for many a bashful swain (he asked his late in life); a faithful friend and a generous-hearted man.

They had a mild species of the tramp then. The lamented Alden Barrett had his regular rounds, and called at stated times for his quart of cider, and always wanted to see the picture at the bottom of the mug. He had the shrewdness of his class. When Mr. Stearns Godfrey once wished to know what he was going to do with a fourpence that he had asked for, as usual, he said to him, "How do you suppose I should look sleeping in Dexter Walker's barn without a cent of money in my pocket?" Mr. Jason Desper was not beneath chopping wood before he got his nine large potatoes for breakfast, just eighteen mouthfuls, on authentic testimony. Mr. Howe had his customers, and likewise "Black Billy," with his fourteens boots, — the gift of an admirer. That simple and vacant face and shuffling

gait, — how well I remember them! Nobody should think of leaving out of the Milford of that day "Mr. Discovery." Most everybody understood his device of looking for the peg in the bottom of his empty boot, where he had his supplies. The majesty of the law was then, or soon after, represented by Mr. John Erskine, the town Esquire. I used to envy the court his success in shooting rabbits and catching pickerel when the rigor of the law relaxed itself. The principal tailor our way was Mr. Ira Cheney. The doctors, as I remember, were Peck, Fay, Scammell, and, not long after, Leland. I never shall forget Dr. Fay's doorstep, and that old-fashioned instrument of torture for extracting teeth. The artist of that or a little later period was Mr. David Jones, justly celebrated for his great painting of "The Striped Pig."

No lover of the institutions of his native town then ever neglected an opportunity to visit the hermitage of the Twitchells.

In 1838 a company of "infantry," in both senses, was formed, carrying weapons not forged by Vulcan, but by Mr. Johnson, the tinman, and some carpenter. I was a high-private. Our captain, who was as ready to lead where glory awaits as we to follow, was Capt. Samuel Walker, whom I have to thank for my first lessons in the art of war.

The success of Milford during the first quarter of the century under the men of that day — its Stearnses, its Godfreys, Hunt, Claflins, Bragg, Chapins, Parkhursts, Nelsons, Perrys, Sumners, Ellis, Dean, and others — was as nothing to that which it achieved during the next quarter from the ability, energy, pluck, and generous public spirit of the men who commenced business soon after this quarter began, with the advantages I have mentioned. When they began, the town had a population of 1,300, and a valuation of $389,941, making less than 100,000 pairs of boots, with other industries in proportion. It was a far inland town, away one side from the great through-lines of travel and transportation that were opening up now; a dozen miles from the railroad lately opened; with a soil so rocky and unfruitful that there was little prospect of the town's growing rich and populous in farming; and at the end of the half-century, these enterprising men had made a town of 5,000 inhabitants, with a valuation of $1,196,792, making over a million pairs of boots, employing 3,500 men and women, with a railroad running here transporting them and their goods to all the markets of the world, a bank of their own, a score of prosperous industries, furnishing supplies at their own doors, and the streets of the town built up with shops and houses of a busy and successful people. The different stages of this

great success, and details about the men, my time and your patience do not permit me to particularize. Too many of you remember them, to make it necessary I should. Among those who are to be remembered to-day by us for achieving this great prosperity here, and the means for a greater in the second quarter-century, — I do not undertake to mention all, — some are, or were, Lee Claflin, David Stearns Godfrey, Aaron C. Mayhew, Aaron Claflin, Seth P. Carpenter, Adam and Hiram Hunt, Oliver B. and Nelson Parkhurst, Alfred Bragg, Dexter Walker, William A. Hayward, and, if I may be permitted to mention him, my honored father.

David Stearns Godfrey, grandson of the leading man in the close of the last century and beginning of this, may be said to have been the leader of his time here, without any disparagement of the rest. Energetic, public-spirited, whole-souled, generous-hearted, cultivated, gentlemanly in the best sense, he entered with enthusiasm into every enterprise for the public improvement or the bettering of his neighbors and friends. He was too large-hearted and liberal to be influenced by the old Town and Parish jealousy, and did as much as any one man to end it. Unpretending and unaffected in his way, caring less for his personal appearance always than the kindly greeting of friends and neighbors, he won the confidence of all. While Messrs. Mayhew, Carpenter, A. Hunt, A. Bragg, my father, and other business men of Milford, were working hard to secure the railroad and then the bank here, he entered with his whole soul into the enterprises, and gave weeks of his valuable time, as did others, before legislative committees. He was a constant and reliable as well as powerful friend, as it was my privilege to know. In many ways he devoted the best energies of his too short life to his native town, dying at forty-one years of age, in 1853.

The signal prosperity that Milford had attained in the middle of this century, through the instrumentality of such enterprising and public-spirited citizens, continued increasing for the next decade from the impetus thus received and from the fresh energies of new business men, who just before or soon after 1850 came on to the scene, — most of them natives here: such men as Samuel Walker, Benjamin D. Godfrey, Elbridge Mann, Otis Thayer, E. F. Battles & Brothers, William H. Comstock, J. P. Daniels, Charles F. Claflin (son of Aaron), A. J. Sumner, Homer Ball, John Goldsmith, Bainbridge Hayward, Rufus Claflin, A. B. Vant, Alden & Harrington, the sons of Arial Bragg, J. H. Clement, George D. Colburn, John Erskine, jun., William Walker, George W. Johnson, J. D. Hunt, E. Whitney, and others, in the boot business; J. H. Barker, Thayer & Smith,

Heath & Dyer, Chapin & Gleason, Ellis & Howard, B. E. Harris, Ebenezer and George Draper, E. C. Claflin, William Crocker, Thomas B. Thayer (son of Artemas), G. W. Stacy, Z. C. Field, L. H. Cook, and many besides in other branches; Leander Holbrook, J. S. Scammell, T. G. Kent, George G. Parker, H. B. Staples, Esquires, of the lawyers; Samuel Hayward, deputy sheriff; G. Dickinson and the Cookes, dentists.

Then came the Rebellion; and if Milford did not make any money during that period, it is greatly to her credit. But she did do her full share in the nation's defence, as she had done in every war before. She sent twelve hundred men with thirty-five commissioned officers in all — more than her quota — into the field; fifty of her men were killed in battle, some of them on as hard-fought fields as any in the war. Four organized companies went out, one after the other. The Davis Guard, under Capt., afterward the lamented Lieut.-Col. Robert Peard, and then the brave O'Neil, Co. H, 9th Mass.; the infantry company organized here in 1863; a company in 40th New York regiment, under Capt., afterwards Lieut.-Col. Lindsay; Co. B, 25th Mass., under Capt. Willard Clark, afterwards Capt. William Emery; Co. C, 28th Mass., Capt. Britton, then Capt. Cooley; Co. F, 36th Mass., under Capt., afterwards Brevet Brig.-Gen. W. F. Draper. A majority served in organizations not identified with the town. The good and able physician, so well remembered by many of you, Dr. Francis Leland, served as surgeon in the 2d Mass. infantry so faithfully as to earn the gratitude of the entire regiment, as I know; was wounded in battle, and came home with health impaired, to die in your midst.

At Gettysburg that regiment made one of the most gallant charges of the war into the enemy's works, and had to fall back, though in perfect order, with the loss of half its men and officers, and found shelter part way back under a stone wall. I quote now the words of Lieut.-Col. Morse, then commanding the regiment after Lieut.-Col. Mudge was that day killed: "Col. Morse called for a volunteer to go back to Col. Colgrove, over the rest of the meadow, under a murderous fire. A private promptly volunteered; with cool *nonchalance* threw his gun to right shoulder shift, and started under fire, a conspicuous mark; went coolly, double-quick; returned with orders to fall back, and for bravery was mentioned in general orders, and made corporal of the color-guard. A bullet passed through one side of his canteen. Then the regiment moved back, a movement witnessed by thousands of the soldiers of both armies." That private was Amos L. Madden of Milford, son of our old friend Africa Madden.

The younger business and professional men of this generation have not been more idle than their elders who are still busily at work here, or have passed off the stage, or behind them in energy and thrift; are modestly learning to take the lead, and are relied upon, and deemed indispensable in every public, social, or religious enterprise. The newer names, as well as the others I have mentioned, come at once to your lips; and you can call the roll much better than I can. If you need to be reminded of what they have been doing here the past few years, compare your statistics in the last census with those before. Your record in 1875 was a town of nearly 10,000 inhabitants, with a valuation of $5,000,000; your people successfully engaged in fifty different occupations; with eighty manufacturing and mechanical establishments; twenty-one boot and shoe factories, all turning out $4,000,000 worth of goods per year, one concern making 1,500,000 pairs of boot-heels; the Hopedale machine-shops supplying the whole world with machinery; three railroad and several stage lines; two banks and one savings bank; a gas-light company; three printing-offices, and the Messrs. Cook printing a live "Milford Journal;" eight lawyers; ten ministers; thirteen physicians; and no end of tailors and milliners. Look at the improvements inside your factories and workshops, and note the comforts in your houses.

Fellow-Citizens, — Thus the different generations in the century, who are passing in review before us to-day, and whom you see better doubtless with your eyes than mine, have performed their appointed tasks. They are standing silently before our bar for judgment; and we, with our brief authority, sit in the judges' seats. Let us remember we are to judge them by their light, and not ours. Let us not forget, too, the divine warning, "with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged."

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, what say you of the defendants at the bar? Did they not do their work well? Do we not owe them gratitude and reverence? Could we have done any better? Are we doing as well? Your verdict on your consciences.

Soon we shall dismiss these people of the past to the sleep from which we have summoned them. But their work remains behind, and we reap its fruits. Let us not forget their names, or the debt we owe them. Let their memories be treasured forever in these hills and valleys and streams that they loved to look upon as do we of to-day. As long as they shall remain here, let a grateful remembrance of our fathers and predecessors here endure. And may their useful deeds and the good in their lives be gratefully remembered long after all we

of the present shall have gone, when others shall turn their eyes as fondly and longingly as do we wanderers from home here to far-seeing Magomiscock, dear old Bear Hill, dark-shadowed Maspenock, and busy Mill River, and the long-winding Charles, and to these now green fields, beautiful in our eyes to-day, as ever in our memory, with fragrant June roses, and the gold and silver of buttercups and daisies.

Music by the Milford Brass Band.

ORIGINAL POEM

BY CHARLES THURBER, ESQ., OF PHILADELPHIA, ONCE PRECEPTOR OF THE MILFORD ACADEMY.

The preacher in the sacred desk, ere getting under way,
Informs us kindly what his text, and what he means to say.

My text is Milford: and I, first, will give a sketch or two
Of Milford as she used to be, and what she used to do;
And secondly, I wish to speak of some old pioneers,
Who waked themselves and others up, in Milford's younger years;
And thirdly, of some wayward boys who left their native plains,
And what they've done in other fields with Milford-lighted brains;
And fourthly, I propose to show, if time and you allow,
How this old town appears to-day, and what she's doing now;
And then I fondly hope to reach, as other parsons do,
The improvement of the subject which I now present to you.

Not born in Milford, if a fault, it is no fault of mine:
I was a passive passenger upon another line;
And, though it brought me to the State, with all a mother's care,
As far as Brookfield, I was dropped to set up business there;
And I was more than twenty years upon my winding way
Before I reached the pleasant town where we convene to-day.
I've named this unimportant fact, that Milford might not fear
Because I'm singing, some might think that I'd my birthplace here.
And all the reason why I'm here, I'm willing all should know,
Is, I was Milford's pedagogue some fifty years ago;
And I can say with perfect truth, and under perjury's pains,
That I have four good Milford years still running in my veins;
And that they were as pleasant four as I have ever passed,
And whose aroma still exists, and will forever last.
And so I hope you'll bear in mind, as I shall pass along,
That 'tis the Milford part of me that sings the present song.

Some fifty years ago to-day, from history it appears,
Live Yankees had been living here at least for fifty years.

They'd felled the forests, ploughed the fields, and blown away the rocks,
And, on the fertile acres, fed their lowing herds and flocks.
They'd built the schoolhouse (red, of course), in every corner where
Their little sinners might, for truth, in all its shades, repair.
They'd built their churches where they all, according to their views,
Might hear John Calvin's doctrines preached, or listen to Ballou's,
Or, sighing for a livelier time, with joyful hearts might turn
Where Wesley's spirits all aglow, and kindred bosoms burn;
But John the Baptist had not yet appeared upon the scene,
And made his crystal Jordan run between its banks of green;
Nor had old Rome the fiat sent that bade the faithful flock
Pile yonder grand cathedral up as solid as a rock.
And now all these are hard at work to baffle sin's assault,
And if all Milford is not saved, it will be Milford's fault.

There were some grand old pioneers who'd heard the people snore;
And they resolved they must wake up, and they did sleep no more.
And so they bade the stages run 'twixt everywhere and town,
As swift as lightning, so we thought, when riding up and down.
And then the people could not sleep, and could not stay at home,
For merry Levi's whip would crack, and tell the town he'd come;
For whene'er Johnson swung the lash, the legal-tender snap
Was sharp enough to rouse the deaf, and break the soundest nap.

And Milford then had two good inns, where travellers loved to rest;
For all the people far and near deemed them among the best.
And there the neighbors used to flock, and pass the hours till late,
To hear the news and tell the news, and fix affairs of state.
And if, perchance, it was too hot, or if too cold a night,
They brought the matter to the bar, and set the mercury right.
And when the curtain-lecture came, they smoothed the matter down
With the assurance that they'd met with leading men in town.

And Milford had two villages, and fifty years have run;
And, although she has grown so fast, she now has only one.

The string of tombs that lined the street which we forever saw,
Sometimes with careless, thoughtless gaze, sometimes with solemn awe,
At every moment of the time all the seasons through,
Looked out upon the villages, and kept them strictly two:
And that no inharmonious fact might find the slightest room,
The doctor, with his medicines, lived nearest to the tomb.

Her public schools had been her pride e'er since her race begun,
And now the fitting time had come to found a higher one;
And it was built beside the church, upon the village green;
And Milford's son was asked to come, and start the new machine.

And he did come, and started it, and made it run so smooth
'Twould really almost run alone, and teach the pupils truth;
And Milford girls and Milford boys flocked to it, day by day,
And many a young outsider came to join the glad array.
But soon another teacher came, and on the platform stood;
And if he did not do as well, he did the best he could.
And if he did not aid as much the pupils that he taught,
As he himself desired to do, or they believed he ought,
One thing I know, that teacher learned more rapidly and more
Than in as many studious hours he'd ever learned before.
These pleasant reminiscences of fifty years ago
I'm not afraid to sing about, for they are things I know.
Ideals, unsubstantial things, the poets of old days
Preferred to every other thing, to weave within their lays;
But on this gay centennial day, reminded of old times,
The real and substantial things get tangled in my rhymes.
Young Milford had, so long ago, about three thousand souls,
Divided nearly equally when coming to the polls:
And when the contest grew so warm that victory hung in doubt,
The pedagogue and parson came, and worked the problem out.

There were, I knew them very well, in Milford's early years,
Among her active citizens some fearless pioneers.
These gallant spirits, rivals oft, and always fighting well,
But in a way that victory should for Milford's interests tell;
And though they fought for number one, as prudence bade them do,
The added means of number one assisted number two.
The miser's wealth would be a curse if hoarded where it could
Do neither him who hoarded it, nor anybody good:
The wealth in active service, though it swell the owner's pelf,
Promotes the public good as well as e'en the owner's self;
And Milford's wealthiest kept their wealth in action, all the way,
Or Milford then would not have been the Milford of to-day.

That good old Book, a present sent from heaven's Eternal King,
As undisturbed and quiet, oft, as if a worthless thing,
Would tell us, if we'd let it tell, how men, for centuries gone,
Still live and speak, and counsel us, and urge the living on;
And so methinks the counsel comes from Milford's pioneers,
And falls, like magic, gently down, and lights in filial ears.

There was the doctor, always charged with something he'd to say
About the glory yet to come upon the latter day;
Who had as generous, kind a heart, as woman ever bore,
Who'd give for sorrow all he had, and give a good deal more.
And though, not holding, as to wealth, a very lofty niche,
He always was just on the point of being very rich,

Aaron Clafflin.

And always gave as cheerfully as if the wealth to come
Were ready in his pocket-book, or in his vaults at home.
Forever planning for his own or his dear Milford's sake,
Or bringing up some new device for keeping folks awake,
And trying, with consummate skill and hygienic lore,
To keep them from that dreadful sleep that knows no waking more.
And now, of all those pioneers whom I can here recall,
Although he lived a checkered life, he yet outlived them all.

Among them was a solid 'Squire, reliable as the sun,
Who never said he'd do a thing and leave the thing undone.
He was a favorite of good luck, the people used to say,
Because his pile, however large, grew larger every day;
But doubtless shrewdness, industry, good judgment, care, and nerve
Assisted him to make a hit and very seldom swerve.
That gravel-hill, whose inner wealth was ready for a slide
To fill up any vehicle that backed against its side,
If some one else had owned the land, the people used to say,
It would have been down underground or been a hill of clay.
But, probably, God placed it there according to his will,
And knew who would be shrewd enough to own the gravel-hill;
But let that pass. Whate'er he gained was not in vaults concealed,
But kept at work, as hard as he, in Milford's fertile field.
He bade those little homes start up, where strangers used to come,
And grow forthwith to Milford boys, each in his own "sweet home;"
And he so trained his merry sons, 'midst all his other cares,
They scarcely could help turning out two solid millionnaires.

Up yonder, where the velvet fields were little else than rocks,
More numerous than the spires of grass that fed his herds and flocks,
Where ne'er a plough had dared to go since Time his race begun,
And foxes always had to walk, because they could not run,
A Milford boy has bid the rocks dive down to depths below,
And earth rise up, where crops may wave, and flowers may bud and blow.
And now there are not stones enough, in all the field, alas!
To drive away the trespassers that walk across the grass;
And then, his walls are built so thick, that, if they should tip o'er,
They would be somewhat higher walls than they had been before,
And might, if they were vain enough, ask any passer-by
Who happened just to glance at them, "Say! how is this for high?"
Oh! if the former pioneer, who used to own the rocks,
Should re-appear, some pleasant morn, within his usual walks,
And tell some neighbor, "That's my farm; but where has he who owns
Put my aristocratic rocks, and my plebeian stones?"
He'd answer, what he's done with some, these solid walls attest;
But Aaron's rod, his golden-rod, has swallowed up the rest.

A costly feat? 'Tis cheap enough, and yet a precious one;
It shows how almost any thing can easily be done;
How labor makes the desert smile, and blossom like the rose,
While gold does nothing but supply the victuals and the clothes.
The yellowest gold would starve to death or ask the town to aid,
If labor did not lend a hand, with sickle, hoe, and spade;
But labor can both live and laugh without a single sou,
For it can get whate'er it wants with what it has to do.
Thus, work is richer far than wealth. Oh, yes! a thousandfold;
And yet we sometimes really think we'd rather have the gold.
A costly feat! And what if 'tis? he has his millions spread
At every point where it can aid in pushing things ahead.
Now, if he dies before I do, he'll please leave me enough
To compensate for giving him this most important puff.

In Gotham, where the nations swarm, and traffic wakes the fray,
And rogues and sharpers, day and night, are watching for the prey,
And competition, Argus-eyed, looks o'er the board to scan
How others move, before 'tis safe to move a single man,
A Milford boy is moving on, as gay and calm and cool
As when he played upon the green, or maybe played at school.
And though still merry as a lark, when throwing off his cares,
He is a solid millionnaire 'mongst Gotham's millionnaires.
There he has acres piled with goods, as much as they can hold,
Which, tumbled over once or twice, leave acres of pure gold;
And though in every busy street, 'twixt Worth and pious Wall,
He has to feel of Traffic's pulse and diagnose it all,
Yet when the sun goes down the west, and leaves the azure dome,
He's jovial as old Horace was in his Pompeiian home.
Now, as we look along the past, and with its scenes commune,
And trace its actors all the way to this glad day of June,
We see what princely fortunes would in all your coffers flow,
If you'd attended Milford's school some fifty years ago.

One pioneer, we thought him old, — he did seem aged then,
For we had scarcely reached the time when people called us men,
But yet the time, the very time, when it so much annoys
Whenever people speak of us to have them call us boys;
And you might think, from what I said upon a former page,
That even I have come to be some fifty years of age;
But as to this, there is one truth that is exceeding clear,
'Tis very dangerous to believe all that we see or hear.
But whether that grand pioneer was either young or old,
One thing is clear, — whate'er he touched, it seemed to change to gold;
But howe'er fast the gold came in, and that was never slow,
In streams almost as large and fast the treasures used to go;
And though o'er all the wealth acquired he kept strict watch and ward,
He ne'er forgot to show his love for learning and the Lord.

Then, with his spirit kindling up, his boy, then grown a youth,
Went plucking, as he passed along, the precious gems of truth,
And darting out, with buoyant tread, from his own home and hearth,
Became an earnest factor in the industries of earth.
And wealth woke up where'er he went, and tumbled in his till,
Not at the bidding of good luck, but labor, care, and skill;
And then he mounted, step by step, up that meridian straight,
Through many a post of honor till he reached the chair of state;
And there he sat for many a year at Massachusetts' helm,
And steered the gallant frigate safe through party's rocky realm.
And now we've seen him shoot away where right and wrong are mixed
So thoroughly, the keenest eye scarce sees the line betwixt.
And stocks are shrewdly placed among the legislative brood
Where sure to be in friendly hands, and certain to do good.
But he will move in honor's path, and not in interest's curves;
For he has taken with him there the Captain whom he serves.
Whatever bribery undertakes, *he's* sure to be untried,
For he permits the world to see who's walking at his side.

'Twas some years since, one summer day, within a cool retreat
Where all, that could leave home a while, had come to shun the heat;
Among them two young ladies roved, from where I knew full well
A son of Milford, long ago, had left his home to dwell.
I asked them if they knew my friend; both uttered, with a start,
"What! father Cleveland? bless your soul! I know him all by heart!
When all looks dark, and things go wrong, and duty's path is dim,
We go for counsel nowhere else so gladly as to him;
And when we follow his advice, though all looks dark as night,
We walk by faith, and always find that we are going right.
And Dedham, when her Milford boy shall, at the last, lie down,
Will be a mourner at his bier beside his native town."

A few days since, at Germantown, where I absconded last,
I sat at dinner; for you know we never love to fast.
A stranger sat upon my right, and bended o'er his plate,
And spoke about his native State, — 'twas just my native State.
He mentioned Marlborough. "What!" said I, "did you know Albee too?"
"Of course I did! he taught me all I ever learned or knew."
He was a quiet, thoughtful man; but made his influence felt
Beyond the boundaries of the town in which he taught and dwelt,
Till, by sheer merit's gravity that triumphs soon or late,
He settled down a senator in our dear native State."
So if this pupil felt so well, it cannot be denied
Both Milford and myself may feel a little touch of pride;
For he was born and grew a man in this his native town,
And went to her academy to find the way to Brown.

Who can that gallant man forget who was, in those far years,
One of the bravest business men among those pioneers?
Whose prancing steeds and chariot-wheels were busy, night and day,
In bringing people into town, and carrying drones away;
He brought in light, and took out light, till people far and near
Knew if there was a busy place, that busy place was here.
He knew the world, and felt at home where'er he chanced to go;
He never said an unmeant "yes," nor yet a timid "no."
The miser's spirit never found an entrance in his heart;
And, giving for the public good, ne'er caused the slightest smart.
He freely gave and freely spent; he never felt that pelf
Should burn in pockets, sleep in vaults, or work alone for self:
Forever active, till at last, not on a sick bed found,
He leaped the river to the shore beyond it at a bound.

Then, when his young *facsimile*, with spirit all aglow,
Began to work, how well 'twas done, we all, who knew him, know.
In all good causes which he felt would benefit his kind,
We saw him always in the van; he never lagged behind.
While battling in the business world, and conquering in the fray,
He had to battle with ill health, by night as well as day,
And, while success was cheering him with its bewitching smile,
And every moment of the time was adding to his pile,
Disease was trying, day by day, to give the deadly thrust,
To quench the gallant spirit's fire, and drag him down to dust.
The Jews built up their city-walls with but one hand, you know,
And with the other were obliged to battle with the foe;
And so he nobly fought and won in business' tented field,
And fought disease, a foe that had an unseen arm to wield,
Till keen-eyed Science looked within, and, taking the alarm,
Left him, at last, to work and fight with but a single arm.
But still he struggled, and success came in at every blow,
Until he suffered martyrdom from his insidious foe.
Yet did not, down the gloomy vale of silent death, descend,
Till he had, for companionship, secured a heavenly Friend.
Who did not sigh when tidings came, Stearns Godfrey had to die?
Who was not sad who'd known him long and well as you and I?
Then Milford o'er her household looked with visions moist and dim,
And saw a score she might have lost, and missed them less than him.
And although sad that she had been of such a son bereft,
Like Jacob, she felt comforted that Benjamin was left.
Oh, may kind Heaven inspire the soul of this surviving son
To do for Milford what his sire and brother would have done!

But lo! the spirit, darting down from this same pioneer,
Has lighted up another heart within another sphere,

Inspiring e'en a Milford girl to rove o'er sea and land,
To find the fair creations wrought by art's æsthetic hand;
And she has searched in every nook with critic eye and taste,
And found the magic gems of art, and where the gems are placed.
And all the almost breathing things that e'er from marble woke,
And started into mimic life beneath the sculptor's stroke, —
All these are grouped by Milford's girl; and all the world may look,
And read each gem's biography, in her attractive book.

When Choate, all weary, on the Rhine, and wrapped in slumber fast,
Was roused to see the Stolzenfels that they were sailing past,
He waked just long enough to say, "I know just how it looks;
For I have seen the Stolzenfels so often in my books."

Now, I'm not sure but tourists may, with her bewitching tone,
See all the galleries in the world, without once leaving home.

I'll just suggest if 'twere not wise, in all such nice employs,
To pass a law that Milford's girls should not excel her boys.

Fort Sumter spoke, and Treason thought it needed little more;
The hated Union would dissolve when she should hear the roar:
But lo! the Union did not melt, but more majestic rose,
And said, to test her children's minds, she'd call the ayes and noes;
And Milford, questioned if she'd vote to let the Union go,
Rose up and made the welkin ring with her indignant No!
And then her boys, like prancing steeds that paw and champ and foam,
Felt, if they'd keep their sweet homes sweet, some must not stay at home;
And if they wished the Union safe, and not in ruins lie,
And if they would have freedom live, that some of them must die.

Sweet Duty judges for herself what she may not or may;
But Duty on the battle-field knows nothing but obey.
All earthly ties, however strong or sacred, pure or sweet,
Are only cobwebs in his path beneath the war-god's feet;
And Duty, at his heartless beck, must go and do the deed,
Whatever friendly hearts may ache, or tender bosoms bleed.

Where Hooker had, above the clouds, been pitching down the foe
From towering Lookout's sunny heights, to midnight, down below,
The swarming hosts of Boys in Gray the field had overrun,
Outnumbering all the Boys in Blue by three or four to one.

"Go sweep that field of all these foes, whate'er their numbers are,"
Said Grant, as calm as if he'd smoked his very best cigar;
"Go sweep the field;" and it was swept; for Milford's gallant son
Rushed with his troops through midnight gloom, and lo! the deed was done.

But where there rained upon the field the thickest shot and shell,
With hundreds dropping at his side, the gallant hero fell;
And felt, while there in glory's arms, beneath that midnight sky,
"Oh! 'tis Heaven's will, I feel it is, that I'm not here to die.
God bade the ball that sought my life decline a little, where
'Twould just escape my purple life the thickness of a hair;
And now, O God! accept my thanks, 'tis all I have to give:
They tell me there's a chance for me; I'll take that chance, and live."
And when they'd picked the pieces up, and re-arranged the whole,
The "golden bowl" proved large enough to hold a hero's soul.
And though, like Israel, he may halt in every march he makes,
His eulogy is being told by every step he takes.
We've read how, on that midnight field, he rushed against the foe,
And drove the swarming Boys in Gray where they'd no wish to go;
But he has kindly come to-day, where Milford's friends rejoice,
Permitting us to see his face, and listen to his voice.
Oh! where's the man with moral poise in perfect trim maintained,
Who would not lose what he has lost, to gain what he has gained?

You have your lawyers, Milford, now: when I was here you'd none.
I never saw them till to-day, except the senior one.
I recollect *him* very well, just how he seemed to me
One day, when reading sentences in his Latinity,
He read how Virgil, sick in bed, and ready to expire,
Besought his friends to get his works, and throw them in the fire.
Your lawyer heaved a long-drawn sigh, as if exceeding sad,
And said, with all his legal force, "I wish to Heaven they had!"
From such a trait of character, I think we cannot doubt
He will not get folks in a broil, but rather keep them out.

When Milford used to look out west, she saw, on yonder hill,
A rather proud but pleasant town; and it is pleasant still.
She had her stores and her hotels, and tough old limbs of law;
And 'twas the last of these assets that gave her most *éclat:*
And nervous people oftentimes would almost have a fit
For fear they'd be arrested on a warrant or a writ.
But now, forsooth, her merry boys, who would be sued, or sue,
Must come, O Milford! all the way adown the hill to you.
And as for stores, unless indeed, I, in this matter, err,
You have enough to wholesale goods a full supply to her.
But gallant Milford must not feel that 'tis alone her skill
That has thus caused her to outstrip her neighbor on the hill;
For God himself assists us oft in many ways, we know,
And doubtless Milford is so high, because she is so low.
If locomotives, with their trains upon their glittering rails,
Could run up hill as easily as o'er our plains and vales,
Then Mendon, grand old Mendon, might (the wisest cannot tell)
Have grown as fast as Milford has, and cut as wide a swell.

She has already dropped a town, and I believe 'tis true
She manufactures cloth enough for fifty towns like you.

When Milford used to look out east to see the morning sky,
That classic mountain called Bear Hill first met the gazer's eye.
'Twas called Bear Hill, because, forsooth, in every copse and lair
You might have hunted all the year, and never found a bear;
And had Elisha walked the streets, and boys and girls had said,
"Go up, bald head! Go up, bald head!" till echo answered "head,"
No lady bears, however much their cubs desired to sup,
Would, at his call, have kindly come and chewed the children up.

Excuse this little episode: 'tis only mentioned here
To show that Milford's pioneers could work without a fear,
And trained their children all so well to manage their affairs,
Without that awful, awful threat, of calling out the bears.

But still, a bard with but four years of Milford in his brains,
Can hardly hope complete success in these centennial strains;
For since those four delightful years their merry rounds have run,
She has her mightiest acts performed, her greatest victories won.
For though it cannot be supposed, or, if supposed, believed,
That her own home-born citizens have all these feats achieved;
Yet he can say the rich, rich fruits of all these after years
Are much indebted to the lives of Milford's pioneers.
For when outsiders looked to town, and saw on every side
How fast her industries sprang up, and homesteads multiplied,
And each was busy at his work, and happy as a lord
(For enterprise and industry are sure of their reward),
They cried, "Ho, ho for Milford, boys! where we can fortunes make,
And there enough is going on to keep us wide awake.
And if example can inspire to think, contrive, and dare,
That inspiration we can find in every breath of air;
And that success, where all around for grand achievements press,
Make travel easier on the road 'twixt effort and success."
And so outsiders gayly flocked, and joined the thick array,
And helped to make the Milford then the Milford of to-day.
The fresh recruits from day to day, almost from hour to hour,
Unite in helping progress on, and adding to her power.
And native-born and foreign-born you scarce can tell apart:
They're all at work to keep in tune old Milford's throbbing heart.

Her public schools, as old as she, where Milford's girls and boys
Have gained the light, and learned the skill for changeful life's employs,
Are sacred things which every sect and every party blend
To watch and guard and rally round, and foster and defend.
And palsied be the Harpy hand that should, in hatred, dare
To blot the precious treasure out, or injure it a hair.

And now, O Milford! I must close: a loftier Muse than mine
Should have portrayed, on this glad day, what glorious deeds are thine,
And drawn, in lines of magic skill, a portraiture, to show
How Celt and Saxon can unite, and peace and plenty flow;
How creeds of every hue and shade for public good unite,
And make the field on which they act a garden of delight;
And sturdy zealots, bracing back against their stubborn creeds,
Help push the car of progress on like gallant prancing steeds;
And if they sometimes seem to steer by quite a different star,
They only push at different points of that same public car.
And if some push the other way until the carriage shakes,
And all on board expect a crash, they only serve as brakes;
And if they stand upon the track, and try to wreck the train,
They need not enter into bonds that they'll not try again.

You may have struggles nowadays of which I do not know,
Just as you had when I was here some fifty years ago:
They never then did any harm, and only served to make
For us a pleasant exercise, and keep us wide awake.
When we prevailed, we almost thought Millennium had begun;
But when our rivals, then we thought poor Milford was undone.
But whiche'er party 'twas went up, and whiche'er 'twas went down,
Poor Milford never had to ask assistance from the town.
Three thousand souls were all you had to do your business then;
And all of them, or almost all, were home-born business men.
But oh, how changed in fifty years! for now, statistics say,
You're turning out three thousand soles, and more than that, per day,
Excepting Sunday, when you leave all business in the lurch,
And take a sole or two apiece to bear you on to church.
We used to say "shoemakers' shops," a name no longer theirs;
They're factories now, where shoes are made, and also millionnaires:
While thousands, all unvexed with cares, or any business news,
Stand at their several posts and see machinery make the shoes.
And out of staples, such as these, too numerous to define,
Thou hast, O grand old Milford! built a fabric such as thine.
And if thou dost not live too fast, and cut too wide a swell,
And layest every brick and stone, all down the future, well,
No earthquake in the business world, though it should come to town
And rob it of a brick or two, would make it tumble down.
But if trade's bottom should drop out, with all your debtor throng,
I'll back your paper, Milford, still, and help you get along.

'Twas at this point this muse of mine intended to have stopped;
But an addendum, somehow, has on my attention dropped.
There was a dale just o'er the hill: 'twas then unknown to fame;
And, though as old as Milford was, it had not then a name.
Some ardent spirits, all aglow with kindred sentiments,
Thought this green dale the very spot where they should pitch their tents;

There, in that quiet, green retreat they could pass pleasant lives,
Where party never kindles strife, nor mad ambition strives;
And hoping that from useful lives Utopia's yet would ape,
The very dale was wreathed in smiles, and took the name of Hope.
And Industry and Enterprise with magic skill have placed
In Hopedale's lap rich harvestings of wealth and peace and taste;
And her kind-hearted parson says, "If they are well behaved,
And live as well as Christians should, they'll every one be saved."
Your bard has ne'er been o'er the hill to that delightful spot,
And therefore cannot speak of it as one who's singing ought;
And cannot say how much the growth of Hopedale's youthful years
Was kindled at the altar-fires of Milford's pioneers.
But this he can say, for he knows, — its parson did not start
For Hopedale till he found a chance to steal a Milford heart:
One that a pioneer had lit, and taught it how to play,
And little dreamed his minister would coax the girl away.
But she has kept the parson straight, and Hopedale's strings in tune,
From that glad day when they eloped, to this glad tenth of June.

And now, O Milford! fare you well! When this shall pass away,
And a new century ushers in another festal day,
You will be here, arrayed in charms of honor and renown,
If not a seaport, without doubt a growing, prosperous town.
But all these guests who're present now will have paid nature's debts,
And cannot be with you that day, nor send you their regrets.

The chorus sang the following

HYMN OF WANDERERS RETURNING TO MILFORD.

Home of our childhood days,
Come we to sing thy praise,
We love thee well.
Though wanderers many a year,
And scattered far and near,
Thy name was ever dear,
A magic spell.

A hundred years have flown
Along the ages down
To change this spot;
Yet names we used to hear
Now fill your homes with cheer,
And hills and streams so dear
Are ne'er forgot.

Thy sons, when armed with right,
Feared not the deadly fight
For native land.
High on the roll of fame
Is written Scammell's name,
Your pride, at Yorktown slain
By Hessian hand.

When England thought with ease
To drive us from the seas,
Our coasts to storm,
From out your churchyard green
Marched four and forty men,
As brave as e'er were seen,
One Sunday morn.

And when our nation's life
Was sought in civil strife,
Uprose your sons;
With sturdy valor stood,
Led on by Underwood,
Poured out your noblest blood,
Silenced their guns.

Then gather round this board,
And shout with one accord
This hymn of praise.
Loud let the anthem ring,
While we adoring sing
Praises to God our King,
For bygone days.

TOASTS.

The following toasts were then given: —

Our Country. In 1780 a confederacy of thirteen colonies struggling for independence; to-day a nation of thirty-eight United States.

Response by all the bands, — "Hail to the Chief."

The Old Bay State. Happily born with a good constitution the same year in which the goodly town of Milford was ushered into existence.

Response by Gov. John D. Long.

Worcester County. Fortunate in having for her district-attorney one who was graduated with high rank in that once lively institution, the police-court of the town of Milford.

Response by Hon. H. B. Staples of Worcester.

The Town of Milford. Never happier than when she extends the hand of welcome to her sons.

Response by Hon. William Claflin of Newton.

The Fair Daughters of Milford. Many of them have been swept away by the strong tide of matrimony, yet a few choice spirits still remain.

Response by Hon. John C. Park of Newton.

Mother Mendon. The respectable old lady has given most of her worldly possessions to Milford and her other daughters, but the talents of her best days she has transmitted to her sons.

Response by Rev. Carlton A. Staples of Providence.

Our Clergymen. While the products of Milford have been mainly material, some of her sons have devoted themselves to the spiritual welfare of their fellow-men.

Response by Rev. Martin S. Howard of Wilbraham.

The Grand Army of the Republic. As it declines in numbers may it grow in fame, and secure a yet warmer place in the affections of a grateful people.

Response by Azael Ames, jun., Esq., of Wakefield.

The exercises at the tent were continued until a late hour, and the speeches were loudly applauded.

In the evening there was a good attendance at the reception at the town-hall. Rev. Martin S. Howard read the original poem, and vocal and instrumental music was furnished. It was intended as an informal reception of former and present residents of the town, and as such was duly appreciated.

ORIGINAL POEM.

From evils and cares and burdens each his own,
  From distant fields, from under sunset skies,
From ocean's shore where sighs his plaintive moan,
  From streams which sing their rippling melodies,
With glad obedience to her welcome calls,
  We, children of a common mother, come
To sit once more in the ancestral halls,
  And feel the joy of being here, — at home.

Far have we wandered in the silent years
  Which only live in memory's golden shrine;
And life, in retrospect, too short appears
  As we look forward to the day's decline.

But hither we our footsteps fondly turn,
With thoughts of by-gone days forever fled,
With fond affections breathe in words that burn,
As we recall the memory of the dead.

The ages roll their circling courses round,
The years rush onward in their mighty flow,
Time leaps apace with one majestic bound,
And generations vaguely come and go.
Night brings repose, and dawn its day of toil;
Each hour its burden on the shoulder lays;
Thrift drives its ploughshare through the rocky soil;
And busy workers fill the gainful days.

Scenes bright with holy memories we trace
As to these old familiar haunts we come,
And view the lineaments of the mother-face
That smiled on us when we could call them — home.
We sit beneath the long-remembered trees,
Feast as of old upon the fruit they bore;
Sing the old tunes in long-forgotten keys,
Hear voices sweet which we shall hear no more.

How oft we climbed these wooded hills, that seemed
To childhood's eyes so vast and broad and tall;
How oft skimmed o'er these grassy plains, and deemed
Them prairies, which now seem to us so small!
Nor do we yet forget the paths we trod,
Which led our youthful feet in learning's way, —
The mild reproof, the castigating rod
That wrought to guide our footsteps day by day.
We think of those who sternly sought our good
In ways that testified their earnest zeal;
Who fed us with an intellectual food
Oft mingled with what made us sorely feel.
To-day we bless the memory of those
Who sought to guide our early steps aright, —
Those gentler spirits ruling in repose,
Those austere souls who ruled by storm and might.

In times of strife, of darkness, and of blood,
Our fathers laid foundations strong and true:
The church, the school, ordained by them, have stood
To guard the old and consecrate the new.
Those were the days when freedom lifted high
Her solemn purpose to defend the right,
And hurled the despot, by a well-cast die,
From thrones of blood-stained and unlawful might;

The immortal days, which tried enduring souls,
  Stirred them with sacrifice and high resolve,
Waked on the altar freedom's burning coals,
  And out of thought grand words and acts evolve.

Not recreant to those proud ideas were they
  Who sowed these furrows, reaped these harvest-fields:
Too many heroes closed the well-fought day,
  Resting to rise no more on bloody shields.

One name sits regent mid that noble band,
  Who risked a martyr's fate for country's cause;
Who dared and suffered for his native land,
  And died for liberty and righteous laws.
Scammell, whose voice was heard in high command,
  Who led embattled hosts against the foe,
Who bowed at last before the foeman's hand,
  But, bowing, gave the best he could bestow.

Nor can we fail to trace another name,
  Written in characters of clearer light
Than any which recall the meaner fame
  Of victor on the fields of human fight.
Commission from the King of kings he bore,
  Sent on a warfare 'gainst a world of crime,
Valiant with tongue of burning flame to pour
  God's mighty truth with eloquence sublime.
Frost, — shepherd, soldier, heard his country's claim,
  And, hearing, heeded as a faithful son:
Enough to assure him of undying fame, —
  He was the trusted friend of Washington.

And when a milder tempest rent the land,
  And brothers' hand was red with brothers' blood,
Our dear old mother lifted up her hand
  In token of her zeal for liberty and God.
With Spartan fire she nerved her valiant sons:
  She bade them go in freedom's stern defence;
Her finger pointing back to martyred ones,
  And forth for strength to God's Omnipotence.

We cannot count the blood-stained list of those
  Who held not life itself too dear to die,
When home and country were defied by foes
  Who fought to save the life of slavery.
We gather round the shaft which pious hands
  Have raised in memory of the gallant dead,
And read the names, as reverence demands,
  With love and gratitude and hallowed dread.

And as the granite points toward heaven from earth,
As if to check our lowly thoughts and aims,
And fill our minds with thoughts of nobler worth
Than those which push their mean and narrow claims,
So shall these records of heroic men
Who dared to give their lives to liberty,
Shine in the lives of generations when
Their *names* in cold oblivion shall lie.

From themes which centre in the field of strife,
And scenes of pictured warfare and affray,
We turn to paths of a serener life,
And count the victories of a milder day.

What fond reflections wake within the mind,
As, climbing o'er the heights of long-past years,
We leave the present for the time behind,
And struggle with the odds of smiles and tears.
Shall we forget the sunshine and the showers
Which gleamed or lowered in our dear mother's face,
As on this landscape, in alternate hours,
There frowned or brightened clouds, or rays of peace?

Perchance no grand, heroic names are ours,
Of those whose words the world stands still to hear, —
Of those whose deeds have been their noblest dowers,
Of those whose edicts shake the world with fear.
Our life has been the gentler life of those
Who calmly meet life's duties as they come,
Moving straight on as our own river flows
To gently fall into its ocean home.
The busy stir of human life is ours,
The patient industry of daily work,
The calm and steady thought linked with the powers
That will not yield, retreat, nor give, nor shirk.
The hum of business has filled our streets,
And reared our pleasant homes, and built our blocks,
Has cut a way to what were once retreats
For lovers' walks and pasturage of flocks.

And yet how well do we remember some
Who wielded influence in the days gone by, —
Whose gifts and wisdom, in the time to come,
Will e'en be felt as generations fly.
Their names, no matter now, they sleep in dust;
The very houses where they dwelt are gone;
And yet invisible they live, and must
While ages roll their stately marches on.

One well deserves the tribute of our song,
Who, with an honest will and purpose, wrought
For fifty years to stem the tide of wrong,
Loyal to truth and God in deed and thought.
With sincere heart he sowed the goodly seed
Which here shall spring in the long days to come,
In spite of error and in spite of greed,
Into glad welcomes of the harvest home.
The simple name upon the plain white stone
In yonder burial-place alone survives
Of him, who half a century gave tone
And character and fame to many lives.
And yet how grandly woven is the web
Of human life in such a life as his!
No great commotion, — scarcely flow or ebb, —
A still, calm life of holy influences.
Sleep, honored pastor, in thy quiet grave!
Thy memory dwells in many human souls;
Thy words of wisdom are the leaven to save,
Thy name shall live while time its waters rolls.

Nor would we here forget another's name,
That links itself with pleasant memories;
That wedded stands to all exalted aim,
And lives in that good-will which never dies.

The friend of all his fellow-men is he
Whose voice to-day has fallen on our ear
As some old song whose long-lost melody
Comes back to wake the smile, or start the tear.
It is not true that such as he grow old:
They live in freshness of perpetual spring;
With them the warmth of summer ne'er grows cold,
And winter snows new graces to them bring.
Live, Nestor of our dear old mother town!
Pursue thy work of faithful service here,
And children yet thy honest work shall crown
With benedictions many a coming year.

The shadows lengthen; years and centuries go;
The fathers do their work, and then retire;
The streams of life with even movement flow,
And duties fall to son from aged sire.
The past alone to us is safe and sure:
What shall the future bring is yet unsolved;
Its promises of good indeed allure,
And yet how thickly are its lines involved!

The faithfulness of those who sweetly sleep
Beneath the turmoil of the surging world,
We fain would emulate, and fondly keep
Bright on the folds of our fair flag unfurled.
To-day the future lies before us bright;
The history of a hundred years is ours;
This day shall stand in memory without night,
Crowned with a garland of perennial flowers.
The morrow of an opening century
Calls for heroic sacrifice and will;
What harvest in the future shall there be
Hereafter gathered from this precious soil?
What reliant workers here shall turn the sod?
What hands shall bravely fling the broadcast grain?
What joyful reapers bind the sheaves for God,
And fill the garners with the glad refrain?
Enough that we our duty bravely do,
Stand for the right with an undaunted nerve;
Lift high our standard for the good and true,
Nor dare from strict integrity to swerve.
No richer legacy can we convey
To generations that shall call us sires,
Than worth and virtue, which outlast decay,
And purer grow within time's furnace-fires.

Nor will we cast a shadow on the day
That rings its joyous peals from sun to sun,
Because another century's closing ray
Will find us sleeping with the fathers gone.
Nay, rather, having wrought with honest zeal,
With tireless courage run the race of life,
With grand, heroic purpose sought the weal
Of those to follow in the world's hard strife,
We will not count it loss or pain to die,
To lay our armor or our weapons down,
Since ours will be the well-won victory,
The recompense, the palm, the song, the crown.

Welcome the future, with its service, then,
With all the burdens of the coming years;
Welcome its sacrifice for fellow-men
And God, though mixed with bitter tears.
We hail the grandeur of the time to come,
Its mighty conflicts, its heroic deeds;
Nor fear to pledge that this, our ancient home,
Shall e'er prove faithful to the world's great needs.

Home of our childhood! Mother of us all!
From this day's festival we pass anew,
Obedient to the voice of Duty's call,
Our simple tasks and labors to pursue.
We will be loyal to thine honored name;
Thy voice shall ever hold our waiting ear;
No act of ours shall flush thy cheeks with shame,
No word breathe aught but reverence sincere.

Another century's close we shall not see:
Another lineage shall take our place;
Another hand shall write our history,
And all the annals of the century trace.
But truth shall live in ever youthful bloom;
God will survive when time shall cease to flow;
Humanity shall last beyond the tomb,
And live perennial as the ages go.
Be ours to live with purpose grand and true, —
God for our leader, righteousness our aim;
To stand undaunted, though our friends be few,
Trusting the future for undying fame.

THE FIREWORKS.

The display of fireworks at the park, under the direction of P. M. Hunt of Milford, were the most extensive ever exhibited in town, and in the following order: —

Twenty-feet fire balloons, rockets, colored rockets, shells, mine-batteries, mine-shells; piece, — pyric fires, colored rockets, green fire, shells; piece, — Gothic cross, parachute rocket, shells, pigeon-horse, and flying pigeon, flight rockets (fifty at one time), mine-shells; piece, — wheel and star, parachute rocket, shells; piece, — double diamond, colored rockets, line of batteries, hexagon wheel with spindles, parachute rockets, shells; piece, — "Boss" Tweed's diamond, parachute rocket, mine-shells; afterpiece, — "1780, Milford, 1880." The display began at eight o'clock, and lasted an hour and a half.

A great crowd witnessed the display, which passed off in a highly satisfactory manner under the efficient supervision of Mr. Pearley M. Hunt.

In the evening many private dwellings were illuminated with Chinese lanterns, etc.; but private displays of fireworks were not numerous.

The premises of C. W. Wilcox and J. E. Walker were handsomely illuminated with large numbers of Chinese lanterns.

LETTERS FROM PROMINENT GENTLEMEN.

The committee have received the following letters from distinguished gentlemen unable to be present: —

GROTON, May 12, 1880.

MY DEAR SIR, — While it may not be in my power to accept your kind invitation to attend the centennial celebration by the town of Milford the 10th of next month, I anticipate that Mrs. Boutwell and our son and daughter will avail themselves of the opportunity which your courtesy opens to them. Mrs. Boutwell's father was a native of Milford, and some of her relatives are residents of the town and vicinity.

Very truly,

GEORGE S. BOUTWELL.

WORCESTER, May 19, 1880.

GENTLEMEN, — I expect to be absent from the State, with my family, at the date of the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the town of Milford, or I would gladly accept the invitation of your committee. With thanks for your courtesy,

I am, respectfully,

A. B. R. SPRAGUE.

BOSTON, June 1, 1880.

A. J. SUMNER, Esq.

MY DEAR SIR, — I am very grateful to yourself and the committee of the town of Milford, for an invitation to the celebration of its one-hundredth anniversary. I regret that a conflicting engagement, made before receiving your invitation, will prevent my attending; but I send my best wishes for a happy celebration by all who may be present.

Yours very truly,

ALEXANDER H. RICE.

BILLERICA, June 8, 1880.

Mr. A. J. SUMNER.

DEAR SIR, — I received in due time your invitation to be present at the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the town of Milford. Absence from the State will prevent my joining in the festivities of the occasion. This I regret; as I feel great interest in such anniversaries, especially so in regard to Milford, as I should meet old friends, citizens of your town, whose friendship I have valued for many years. I hope the occasion will be as interesting as the best friends of your town can wish.

Yours truly,

THOMAS TALBOT.

BOSTON, Wednesday, June 9, 1880.

To Hon. AARON C. MAYHEW, *Milford.*

MY DEAR SIR, — I am in the midst of a trial in the Superior Court, and am profoundly disappointed that I cannot keep my promise to be present at

your centennial celebration to-morrow. I had anticipated, with the greatest pleasure, the opportunity of meeting my old friends in Milford, and of speaking to your people of the Milford men of forty years ago, when I was the preceptor of the academy, — of Parson Long, of Stearns Godfrey, of his father Wm. Godfrey, of Aaron Claflin, of Gen. Underwood senior, of Ziba Thayer, of Adam Hunt, of John Erskine, of Drs. Fiske and Fay, of the Walkers, of the Nelsons, of the Parkhursts, of the Chapins, of Capt. Perry, and many others who were good friends of mine, and whose children and grandchildren were my pupils. I am proud to remember that your centennial orator, Gen. Adin B. Underwood, was my pupil in the academy, a student in my law-office at Framingham, and my law-partner in Boston in 1861. He left the office as Capt. Underwood of the second regiment of Mass. Volunteers; and he returned at the close of the war a brigadier-general, and with a record untarnished, and of which your people to-day are justly proud. He is a type of the Milford boys, as I remember them. All honor to old Milford, her sons and daughters.

With sincere regret that I cannot be present on so interesting an occasion, I am, with the highest regard,

Yours very truly,

CHARLES R. TRAIN.

WORCESTER, June 3, 1880.

MY DEAR SIR, — I am under great obligations to you and the members of your committee, for the kind invitation you have given me to be one of your guests on the 10th inst. I have delayed until now answering your letter in the fond hope of being able to accept your invitation, but I now find that it will be out of my power to be present. I deeply regret this. The hundredth anniversary of so important a town as Milford is an occasion of deepest interest to every citizen of this ancient county of Worcester. The people of your town have indeed much to awaken their pride and satisfaction in its present large population, in its vigorous prosperity, and in its prospects for the future. But your past history should excite not less pride than your present condition. No town can point to a more patriotic, public-spirited, and every way honorable record, than Milford. In all past popular emergencies your people have been faithful and forceful, without ostentation and without boasting. No town in Massachusetts presents a more honorable or a more successful history. I count it a great pleasure and honor to be familiar with many of your citizens, and I sincerely regret that I cannot sit with them in observing the coming centennial.

With great regard and respect,

I remain, yours very truly,

ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK.

A. J. SUMNER, Esq., for Committee.

CENTENNIAL NOTES AND INCIDENTS.

Three hundred and forty-five invitations were issued.

Many photographic views of the decorations have been taken.

So far as learned, only a single accident occurred, and that one did not result seriously.

Salutes were fired at noon and sunset. At the latter time bells were rung throughout the town.

The tent was two hundred and sixty by eighty feet, and contained twenty-eight tables, seating twenty-one hundred and twelve, and was finely decorated.

The big tent was visited by crowds of people all day Wednesday, and well into the evening.

The Continental Band of Franklin made a decided hit, their playing and general appearance being greatly admired.

Strangers commented freely on the general tidiness of Milford's streets, and the general air of neatness about the town.

Crowds of strangers swarmed Main Street until a late hour Wednesday evening, taking a look at the decorations; and tradesmen did a rushing business.

Unusual good order prevailed, the large force of policemen being sufficiently efficient to indefinitely postpone all incipient disturbances as soon as manifested. Twelve arrests were made.

Post 22, G. A. R., carried in the procession, in addition to their own colors, the flag that the men enlisted under in Milford in 1861, and a set of colors that were carried in the late war by the old Sixth.

Among the prominent gentlemen present may be mentioned Gov. Long, Secretary of State Peirce, Hon. T. W. Higginson, State Auditor Ladd, Hon. William Claflin, and H. B. Claflin of Brooklyn.

Fifty years ago Mr. Thurber, whose excellent poem will receive, as it merits, universal appreciation, was Milford's academy teacher. His old pupils are unanimous in their verdict, that at twenty years of age he taught school as well as he writes centennial poetry at seventy.

Mr. Charles P. Nelson exhibited an old and interesting relic in the shape of the ancient sign which once hung on "J. Nelson's Inn," the first tavern in Milford. The ell of this old building is now a part of the house on Main Street opposite Mann's boot-factory. The sign was taken down in 1798, is about two and one-half by two feet in size, bears the picture of a horse, and is throughout in an excellent state of preservation. It is now the property of Mr. H. E. Rockwood, who loaned it to Mr. Nelson for centennial purposes. Washington dined at the Nelson Inn in 1786.

W. H. Cook

The Quidnunc rooms in Bank Block furnished a welcome haven to many a knight of the quill, one and all of whom carried away lively recollections of the hospitality and courteous treatment accorded their guests by the lively, generous Quidnuncs. The rooms were very handsomely decorated by Col. Beals.

We are not ashamed of our centennial edition. We have bestowed upon it great labor and pains, though much of the work of compiling the subject-matter has necessarily been done in a somewhat hurried manner, and subject somewhat to hinderances and annoyances. Any errors or omissions which may be noticed in the report are certainly unintentional. The field is a broad one to cover in so short a time.

Thus I have copied from "The Milford Journal" the major portion of its two admirable reports. If I have extracted too largely, or, on the other hand, omitted what ought to have been inserted, my readers must excuse the fallibility of a well-intending judgment.

HISTORY OF MILFORD,

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ABBEE, WILLIAM, was m. Nov. 27, 1791, to *Anna*, dr. of Jesse Whitney, by Rev. Amariah Frost, both said to be of Mil. He was b. in Hop. about 1768, and was prob. a son of Aaron and Anna Abbee.

ABBEE, POLLY, *alias* MARY, was m. to Ebenezer Hunt, May 21, 1801, by Samuel Jones, Esq., both said to be of Mil. She was b., I understand, in No. Purchase, and was a dr. of John and Anna (Battle) Abbee. Her fr. was a brother of William, or a near relative. Mrs. Polly was b. March 22, 1785, and d. in Worcester, Jan. 9, 1871.

ABBEE, CHARLES, an apprentice or journeyman of Benj. Gibbs in the cabinet-making business between 1815 and 1821. His name appears in the tax-list for 1821; also again in 1833 and 1834. Whose son he was I have not ascertained, nor what became of him. I presume these three Abbees were descendants of Aaron and Anna of Hop. Besides them, I recollect no others of the name on our records.

ABBOTT, Rev. LEVI A., pastor of the Baptist ch. here from Aug. 29, 1855, till the end of April, 1858, and who served acceptably on the town's school committee a considerable part of that time. I remember him as a Christian gentleman of modest deportment and genial manners, but am unable to give his pedigree, personal antecedents, or subsequent career.

ABBOTT, CHARLES H., is put down in our Directory of 1869 as an engineer, who boarded at the Quinshepang House. I know nothing else of him. Abbott is a rare name on our records.

ADAMS, JOSIAH, was of Mendon; but joined in the movement for a new ch. and precinct with the Mill-River people, and became their first ruling elder. After seeing the ch. and precinct here well established, he removed his relation back to the First Ch. I am told that he lived and d. on the Otis Thayer place, recently owned by Mr. Cromb. He was first of Braintree, and his lineage runs thus:—

ADAMS, JOSIAH[4] (Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Henry[1]), b. Feb. 8, 1696; m. *Bethiah*, dr. of Samuel and Hannah Thompson, she having been b. March 20, 1693; cer. Nov. 20, 1718. They were dis. from Braintree to Mendon ch. June 6, 1735. He joined the new Sec. Ch. here 1741, and returned to the First Ch. about ten years later. Their chn.:—

JOSIAH, b. Sept. 30, 1722; d. Jan. 20, 1723.

JOSIAH 2d, b. Sept. 6, 1727.

JOSEPH, b. July 24, 1729; d. July 30, 1729.

Edward, b. May 4, 1731.

John is put down as under "their inspection," and bap. by Mr. Frost, Dec. 15, 1745.

Joel, a son, bap. by Mr. Frost, May 14, 1749.

Eld. Josiah d. July 30, 1802, leaving an honored memory. Date of Mrs. Bethiah's dth. not ascertained.

I do not recollect the name of any other Adams who figured in the days of the Easterly Precinct on our territory; though it is not improbable that some transient ones came and went. Nor after the incorporation of the town did they multiply very rapidly. I will notice most of these in their order of time.

ADAMS, Abner, of Northbridge, was m. to *Ruth Wood*, dr. of Obadiah and Experience (Hayward) Wood; cer. Jan. 16, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. They had at least 1 dr. b. in Mil.: —

Rebecca, *alias* Becca, *alias* Beckey, b. Feb. 1, 1783; m. Amasa Leland about 1803.

I think they set. in Northbridge, and had other chn. there. Mrs. Ruth d. comparatively young.

ADAMS, Dea. Enoch, came into town in 1796; set. on the Dea. Read place (since Ira Cleveland place), and was taxed for real est. till 1801. No further traced.

ADAMS, Daniel, wf. *Elizabeth*; chn., *Polly*, *Samuel*, *Sally*, *John*, *Elijah*, and *Nancy*, were among those warned out of town in 1791. They also stand credited with a pair of twins; viz., *Abigail Smith* and *Alanson*, b. May 2, 1802. The fr. seems to have been taxed down to 1812, and thenceforth no further traced.

ADAMS, Wid. Grace, and her son *William*, were helped by the town for many years, dating from 1795, and perhaps still earlier. She d. Dec. 11. 1813, a. 101 yrs. William d. Nov. 10, 1829, a. 83 yrs. His wf.'s name not given; d. Oct. 4, 1827, a. 76 yrs. I am wholly unable to trace this family.

ADAMS, Christopher, was here and taxed from 1805 to 1808. No further traced.

ADAMS, Barzillai, was taxed here in 1813. A few others of the name were transient inhabitants here previous to this period. Among them were —

ADAMS, Oliver, and wf. *Betsey*, who are credited with two chn.: —

Lorania, b. June 21, 1799, and *Oliver, jun.*, b. March 16, 1801. Untraced.

ADAMS, Hezekiah[6] (John,[5] Eleazer,[4] Edward,[3] Henry,[2] Henry[1]), came hither from Medway between 1817 and 1822; wf., *Rhoda* (*Mann*) *Adams*. Their chn.: —

Seignora, b. Med. 1796; m. Maynard Bragg, April 7, 1819.

Julia Ann, b. Med. 1798; m. Samuel C. Oliver, Waltham, Feb. 21, 1821.

Landen, b. Med. 1801; unm.; res. a while in Mil., then various places.

Hiram, b. Med. 1803; m., set., lived, and d. Buffalo, N.Y.

Rhoda M., b. Med. 1805; m. Otis Sumner, Mil., Nov. 27, 1831.

Laura Ann, b. Med. 1808; m. Hiram Hunt, Mil., Oct., 1829.

Sylvanus, b. Med. 1810; an enterprising man; res. in various places; cannot state further.

Clark, b. Med.; birth-date not found; went far west or so.-west.

I think all these sons and drs. have passed on, excepting, perhaps, Clark. The whole family had good capabilities by nature, and most of them succeeded well in life, notwithstanding many adversities. The father was much broken

down when he came into town. He d. Aug. 28, 1841, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Rhoda, his wid., survived many trials, and d. June 3, 1849, a. nearly 74 yrs.

ADAMS, Moses, son of Jonathan, was b. Aug. 26, 1795; m. Sally or Sarah Stearns, dr. of David Stearns, Jan. 24, 1820; cer. by Rev. D. Long. He d. Feb. 14, 1834. I intended giving his full family record, but received a positive protest and request from Mrs. Sarah, his surviving wid., not to do so. Begging her pardon for trespassing thus far on her wishes, I refrain from further details, only regretting not being permitted to follow my own inclinations.

ADAMS, Moses,[5] of "Wild-Cat" neighborhood, so called (Elisha,[4] William,[3] Edward,[2] Henry[1]), b. in Hop., April 26, 1786; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Watkins; m. *Abigail Morse* of Holl., b. July 14, 1792; cer. 1811. Their chn.: —

Elisha, b. June 19, 1813; d. unm. Sept. 28, 1846.
Sarah, b. Dec. 24, 1814; d. Sept. 21, 1817.
Almira, b. July 25, 1816; unm.; res. School St., Mil.
Newell, b. April 6, 1818; d. unm. Nov. 3, 1878.
Susannah, b. May 10, 1820; m. George Adams, Holl.
Albert, b. Sept. 25, 1821; m. Maria C. Fay.
Luther, b. Sept. 1, 1823; m. Mary Barron of Wrentham.
Sarah Elizabeth, b. Sept. 25, 1836; m. William S. Green, July 7, 1856.

Moses Adams and family dwelt on what was once known as the Samuel Bowker place. It was on the Hop. side of the line till the boundary was altered in perhaps 1836 or 1837, when it was set over to Mil. So, I suppose, all the chn. were b. nominally in Hop.; but, being transferred to Mil., it is proper that I should include them among our population. The place is now owned by John Hicks. Joanna (Adams) Stearns, 2d wf. of David Stearns, was a sister of Elisha Adams, the father of Moses; and Mrs. Sarah (Adams) Claflin, mother of Ex-Gov. Wm., was his sister, a dr. of Elisha.

Of *grandchildren* living these are the following: —

Chn. of Geo. and Susannah Adams, 3.
Chd. of Albert and Maria C. (Fay) Adams, 1.
Chn. of Luther and Mary (Barron) Adams, 2.
Chn. of Wm. S. and Sarah E. (Adams) Green, 2. In all, 8.

Mrs Sarah E. (Adams) Green, wid. of Wm. S. Green, res. on School St., near Pearl, which has been her home for many yrs. There, with her, Newell her bro., d. in 1878; and there dwells her sister Almira. For her own family record, see the name Green.

Mrs. Abigail (Morse) Adams d. March 20, 1850. Mr. Moses d. Aug. 19, 1870.

ADAMS, Obadiah[7] (Obadiah,[6] Nathan,[5] Obadiah,[4] John,[3] Edward,[2] Henry[1]), b. Med., Oct. 10, 1789; mr.'s maiden name, Abigail Harding; m. *Mary Johnson*, dr. of William and Susan (Graves) Johnson, b. Worcester, May 10, 1791; cer. prob. 1811. Their chn.: —

Roxana, b. Med., Aug., 1812; d. a. 5 mos.
Abbie Harding, b. Med., June 22, 1814; d. unm., Mil., May 12, 1881.
Sarah Cutler, b. Med., Oct. 25, 1815; m. Henry Morgan, April 7, 1841; res. Holl.
Susan Johnson, b. Med., May 31, 1817; m. William S. Mitchell; both d. She d. March 27, 1856.
Roxana Nichols, b. Med., June 30, 1820; m. Charles Williams, June 30, 1842.

William Parismas, b. Med., May 23, 1828; m. Catherine C. Pleasant, Sept., 1852.

The hus. and fr. d. in Mil., April 25, 1857. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. here Jan. 13, 1871, both in the home and under the fostering care of their dutiful maiden dr. Abbie Harding Adams, 29 School St.

ADAMS, William Parismas[8] (Obadiah,[7] Obadiah,[6] Nathan,[5] Obadiah,[4] John,[3] Edward,[2] Henry[1]), b, Med., May 23, 1828, as above; m. *Catherine C. Pleasant*, dr. of —— Pleasant, b. Washington, D.C., April 2, 1836; cer. in Springfield, Mass., Sept., 1852, by ——. Issue: —

Eugene Thornton, b. Mil., July 30, 1853; m. Almira Sweetland Eastman, Aug. 5, 1875.

Caroline Willard, b. Mil., June 7, 1855.

Charles Williams, b. Mil., June 6, 1857.

Mary Lizzie, b. Mil., Oct. 24, 1858; d. Dec. 28, 1859.

This worthy family has one grandchild in its household, a dr. of Eugene T. and Almira S. (Eastman) Adams; viz., *Blanche Kate*, b. Mil., Oct. 12, 1877.

William P. Adams d. at Harrison's Landing, Va., in the service of his country, July 18, 1862. His wid. and three of his chn. survive, and res. 29 School St.

ADAMS, Sylvanus, came into town from Northbridge about the yr. 1846 or 1847, and set. on the Zuriel Howard place, which he had just purchased. There he remained for the rest of his lifetime. At first I hoped to trace the descent of Sylvanus and his bro. Abner lineally back to Henry, their immigrant ancestor; but I was baffled on one or two links, and concluded to stop with their gd. fr., John of Northbridge. I have already stated that their fr., Abner, came into Mil. in 1782, and m. Ruth Wood, dr. of Obadiah, and that they had at least one dr. b. here. I have since been told that they had two more chn. b. in Northbridge. Be this as it may, Mrs. Ruth d. a comparatively young mother, and her hus. m., 2d, Lucy Holbrook, dr. of Sylvanus of Ux.; further particulars not ascertained. Of this wife were b. Sylvanus, etc. So I recommence: —

ADAMS, Sylvanus[3] (Abner,[2] John[1]), b. Northbridge, Oct. 17, 1796; m. *Chloe Hunt Albee*, dr. of Abel and Annah (Wood) Albee, b. in Mil., Sept. 25, 1801; cer. in Mil., May 13, 1819, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Zebadiah Albee, b. Northbridge, March 31, 1824; m., 1st, Vesta Batcheller, 1846; 2d, E. Remington, 1872.

Harriet Thayer, b. Northbridge, Nov. 17, 1826; d. July 28, 1873.

John Quincy, b. Northbridge, Sept. 20, 1829; unm.; res. Boston; engaged in pat. machinery.

Gilbert Franklin, b. Northbridge, April 27, 1832; d. Feb. 13, 1841.

Abner Holbrook, b. Northbridge, Dec. 8, 1834; m. Bettie Gamage Morse, Nov. 25, 1869.

George Willard, b. Northbridge, July 5, 1837; m., 1st, Harrietta S. Hoskins, 1868; 2d, Elizabeth Conant, 1874.

Edward Holman, b. Northbridge, April 2, 1840; d. Feb. 8, 1841.

Judson Laroy, b. Northbridge, Sept. 30, 1842; d. Dec. 9, 1843.

The fr. and mr. were worthy members of the Cong. ch., and of very reputable standing in the community. Mrs. A. d. Dec. 7, 1871, and her hus. soon followed her; he d. Feb. 6, 1872. Only one grandchild, *Chloe Helen Adams*, dr. of Zebadiah and Vesta (Batcheller) Adams, b. Oct., 1849. Zebadiah A. Adams now res. in Douglas; John Quincy res. in Boston, as aforesaid; George W. res.

in Florida, successfully cultivating an orange plantation. See Abner H., further on.

ADAMS, ABNER[3] (Abner,[2] John,[1]), b. Feb. 11, 1806; m. *Elizabeth Thayer Claflin*, dr. of Martin and Hopestill (Hayward) Claflin, b. Oct. 13, 1811; cer. April 1, 1830, by Rev. Mr. Storrs. Chn.:—

SAMUEL WILBER, b. Gt. Barrington, Nov. 14, 1831; res. various, now in Boston.

JAMES MONROE, b. Gt. Barrington, Feb. 7, 1832; res. various, now Brooklyn, N.Y.

MARY LUCY, b. W. Stockbridge, Dec. 15, 1833; m. John Stimpson, Dec. 20, 1854.

ELIZABETH JANE, b. W. Stockbridge, Dec. 14, 1835; m. Alanson Town, Springfield, 1872.

WARREN LELAND, b. Mil., July 17, 1837; d. Feb. 26, 1865.

ADALINE CLAFLIN, b. Holl., July 17, 1839; m. Edwin E. Marsh, Nov. 21, 1861.

SULLIVAN BENSON, b. Mil., Jan. 1, 1842; d. Aug. 22, 1846.

The parents came to Hopedale in 1844, were members of the Community for several years, and have ever since res. in the village, deservedly enjoying the general respect. None of their chn. now remain here; but all who survive are pursuing the fortunes and the business of life in various sections of the country.

Samuel Wilber Adams, their eldest son, a machinist, m., 1st, Charlotte A. Holbrook of Sturbridge, dr. of Dea. Elias and Charlotte his wf., in Nov., 1852. Their chn. were *Charles Wilber*, b. Hopedale, April 20, 1853; *Edward Southgate*, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 14, 1856 (this son res. Hopedale; see farther on); *George Sullivan*, b. Chicopee, Oct. 17, 1859. Charlotte A., the mr., d. May 10, 1864; and the hus. m., 2d, Mary Wilber of Providence, R.I., Dec., 1867, to whom has been b. *Bertha*, in Prov., R.I., July 17, 1871. Their res. is now Boston.

James Monroe Adams m. Mattie Blanchard of Uxbridge (parentage not given), Nov., 1863; to whom have been b. *Nettie Blanchard*, in Hartford, Ct., May 10, 1868; *Freddie Howard*, in the same place, March 20, 1870. No more reported. The parents are now said to reside in New-York City, or Brooklyn, adjacent. *Freddie* has since d.

Mary Lucy and *Elizabeth Jane* m. as above stated; no chn. reported. *Mary* res. in Providence, R.I., and *Elizabeth* in Springfield. The writer solemnized Mary's mge.

Warren Leland Adams m. *Sarah Simms* of Chicopee, May 1, 1859; to whom were b. in Chicopee, *Adaline Louisa*, May 10, 1860, and *Willie Jillson*, June 15, 1864.

Warren L. went a soldier to the civil war, where he contracted a disease which culminated in his death, as before stated, Feb. 26, 1865.

Adaline Claflin m. Edwin E. Marsh, Nov. 21, 1861; cer. by the writer. Their chn. are *Warren Leland*, b. Hartford, Ct., Dec. 6, 1863; *Mary*, b. Providence, R.I., Dec. 15, 1866; *Estelle Addie*, b. Hartford, Ct., Dec. 5, 1868; *Harry*, b. Hartford, Ct., Feb. 3, 1874; and *Clarence Edwin*, b. Hartford, Ct., July 17, 1876. No more reported.

Edward Southgate Adams, 2d son of *Sam'l Wilber Adams*, res. in Hopedale; b., as aforesaid, in Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 14, 1856; m. Sarah Eldredge, dr. of George W. and Sarah (Payson) Eldredge, River Point, R.I., b. Sept. 4, 1858; cer. March 20, 1877, at Centreville, R.I., by Rev. Jonathan Brayton, D.D. Their chn.:—

Nellie Holbrook, b. Mil., Jan. 10, 1878; d. River Point, R.I., April 3, 1879.
Lewis Edward, b. Mil., Dec. 5, 1879.

An orderly, quiet, industrious, young family.

ADAMS, Abner Holbrook[4] (Sylvanus,[3] Abner,[2] John[1]), b. Northbridge, Dec. 8, 1834; mr.'s maiden name, Chloe Hunt Albee; m. *Bettie Gamage Morse*, dr. of William H. and Hannah P. (Gamage) Morse, b. Hop., March 16, 1836; cer. Hop., Nov. 25, 1869, by Rev. Mr. Worthington. No chn. yet reported.

Mr. A. is an enterprising business-man, and a respectable citizen. He dealt successfully in sewing-machines, etc., for several years, and has recently opened a flourishing grocery establishment on Exchange St., in copartnership with one of his wife's brothers, under the firm name of "Adams & Morse." I think, too, he is now the possessor of the ancient homestead left by his father, or at least a considerable portion of it, which has come down, through a long line of proprietors, from Capt. Seth Chapin's day, 170 yrs. or more.

ADAMS, Arba, and wf. *Rachel* are credited on our birth records with —

William A., b. July 13, 1829.
Sabin C., b. June 4, 1832.
Theresa C., b. June 14, 1833.
Mary E., b. May 8, 1835.
Melissa E., b. April 15, 1838.

I have inquired anxiously after the history of this family, but have found no one who seemed to know any thing about them. I have, therefore, entered the above as found on the town-records, and can say no more.

ADAMS, Fisher[8] (Levi,[7] Silas,[6] Obadiah,[5] Obadiah,[4] John,[3] Edward,[2] Henry[1]), b. Union, Ct., April 5, 1802; mr.'s maiden name, Olive Gould; m. *Sally Alexander*, dr. of Ezekiel and Thirza (Wheelock) Alexander, b. Upton, March 1, 1807; cer. Upton, May 24, 1829, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Issue: —

Forester Clark, b. Mil., Feb. 16, 1830; d. Sept. 28, 1830.
Fisher Wales, b. Mil., April 5, 1831; m. Celia R. Inman, Oct. 11, 1860.
James Edmond, b. Mil., May 28, 1836; m. Isabella Stimpson, Nov. 15, 1869.
Olivia Ann, b. Mil., July 7, 1841; m. John Usher, Nov. 11, 1863. She d. Nov. 2, 1879.
Silas Lowell, } twins, b. Mil., May 30, 1843; d. Sept. 28, 1845.
Sarah Louis, } twins, b. Mil., May 30, 1843; m. Joseph Hunt of Douglas, Sept. 16, 1869.

Grandchn.: —

The chn. of Fisher W. and Celia R. (Inman) Adams were, —

Mary Etta, b. Mil., March 29, 1861; *George Elmer Wales*, b. Blackstone June 9, 1863.

The chn. of John Usher and Olivia Ann (Adams) Usher were, —

Frank Adams Usher, b. Mil., Feb. 28, 1865; *Agnes Sarah Usher*, b. Mil., Dec. 5, 1868.

The chn. of James Edmond and Isabella (Stimpson) Adams were, —

Alma A., b. Mil., March 6, 1870; *Adella L.*, b. Mil., March 11, 1871; d. Jan. 18, 1872; *Elmer W.*, b. Sept. 5, 1876.

A child of Joseph and Sarah Louis (Adams) Hunt is, —

Grace Louise, b. E. Douglas, Nov. 14, 1870.

Mr. Fisher Adams was an industrious carpenter and farmer. He dwelt with his family in our "City District," so called. He was a zealous religionist of the Second Advent persuasion; a kind neighbor, orderly citizen, and well-

disposed man. He experienced his share of mortal troubles, became mentally clouded for a time, and d. Nov. 27, 1864. The partner of his faith, joys, and sorrows, Mrs. Sally, soon followed him. She d. Jan. 3, 1865.

ADAMS, Oliver Mann, son of Jeremiah and Lucy (Wakefield) Adams; ancestry not traced; b. in Concord, Vt., Dec. 27, 1821; m. *Levina Walker*, dr. of Samuel and Lucina (Sweetland) Walker, b. Willington, Ct., June 12, 1826; cer. Worcester, Sept. 15, 1847, by Rev. Mr. Dunbar. Issue: —

Anna Levina, b. Worcester, May 27, 1849; m. ——, Nov. 25, 1879.

Mr. A. is a respectable "fruit, confectionery, and news dealer, 110 Main St.; house, Highland Square, near Congress." Family in good social standing. They have res. in town over 24 yrs.

ADAMS, Benjamin, agent of Adams Express Co., 97 Main St.; ancestry not ascertained; son of Benjamin and Ann Belcher (Leonard) Adams; b. Boston, Oct. 20, 1830; m., 1st, *Ann Stone Walker*, dr. of Albert and Olive C. (MacFarland) Walker, b. Upton, April 12, 1833; cer. Upton, 1850 by Rev. Mr. Johnson. Issue: —

Sarah Ann, b. Upton, Dec. 20, 1850; m. Frederick Warren Hawes, Mil., Nov. 29, 1871. Mrs. Ann d. July 24, 1869. The hus. m., 2d, *Eliza Johnson Shepard*, wid. of George H. Shepard, and dr. of Mace and Betsey (Farrington) Gay, b. Stoughton, March 12, 1845; cer. Mil., April 1, 1872, by Rev. George W. Stacy. No chn. reported.

One *grand-dr.*: Susan May Hawes, b. Mil., May 22, 1873.

A responsible expert in his business, with a reputable family. He came to res. in Mil., July 1, 1863.

No family records recd. from others of this name; but the following are derived from our directories and sundry sources: —

ADAMS, William N., wf. *Mary*, had *George William*, b. Oct. 23, 1837.
ADAMS, James, wf. *Louisa*, had *Louisa*, b. Nov. 7, 1839, perhaps others.
ADAMS, Asa F., watchman. Directory, 1856.
ADAMS, Flemming, teamster. Directory, 1856.
ADAMS, George W., finisher. Directory, 1856.
ADAMS, Mrs. Julia A., wid. of Horace. Directory, 1856, '69 to '80.
ADAMS, Nathan, bootmaker. Directory, 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Peter, laborer. Directory, 1856.
ADAMS, Annie P., wid.; house, 10 Summer St. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Charles O., bootmaker. Directory, 1869, '72, '75.
ADAMS, Daniel P., bootmaker. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Eleanor, house, Spring, near Main. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, George A., watchman. Directory, 1869.
ADAMS, George S., bootmaker. Directory, 1869.
ADAMS, Hiram R., nailmaker. Directory, 1869, '72.
ADAMS, James E., carpenter. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Loren, bootmaker. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Miss Olive, milliner. Directory, 1869.
ADAMS, Mrs. Ruth, dressmaker. Directory, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
ADAMS, Charles A., photographer. Directory, 1872, '75; now res. Ux.
ADAMS, Charles W., sole-cutter. Directory, 1872.
ADAMS, Edwin, boards 7 Fayette St. Directory, 1872, '75.
ADAMS, G. A., actor. Directory, 1872.
ADAMS, Jeremiah, house 88 Main St. Directory, 1872.

ADAMS, John W., shoemaker. Directory, 1872, '75, '78.
ADAMS, Oren, bootmaker. Directory, 1872.
ADAMS, William P., fruit and confectionery. Directory, 1872.
ADAMS, Hattie E., milliner. Directory, 1875.
ADAMS, Edmond H., clerk. Directory, 1878, '80.
ADAMS, George F., machinist. Directory, 1878.
ADAMS, Walter O., carriage-painter. Directory, 1878.
ADAMS, Asa W., house Winter, near Granite. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, Calvin C., Church Place. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, Charles A., foreman edge-finishing. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, Miss Carrie W., clerk 112 Main St. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, Miss Effie, 102 Main St. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, John H., boot-crimper. Directory, 1880.
ADAMS, Nathan I., teamster. Directory, 1880.

If all these Adamses had honored my repeated calls for family records, this volume would have been much enlarged.

ALBEE. This name is variously spelled *Alber*, *Alby*, *Albie*, and *Albee*. The latter orthography has long prevailed. The Albees were among the early settlers in Mendon, and now Milford. Their common ancestor was Benjamin, first written Alby. His nativity is somewhat obscure. Whether he was the original immigrant from Eng., or a son, is uncertain. He is first mentioned as of Braintree in 1641, and made freeman there in 1642. He appears to have had a bro. John in Braintree at the same date. Benjamin removed to Medfield in 1649. In 1664 he became interested in Quinshipaug Plantation (Mendon), and made the famous agreement with the superintending committee to erect and maintain a corn-mill for the plantation, on Mill River, at what is now the Lewis B. Gaskill place. He soon after had the necessary dam built, and put the mill in operation. This was the first water-power mill for grain-grinding in all these parts, and the first work of civilization on our Milford territory. The mill was probably started in 1664 or 1665, perhaps a little later. At the same time the proprietor took up his abode near the mill, on the south side of the road, near where Willis Gould now dwells. The plantation authorities afterwards voted him a bounty of fifty acres of land, situated east of the river and south of the road, in consideration of his building and maintaining the corn-mill, though the immediate site of the mill and pond covered but one acre. Benjamin Albee was a very enterprising man, a public-land surveyor, and much employed in the numerous layings-out of ways, lots, and common lands in early times. When Mendon became an incorporated town in 1667, he was made one of its first selectmen, and intrusted with other responsible offices. His mill-privilege and lands were confirmed to him, and full record made, in 1672. When King Philip's war broke out in 1675, he fled eastward with the Mendon fugitives, and all their buildings were burned by the savages. He was now an old man, and never returned further than Medfield. There he prob. d.; and, either by deed or will, all his Mendon property passed into the hands of his son James. His wf.'s name was *Hannah*, though one Medfield record says *Sarah;* but *Hannah* seems most prob. There is considerable conflict and confusion concerning the birth-dates, etc., of his chn. I am unable to determine the dates or the birthplaces of the older ones.

James, prob. b. Braintree 1640 to 1649; m. Hannah Cook 1671.
John, prob. b. Braintree 1640 to 1649; m. Jane Holbrook, Oct. 18, 1671.
Benjamin, b. Medfield, perhaps 1651 or 1652.

HANNAH, b. Medfield, March, 1853.

Just when the mother or father d. no dates found. *John Albee*, who m. *Jane Holbrook*, d. in Mendon, July 14, 1675, and left four chn., names not given. One or two d., and the wid. was made guardian of the survivors. I suppose she fled with the rest of the inhabitants from the impending tomahawks of Philip's Indians, and never returned. What became of her chn. I have been unable to learn. I supposed, at one time, that the John Albee who m. Deborah Thayer in 1705 was of this family, but finally concluded he must be the son of James.

What became of *Benjamin*, the other son of the miller, is a mystery to me. He does not appear to have set. hereabouts; and I have sometimes conjectured he might have been the Benjamin of Swanzey, who was early among the Baptists of that town. But of this I am uncertain: so I dismiss the question.

ALBEE, JAMES[2] (Benjamin[1]), b. prob. in Braintree 1640 to 1649; m. *Hannah Cook*, in Medfield, Oct. 18, 1671. Their chn.:—

BENJAMIN, b. prob. between 1671 and 1680; m. Abial —— about 1692.
JOHN, b. prob. between 1671 and 1680; m. Deborah Thayer, June 6, 1705.
JAMES, b. in Mendon, March 11, 1681; m. Mary Thayer, Jan. 3, 1708.
HANNAH, b. in Mendon, Jan. 2, 1683; m. Samuel Holbrook, Aug., 1720.
LYDIA, b. in Mendon about 1685; d. July 24, 1787.
SARAH, b. in Mendon, May 2, 1687; m. Samuel Daniels, Dec. 10, 1730.
LYDIA, b. in Mendon about 1690; m. Jonathan Hayward, 3d, Jan. 22, 1716.

James Albee[2] was undoubtedly a man of large landed possessions and social influence. I have not found his death-date, nor that of his wife; but, from a certain gift-deed of land to his dr. Lydia and her husband, Jonathan Hayward, 3d, dated March 26, 1717, and recorded in Suffolk Registry, I assume that they d. subsequently to that date, perhaps a few yrs.

ALBEE, BENJAMIN[3] (James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. between 1671 and 1680; m. *Abial* —— about 1692. Their chn.:—

BENJAMIN, jun., b. Nov. 1, 1694; m. Mary ——.
LYDIA, b. Dec. 11, 1696.
ABIAL, b. March 15, 1701.
OBADIAH, b. Oct. 29, 1705; m. Jean ——.
EBENEZER, b. June 8, 1708; m. Abigail ——, Elizabeth ——.
JAMES, b. March 12, 1720; m. Prudence White, Jan. 21, 1745; went to Uxbridge.

I find no more recorded. This Benjamin was sometimes designated as "sen.," and his oldest son generally as "jun.," to distinguish them. Benjamin, sen., dwelt on a long-since abandoned home-site in So. Milford, on the south side of Mellen St., nearly opposite to the house a few yrs. ago occupied by Jesse Howard, decd. Thereabouts he had a considerable homestead. I have not found the death-dates of himself and wf.

ALBEE, JOHN[3] (James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. between 1671 and 1680; m. *Deborah Thayer*, dr. of Jonathan and Elizabeth (French) Thayer, b. Nov. 4, 1687; cer. June 6, 1705. Their chn.:—

DEBORAH, b. March 16, 1706; d. young.
ABIGAIL, b. April 18, 1707.
DEBORAH, b. Nov. 2, 1710; m. Joseph Corbett, July 3, 1733.
KEZIAH, b. April 4, 1713.
JOHN, b. May 2, 1717; d. young.
HANNAH, b. Oct. 11, 1718; m. Silas Wheelock, May 20, 1740.

JOHN, b. Feb. 15, 1720–21; m. Sarah ——.

RACHEL, b. June 11, 1725.

John[3] dwelt in the edge of present Mendon, near where Willis Gould now lives, on an estate which descended to him from Benjamin the patriarch, through James[2], his father. I am not master of the death-dates of John[3] and wf.

ALBEE, JAMES[3] (James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. March 11, 1681; m. *Mary Thayer*, ptge., etc., not traced; cer. Jan. 3, 1708. Their chn.:—

MARY, b. April 12, 1710; m. Samuel Wood, Nov. 12, 1730.

JAMES, b. Feb. 21, 1711; m., 1st, Margaret Wheelock; 2d, Hannah Parmenter.

TIMOTHY, b.; no record found; but tradition says he was of this family, and fr. of Barzillai.

MARTHA, b. May 16, 1714; m. Isaac Sheffield of Holl, Feb. 16, 1737–38.

THOMAS, b.; date not found; m. Jemima Thompson Bell, Nov. 22, 1750.

SETH, b.; date not found; m. Rebecca Beal about 1758.

I infer that James[3] res. a little south-easterly of Bear Hill, certainly somewhere in that close vicinity. I have not at my command the death-dates of himself and wf.

ALBEE, BENJ., Jun.[4] (Benj., sen.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. Nov. 1, 1694; m. *Mary* ——; date of cer. not found. Their chn.:—

GIDEON, Dea., b. May 1, 1723; m. Hephzibah Clark, Medfield, Jan. 21, 1745–46.

SUSANNA, b. (prob.) 1725; m. Caleb Taft, Aug. 10, 1747.

JEMIMA, b. Sept. 14, 1727; d. young.

BENJAMIN, b. Sept. 7, 1729; d. young.

JEMIMA, b. Oct. 7, 1731; m. Richard Puffer, Wrentham, April 11, 1751.

BENJAMIN, b. Oct. 17, 1733; m. Abigail Nelson, Dec. 3, 1755; soon d.

PETER, b. Jan. 19, 1736. Not traced; prob. emigrated.

STEPHEN, b. July 22, 1741; m. Mary Wood, Sept. 2, 1761.

Benjamin, jun., dwelt where Charles Knights now does, on Mellen St., near Warfield, as now called. He appears to have been quite a large landholder, and one of the solid citizens. He d. 1755, leaving a judicious will, whereof his wf. Mary and eldest son Gideon were made executors. Mrs. Mary's death-date not ascertained.

ALBEE, OBADIAH[4] (Benjamin,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Oct. 29, 1705; m. *Jean* ——; date not found. Issue:—

OBADIAH, b. June 27, 1730.

RHODA, b. June 1, 1731; m. John Chapin, jun., May 28, 1754.

Perhaps there were more of this family, not recorded in Mendon. I cannot locate or further trace them.

ALBEE, EBENEZER[4] (Benjamin,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. June 8, 1708; by wf. *Abigail* had—

ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 17, 1731; m. Nathan Keith of Ux., Oct. 7, 1762.

ASA, b. Aug. 26, 1734; d. Jan. 3, 1737–38.

EBENEZER, b. April 17, 1736; m. Esther ——.

KEZIAH, b. Aug. 27, 1739; d. Sept. 27, 1740.

RACHEL, b. March 7, 1767; untraced.

AMARIAH, b. Jan. 12, 1770; untraced.

The last two sup. to be by 2d wf. Elizabeth. This Ebenezer[4] was one of the original members of our Cong. ch., formed 1741; but I cannot locate his homestead, or give his death-date. I suspect he may have dwelt in our "City District," so called.

ALBEE, JAMES [4] (James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin [1]), b. Feb. 21, 1711; m., 1st, *Margaret Wheelock*, dr. of Obadiah and Elizabeth (Darling) Wheelock, b. Feb. 18, 1723; cer. Jan. 6, 1739. Their chn.: —

RACHEL, b. Jan. 20, 1742; m. Jonas Parkhurst, sen., Dec. 25, 1788. She d. June 1, 1829.

BARZILLAI, b. Nov. 14, 1747; m. Mary Marshall, March 21, 1770; em. to Vt.

MARGARET, b. Feb. 25, 1753; d. unm. Feb. 11, 1839, a. about 87 yrs.

Mrs. Margaret d.; date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Parmenter* of Hop.; cer. Feb. 6, 1754, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

HANNAH, b. Nov. 26, 1754; d. unm. Dec. 20, 1831, a. 77 yrs.

JAMES, b. May 19, 1756; m. Ruth Highland 1803; he d. Aug. 26, 1806.

SETH, b. July 5, 1761; m. Elizabeth Lambert, Aug. 30, 1797.

TIMOTHY, b. May 5, 1764; d. unm. Dec. 12, 1831, a. 67 yrs.

This family dwelt in the south-easterly part of Bear-Hill district. He d. March 19, 1784, said to be aged 70 yrs.; but this does not agree with his birth-date as before given, making him 4 yrs. too young. These old dates throughout my researches are too often unreliable. The death-date of his 1st wf. not found. Mrs. Hannah, the 2d, d. July 6, 1818, a. 86 yrs.

ALBEE, THOMAS [4] (James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin [1]); date of his birth not found; m., 1st, *Jemima Thompson* of Bell.; cer. Nov. 22, 1750, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Their chn.: —

JONATHAN, b., perhaps, 1752; bap. 1761; untraced.

HULDAH, b., perhaps, 1754; bap. 1761; untraced.

ELIZABETH, b., perhaps, 1756; bap. 1761; m. Jacob Hayward, July 23, 1778.

MOLLY, b. Jan. 23, 1758; bap. 1761; d. Jan. 7, 1819.

AMARIAH, b., perhaps, March 3, 1760; bap. 1761.

ANNA, b., perhaps, July 15, 1762; bap. 1762.

SUSANNA, b., perhaps, April 14, 1765; bap. 1765.

OLIVE, bap. Oct. 4, 1767; birth not found.

BEULAH, bap. April 28, 1771; birth not found.

JEMIMA, bap. Aug. 15, 1773; birth not found.

Mrs. Jemima d.; date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, widow *Mary Thompson;* cer. Nov. 23, 1775, by Rev. A. Frost. Find no chn. by this mge. I am unable to locate or trace this family further.

ALBEE, SETH [4] (James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin [1]); birth-date not found; m. *Rebecca Beal*, b. 1737; cer. about 1758.

REBECCA, b. April 7, 1760; bap. May 18, 1760; d. 1775, a. 15 yrs.

ABEL, b. Jan. 30, 1763; bap. April 10, 1763; m. Annah Wood, April 29, 1784.

RACHEL, b. March 25, 1765; bap. May 26, 1765; m. Artemas Cheney, Feb. 1, 1781.

LABAN, b. May 11, 1767; bap. June 21, 1767; m. Joanna Hayward, May 12, 1791.

SETH, b. July 7, 1769; bap. Aug. 13, 1769; d. in infancy.

LUCY, b. 1772; bap. April 26, 1772; d. 1780, a. 8 yrs.

CHLOE, b. July 24, 1774; bap. Sept. 4. 1774; m. Pearley Hunt, May 10, 1795.

Seth [4] dwelt on a respectable homestead in the south-east part of Bear-Hill district. He was of respectable standing among his fellow-citizens. He d. in the prime of middle age, leaving his worthy wf. in widowhood to care for her chn. as best she might. He d. in 1775, and Mrs. Rebecca administered on his estate. She m., 2d, Lieut. Joseph Gibbs, Aug. 27, 1778. (See Gibbs.)

ALBEE, JOHN[4] (John,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Feb. 15, 1720–21; m. *Sarah*, b. 1724. Particulars of mge. not ascertained. Issue:—

HANNAH, b. June 8, 1744; m. Jesse Hayward, Sept. 26, 1764.
JOHN, Jun., b. May 1, 1746; m. Abigail Grant, Medway, June 4, 1770.
ZURIEL, b. Jan. 16, 1747; m. Anna Penniman, Bell., March 27, 1776.
DEBORAH, b. March 4, 1749; untraced.
ABNER, b. Oct. 23, 1751; m., 1st, Katy Penniman, Bell., 1774; 2d, Anna Nelson, 1811.
LEVI, b. Sept. 30, 1753; m. Temperance Legg of Mendon.
ICHABOD, b. Dec. 18, 1755; m. Lona Hayward.
SARAH, b. Jan. 13, 1758; untraced.
SIMEON, b. June 23, 1760; m., 1st, Rebecca Stoddard, Nov. 30, 1786; 2d, wid. Holbrook.
KEZIA, b. Nov. 12, 1762; m. Ebenezer Sumner, jun., April, 1782.
ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 12, 1765; m. James Wales of Franklin, March 11, 1790.
RACHEL, b. March 7, 1767; untraced.

I am not certain, but assume, that this John Albee[4] inherited and dwelt on his father's place in the edge of Mendon, where Willis Gould now inhabits. He d. March 25, 1799; and Mrs. Sarah d. June 7, the same yr.

ALBEE, Dea. GIDEON[5] (Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. May 1, 1723; m. *Hephzibah Clark* of Medfield; cer. Jan. 21, 1745–1746. Their chn.:—

PETER, b. Nov. 27, 1746; m. Rhoda Penniman, June 8, 1769; emigrated.
MARY, b. Nov. 25, 1748; m. Daniel Hill of Douglas, Dec. 3, 1767.
HEPHZIBAH, b. Sept. 24, 1850; m. Simeon Fisher, Holl., Dec. 6, 1770.
NATHAN, b. Aug. 14, 1752; m. Elizabeth Wheelock, March 20, 1776.
BEULAH, b. Dec. 24, 1753; m. Silas Marsh, Sturbridge, Feb. 8, 1775.
GIDEON, b. Nov. 2, 1755; d. Sept. 27, 1761.
ELIJAH, b. Dec. 17, 1757; d. Sept. 23, 1761.
BENJAMIN, b. July 16, 1759; d. Sept. 23, 1761.
GIDEON, b. Feb. 12, 1762; had a remarkable mathematical genius; d. unm., a. 78.
ELIJAH, b. Jan. 19, 1764; m. Rachel Chapin, April 13, 1794.
SILENCE, b. Nov. 5, 1765; d. Nov. 23, 1765.
PHEBE, b. Oct. 30, 1766; m. Cyrus Wheelock, Jan. 19, 1786.

Dea. Gideon dwelt on Plain St., now so called, on premises at present owned and occupied by Samuel Gaskill. He was a blacksmith by trade, a considerable landholder, a pillar in the Cong. ch., whereof he was a deacon, and his wife a worthy member. In citizenship and social standing the family was reputable. His son Nathan was an ingenious gunsmith, silversmith, etc. I think he left town, and dwelt in Bell. He d. Feb. 16, 1792, a. 40 yrs. His son Gideon, though otherwise inefficient, was pre-eminently gifted by nature with an aptitude for mathematical calculations. He had little scholastic tuition, but such were his intuitive arithmetical capabilities that he became famous in his general vicinity for his ready solution of the toughest problems. But his genius brought him more fame than money. He d. unm., in our asylum, at the age of 78 yrs. Dea. Gideon d. Nov. 18, 1799. Mrs. Hephzibah, his wid., d. March 20, 1811.

ALBEE, BENJAMIN[5] (Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Oct. 17, 1733; m. *Abigail Nelson*, dr. of Eld. Nathaniel and Deborah (Chapin) Nelson, b. July 14, 1737; cer. Dec. 3, 1755, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

NATHANIEL, b. 1567; d. Oct. 6, 1760, a. 3 yrs. 8 m. and 24 days.

The father d. Nov. 6, 1758, a. 25 yrs. and 20 days. The widow's subsequent history not traced.

ALBEE, STEPHEN[5] (Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. July 22, 1741; m. *Mary Wood*, ptge., etc., not traced; cer. Sept. 2, 1761, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

ANNE, b. Feb. 26, 1762; untraced.

ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 4, 1763; untraced.

LOIS, b. May 5, 1766; untraced.

CATE, b. Feb. 1, 1768; m. Ammiel W. Rockwood, Upton, Dec. 1, 1792.

AZUBAH, b. July 12, 1770; untraced.

MOSES, b. May 17, 1772; m. Lucretia Howard, Oct. 16, 1806.

Stephen Albee was in his minority when his father d., and his mother was appointed his guardian. I suppose that after mge. he dwelt in So. Mil., and for a time prob. on his decd. fr.'s homestead; but I have not traced his subsequent history, nor learned when he or his wf. d.

ALBEE, JOHN, jun.[5] (John,[4] John,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. May 1, 1746; m., 1st, *Abigail Grant* of Medway; cer. Jan. 4, 1770, by Rev. Nathan Buckman, and 2d, *Sarah Bugbee* of Roxbury (i.e., if I have not mistaken the man); cer. Aug. 24, 1790, by Rev. Dr. Porter. In this last case he is styled "Capt. John Albee of Mendon." I get no record of chn. in either case.

ALBEE, ZURIEL,[5] next bro. to John, jun., in age; b. Jan. 16, 1747; m. *Anna Penniman* of Bellingham, March 27, 1776; and no further traced.

ALBEE, ABNER,[5] next after Zuriel; b. Oct. 23, 1751; m., 1st, *Katy Penniman* of Bell., Nov. 23, 1774; 2d, wid. *Anna Nelson*, previously wf. of Josiah Nelson, jun., maiden name, *Anna Warren;* cer. May 30, 1811, by Rev. D. Long. He set. Chesterfield, N.H. No further traced.

ALBEE, LEVI,[5] next after Abner; m. *Temperance Legy*, and had, perhaps, in Mendon, —

BETSEY, b. Feb. 23, 1785.

ANDREW, b. July 27, 1787.

DEBORAH, b. Dec. 18, 1789.

SUSANNA, b. June 9, 1792.

DIANA, b. May 17, 1795; m. Simeon Wheelock, Mendon, 1829.

This family prob. belonged to Mendon. No further traced.

ALBEE, ICHABOD[5] (John,[4] John,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Dec. 18, 1755; m. *Lona Hayward*, dr. of Comfort Hayward, b. in Mendon, Nov. 28, 1761; date and particulars of cer. not given. They set. in Westmoreland, N.H., and their chn. were, —

ESTHER, b. March 9, 1788.

AHIRA, b. April 7, 1790.

JOHN, b. July 15, 1792; m. Ellen Wild, Dec. 25, 1820, and they had four chn.

AZUBAH, b. Feb. 4, 1795.

HARDING, b. March 8, 1800.

SUMNER, b. Dec. 19, 1804.

The fr. d. on his homestead in Westmoreland, N.H., July 3, 1844; Mrs. Lona, his wid., d. there June 3, 1846. They were succeeded on that homestead by their son JOHN,[6] who m., as above, *Ellen Wild*, Dec. 25, 1820, and had —

JOHN JUSTIN, b. Nov. 22, 1822; m. H. N. Fisk, Sept. 1, 1847; d. June 7, 1879; left five chn.

Persis Livira, b. June 11, 1825; m. Eli R. Wellington, Nov. 14, 1843; four chn.

David Solon, b. Feb. 14, 1828; d. Sept. 13, 1829.

George Sumner, b. Oct. 30, 1830; now a respectable physician in Hop., near us.

John[6] d. Nov. 5, 1878. His wife preceded him Feb. 11, 1869.

ALBEE, George Sumner, M.D.[7] (John,[6] Ichabod,[5] John,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Westmoreland, N.H., Oct. 30, 1830; a long-settled physician in our neighboring town of Hopkinton; m. *Elizabeth Macdonald*, dr. of Duncan and Julia (Spofford) Macdonald of Cleveland, N.Y.; cer. Oct. 29, 1862, by Rev. D. Williams. Their chn.:—

Edgar Duncan, b. Aug. 7, 1864.

John, b. Sept. 30, 1869.

George Macdonald, b. Jan. 22, 1871.

Elcie Mabel, b. Jan. 20, 1873.

Maud, b. May 7, 1875.

All these were born in Hop., where Dr. Albee has been practising his profession acceptably for twenty-one yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth d. April 29, 1877. I am indebted to Dr. Albee for valuable information concerning the Albee lineage. I am obliged to omit many furnished particulars.

ALBEE, Simeon[5] (John,[4] John,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. June 23, 1760, farmer; m., 1st, *Rebecca Stoddard*, dr. of Jeremiah and Rebecca Stoddard, b. in Hingham, date not found; cer. Nov. 30, 1786, by Rev. Caleb Alexander. Their chn.:—

Ellery, b. Dec. 27, 1787; untraced.

Cynthia, b. July 20, 1789; d. Nov. 30, 1794.

Clarissa, b. Oct. 13, 1790; d. Dec. 5, 1794.

Lydia, b. July 17, 1792.

Levi, twin, b. May 11, 1794.

Rachel, twin, b. May 11, 1794; m. Isaac Whittemore, Sept. 25, 1827.

Cynthia, b. Aug. 21, 1796; m. David Nutting of Erving's Grant, April 20, 1825.

Clarissa, b. March 26, 1798; m. John A. Parkman, March 6, 1828.

Ezekiel, b.; untraced.

Amy, b. 1801; m. Elijah Taft, April 5, 1826, She d. 1838, he 1861.

Holland, b.; have sought, but not obtained, the desired data.

Sumner, b.; have sought, but not obtained, the desired data.

Mrs. Rebecca d. Sept. 26, 1821. The hus. m., 2d, *Sabra (Partridge) Holbrook*, wid. of Calvin Holbrook; cer. April 5, 1827, by Rev. D. Long; no chn. Simeon Albee was a well-disposed, orderly, industrious citizen, sometimes of Mendon, but mostly of Mil. He dwelt many years at the old Stoddard place on Plain St., whose ruins are marked by the tenacious lilac-shrubs, and was perhaps the last inhabitant there. He was never rich, but rather a hard worker of moderate means, yet of worthy character and family, so far as I ever knew. He d. 1848, a. 88 yrs. Mrs. Sabra, his wid., d. 1852.

ALBEE, Barzillai[6] (Timothy,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), Nov. 14, 1747; m. *Mary Marshall*, dr. of Joseph and Mary (Leland) Marshall, b. July 12, 1748; cer. March 21, 1770, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

Benjamin, b. June 1, 1771; d. Oct. 4, 1772.

Artemas, b. Sept. 7, 1772; untraced.

Mary, b. July 29, 1774; d. Sept. 30, 1777.

ALPHEUS, b. Sept. 27, 1776; m. Susanna Phillips, Bell., 1796.
AMARIAH, b. March 12, 1779; untraced.
HANNAH, b.; untraced.
AMASA, b. April 2, 1781; m. Polly Partridge, June, 1800.

I at first supposed that this Barzillai was a son of James Albee,[4] but later I was told he was a son of Timothy. Barzillai once dwelt on what is now called Howard St., on the left side, about one-third of a mile south-easterly from Alonzo J. F. Howard's. It has long been an abandoned home-site, which I have designated as No. 37 in my list of such sites. Mrs. Mary d. June 11, 1783. Prob. he died at his home in the State of Vt. Whether the above named were all his chn., I am not quite certain; but I find no others on record. His son Amasa, who m. Polly Partridge in 1800, is the only one of them credited by our records with the birth of a child; viz., *Sukey*, b. Nov. 26, 1801. I suspect that the whole family must have emigrated to other localities somewhere, I am told in the State of Vt.

ALBEE, SETH[5] (James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. July 5, 1761; m. *Elizabeth Lambert*, dr. of Henry and Hannah (Beal) Lambert, b. Sept. 14, 1771; cer. Aug. 30, 1797, by Rev. Caleb Alexander. Their chn.: —

HENRY, b. March 11, 1798; d. June 26, 1799.
LUCY, b. Dec. 1, 1799; d. Aug. 10, 1802.
SARAH, b. Nov. 30, 1801; m. Maynard Rawson, Dec. 28, 1828.
AMANDA, b. July 26, 1804; m. Abel Clark, June 13, 1827.
SYLVIA, b. Feb. 9, 1807; m. Willard Ellison, Ux., March 23, 1830.
CYNTHIA, b. Aug. 7, 1809; m. Sewell H. Gould, March 31, 1835.
CLARK, b. May 3, 1812; m. Vianna Holbrook, Aug. 7, 1833.
WARREN, b. 1814; d. June 29, 1823, a. 9 yrs.

Seth[5] and family dwelt in the south-easterly part of Bear-hill district, on a section of the ancient Albee heritage, — unpretentious, well-disposed, peaceable people. He and his bro. Barzillai seem to be the only two of their father's chn. that raised up families. Their bro. James m., and had one dr., *Catherine*, that d. 1805. He followed in 1806. Seth[5] d. June 28, 1833, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid. d. Oct. 27, 1856, a. 85 yrs.

ALBEE, SAMUEL. Pedigree anxiously sought, but not found.

By wf. Hannah had —

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 27, 1750.
ASA, b. July 24, 1753; m. Alice Hayward, Dec. 25, 1777.
JABEZ, b. March 27, 1755.

Samuel d. Feb. 27, 1797. From all I can learn, this Samuel Albee, sen., must have been the fr. of Caleb and Admiral; but I found it impossible to trace out the lineage authentically.

ALBEE, EBENEZER[5] (Ebenezer,[4] Benj.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. April 17, 1736; by wf. Esther had —

EBENEZER, b. July 28, 1756; m. Ruhamah Washburn, June 2, 1775.
MARY, b. Feb. 14, 1761; untraced.
SALATHIEL, b. Feb. 24, 1764; untraced.
SUSANNA, b. Jan. 16, 1766; untraced.
DANIEL, b. Nov. 5, 1768; untraced.

I cannot locate or give any account of this family. The son —

ALBEE, EBENEZER,[6] by wife *Ruhamah* had —

LOIS, b. Sept. 2, 1775; m. Elisha Hayward, Upton, 1792.
ELIHU, b. Jan. 16, 1780; untraced.

Ruth, b. May 31, 1785; untraced.
Phila, b. June 8, 1788; untraced.
Sally, b. Sept. 20, 1790; untraced.
Amila, b. April 3, 1793; untraced.
Ebenezer, b. Oct. 8, 1795; untraced.

I cannot locate or trace these. I give them as recd. from my transcriber of Mendon records. I doubt if either Ebenezer[5] or[6] dwelt on our territory.

Rev. Mr. Frost, in his record of baptisms, sets down —

ALBEE, Eleazer, and wf. *Mercy*, as having the following-named chn. bap. by him between May 16, 1756, and Oct. 5, 1760: —

William, *Mercy*, *Hannah*, *Eleazer*, and *Rhoda*. But of what lineage, where they dwelt, or what became of them, I find no intimation.

ALBEE, Abel[5] (Seth,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. Jan. 30, 1763; m. *Annah Wood*, dr. of Obadiah and Experience (Hayward) Wood, b. 1767; cer. April 29, 1784 by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Nameless inft., d. March 26, 1785.
Lucy, b. April 13, 1786; d. Oct. 27, 1798.
Inft., b. Oct. 20, 1788; d. Nov. 3, 1788.
Otis A., b. May 30, 1790; d. unm.; buried in the Bicknell Cemetery.
(Pedee) Experience, b. April 11, 1792; m. Rufus Thayer, 2d, Dec. 7, 1820. She d. 1877.
Ruth, b. June 8, 1794; m., 1st, Nathan Holbrook; 2d, Isaac Davenport.
Abel, jun., b. March 24, 1797; m. Abigail Partridge, Dec. 3, 1818.
Chloe Hunt, b. Sept. 25, 1801; m. Sylvanus Adams, May 13, 1819.
Obadiah Wood, b. June 10, 1804; m. Eunice Draper, Northbridge, Jan. 1, 1844.

A worthy and respected family. Their patrimonial homestead was in the south-easterly part of Bear-hill dist. Abel[5] d. of cancer, which commenced its fatal operations on the under lip, and consumed much of the adjacent flesh. He d. May 19, 1817, a. 55 yrs. Mrs. Annah, his wid., d. July 15, 1831. No report comes to me, in the family record given in, concerning Otis A. The record of Abel, jun., will be found in its place below. Obadiah Wood m., as above, had but one child, which d. in early infancy. He d. April 22, 1858; and Mrs. Eunice, his wid., followed him June 24, 1873. Ruth had no chn. by either mge. The chn. of the other sisters appear under their husbands' names.

ALBEE, Laban[5] (Seth,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. May 11, 1767; mr.'s maiden name, Rebecca Beal; m. *Joanna Hayward*, dr. of Elihu and Sarah (Hiscock) Hayward H., b. in our precinct Jan. 24, 1770; cer. May 12, 1791, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Rebecca, b. Mil., May 26, 1792; d. unm. May 29, 1842.
Arba, b. Pelham, March 22, 1794; m.; had 3 sons, and d. March 29, 1857.
Chloe, b. Pelham, May 7, 1798; d. unm. Jan. 10, 1866.
Nancy, b. Pelham, Feb. 23, 1801; res. unm. with her bro. Warren, Charlemont.
Benjamin, b. Pelham, May 13, 1803; m.; has had 8 chn., 3 still living.
Lucinda, b. Pelham, Aug. 5, 1806; m. Aaron Gould; had 7 chn., and d. Dec. 19, 1879.
Warren, b. Pelham, Sept. 16, 1808; m., 1st, Mercy Sears, Feb. 8, 1838; 2d, Martha A. Fox, Jan. 25, 1854.

I am indebted to Warren Albee, who res. in Charlemont, for the above and kindred information. It seems that his bro. Benjamin still survives; but who

he m. is not told, nor where he now res.; perhaps in Pelham, perhaps in Charlemont or that vicinity. Laban Albee's father d., leaving him 8 yrs. of age, and he was bound to or lived with Col. Benjamin Godfrey until 21 yrs. of a. Sometime after marriage he set. in Pelham, where all his chn. were b. Later in life he mov. to Charlemont. There Mrs. Joanna d. March 16, 1838; and there he d. Feb. 11, 1855. I have always heard them spoken of as very industrious, honest, worthy people, though not rich in this world's goods.

ALBEE, WARREN[6] (Laban,[5] Seth,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in Pelham, Sept. 16, 1808, farmer; m., 1st, *Mercy Sears*, ptge., etc., not given; cer. Feb. 8, 1838; no particulars given. Their chn.: —

HENRY M., b. in Charlemont, April 27, 1839; d. July 26, 1863.

PERSIS S., b. in Charlemont, Jan. 18, 1841.

MERCY, b. in Charlemont, Oct. 25, 1844; d. Dec. 3, 1855.

LUCY M., b. in Charlemont, Dec. 29, 1846; d. Feb. 5, 1861.

THANKFUL, b. in Charlemont, April 30, 1849; d. Feb. 1, 1850.

INFT. DR., b. in Charlemont, Jan. 31, 1853; d. Feb. 16, ensuing.

Mrs. Mercy d. Feb. 8, 1853. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha A. Fox;* ptge., etc., not given; cer. Jan. 25, 1854; no particulars given. Issue: —

EMMA A., b. Oct. 27, 1856.

Warren and family res. in Charlemont, and are well reported of in respect to intelligence and moral character.

ALBEE, THOMAS (pedigree not ascertained; may have been an unrecorded son of Thomas[4]), m. *Olive Albee*, ptge., etc., untraced; cer. Dec. 8, 1785, by Rev. A. Frost, and had three chn. recorded here: —

ALEXANDER, b. March 7, 1786.

SALLY, b. March 23, 1788.

EDE, b. Dec. 21, 1790; d. Feb. 5, 1805.

Cannot locate or further trace this family.

ALBEE, ELIJAH[6] (Dea. Gideon,[5] Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Jan. 19, 1764, blacksmith; m. *Rachel Chapin*, dr. of Stephen and Rachel (Rawson) Chapin, and sister of Rev. Dr. Stephen Chapin, b. Aug. 14, 1771; cer. April 13, 1784, by Amariah Frost, jun., Esq. Their chn.: —

NATHAN, b. Aug. 14, 1795; m. Keziah Holbrook, March 10, 1825. He d. April 2, 1832.

JOSEPH, b. Aug. 1, 1797; m. Hannah Warfield, June 18, 1828. He d. Jan. 26, 1880.

CYNTHIA, b. March 23, 1800; d. May 7, 1802.

IZANNA, b. April 16, 1802; d. unm., 1864.

ELIJAH, b. Nov. 12, 1806; m. Celinda H. Wood, April 5, 1835. He d. Sept. 23, 1868.

STEPHEN, b. May 1, 1811; m. Harriet N. Scott, April 30, 1837.

Elijah[6] inherited and dwelt on Dea. Gideon's homestead, now owned by Samuel Gaskill, on Plain Street. He followed his father's calling of blacksmith and farmer. The family sustained the reputable standing of their progenitors. The fr. d. Jan. 4, 1835, a. 71 yrs. Mrs. Rachel, his wid., d. Sept. 19, 1836, a. 65 yrs.

ALBEE, CALEB (pedigree not ascertained, owing to neglect of recording, but believed to be a son of Samuel), b. March 10, 1766, farmer; m. *Mercy Twitchell*, dr. of Ephraim and Lydia (Parkhurst) Twitchell, b. Sept. 22, 1773; cer. Aug. 28, 1791, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Lucretia, b. Oct. 30, 1792; m. Richard Currier, Aug. 23, 1818.

Lydia, b. May 22, 1795; m. Jones Pond, May 18, 1822.

Catherine, b. April 2, 1798; m. Otis Kilburn, March 29, 1818.

Lovett, b. July 10, 1801; m. Charlotte Bullard, Dec. 18, 1822.

Caleb Albee and wf. dwelt many yrs. on the old John Perry place, E. Main St., which I think he sold to Charles Ballou, tailor, in 1822. The place contained between thirty and forty acres of land. He then for several yrs. managed the Noah Wiswall place, owned by Pearley Hunt, Esq., carrying it on "at the halves." He was a very industrious, neat, orderly farmer, and continued to labor till age and infirmity obliged him to cease. When a youth of a little over fifteen yrs., he enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary army, and served during the last two yrs. of the war, mostly in the vicinity of West Point, N.Y. At one time he narrowly escaped death by small-pox; crediting his preservation largely to the assiduous and kind attentions of a Frenchman in the army. Half a century afterwards he met and recognized that generous-hearted French comrade in the streets of Milford, which he said gave him more pleasure than any one experience of his life. He had a distinct recollection of Washington, Putnam, and other famous chieftains of the Revolution, down to the close of his days, and delighted to recall the stirring scenes and sights of his martial youth. He drew a much-needed pension, among his fellow surviving revolutionaries, which was a solace to his old age. He d. in Holl., Aug. 1, 1856, being in his 91st yr. Mrs. Mercy d. there May 28, 1857, being in her 85th yr.

ALBEE, Admiral, half-bro. of the aforesaid Caleb, b. about 1780; m. *Althira Bolcom*, ptge., etc., not ascertained, b. about 1797; date and particulars of mge. not found. Their chn.: —

Anderson Burnett, b. Mil., Dec. 3, 1815; m. —— Greene.

Althira, b. Mil., June 8, 1817; m. William L. F. Hatch, May 22, 1843. She d. 1844.

Admiral, jun., b. Mil., 1820; d. Worcester, Aug. 30, 1849.

Celia, b. Mil., 1826; m. Joseph Pearl, jun., Aug. 15, 1849.

Charles E., b. Mil., 1831; d. Athol, July 20, 1854.

Admiral Albee res. mostly in Mil. and Holl; last in Holl. Honest, well-disposed, much afflicted family. I reckoned them among my personal friends, and ministered at no less than four of their funerals, besides solemnizing two of their mges. The mr. d. in Holl. of consumption, April 25, 1843. The hus. and fr. d. in Holl., July 30, 1848, a. 68 yrs.

ALBEE, Moses[6] (Stephen,[5] Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. May 17, 1772; m. *Lucretia Howard*, dr. of Jesse and Hannah (Albee) Howard, b. 1782; cer. Oct. 16, 1806, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Obadiah Wheelock, b. March 24, 1808; grad. B. U. 1832; m. M. A. Chipman, Aug. 25, 1834.

Sarah Howard, b. June 11, 1810; m. George W. Jones, Grafton, Dec. 31, 1829. She d. childless March 20, 1853.

Abigail, b. Sept. 8, 1822; m. Abram Rice, Marlboro', Nov. 26, 1844. She d. March 20, 1853, leaving two chn.

I do not know whether Moses Albee ever owned a homestead or not. He res. much with Nathan Wood as manager of his farm, and at one time superintended our asylum. He always seemed to be an orderly, worthy citizen. At length he sank into a mental depression, and, like too many others, terminated

his mortal life with his own hand. He d. June 20, 1841. Mrs. Lucretia, his wid., d. in 1852.

ALBEE, Hon. Obadiah Wheelock[7] (Moses,[6] Stephen,[5] Benjamin, jun.,[4] Benjamin, sen.,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Mil., March 24, 1808; grad. B. U. 1832; m. *Margaret A. Chipman*, b. in Boston, Jan. 22, 1809; cer. Boston, Aug. 25, 1834; no other particulars given. Their chn.:—

Eugene Augustus, b. Marlboro', Jan. 30, 1837.

Milton Howard, b. Marlboro', Sept. 18, 1838.

Edward James, b. Marlboro', April 3, 1840; d. May 26, 1858.

Sarah Howard, b. Marlboro', Sept. 20, 1842.

Charles Henry, b. Marlboro', Oct. 6, 1844.

Abby Lucretia, b. Marlboro', Feb. 14, 1850.

Whether any of these have m., or, if so, to whom, not given.

Mr. Albee, as above indicated, received a liberal education, grad. at B. U. in 1832, became a distinguished educator in Marlboro', espoused warmly the temperance and anti-slavery causes, and won an honorable reputation in both houses of our State Legislature. He d. (leaving the above-named wife and chn.) in Marlboro', July 31, 1866, much lamented and honored, a. 58 yrs. He was six yrs. a member of General Court, and two of them a senator; in which last position he became famous as reputed author of the celebrated "Personal Liberty Bill." In 1862 he was appointed dep. collector of internal revenue for his district. The following condensation of a biographical sketch, published in a Marlboro' paper under date of Nov. 17, 1879, illustrates his character and reputation. I omit what has already been stated:—

"He removed to Marlboro' in 1833, and taught in the old Gates Academy until 1860, except for a yr. (1849–50), when he made a trip to California, sailing round Cape Horn. He chiefly distinguished himself as a teacher. He was to Marlboro' what Arnold was to Rugby. He had the peculiar power which at once compels obedience and inspires affection. His fame as an educator was national, receiving pupils from distant parts of the Union; and a large proportion of his scholars occupy important positions in society. He was characterized by transparent honesty of purpose, sincere public spirit, available scholarship, the courage of conviction, and indomitable perseverance. He was a valued friend, and did much to mould and turn in the right direction the present generation of business-men in his adopted town."

ALBEE, Abel, jun.[6] (Abel,[5] Seth,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. March 24, 1797, farmer; m. *Abigail Partridge*, dr. of Aaron and Abigail (Pond) Partridge, b. April 3, 1802; cer. Dec. 3, 1818, by Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide. Their chn.:—

A nameless son, b. and d. 1819.

Adaline Metcalf, b. Feb. 11, 1821; m., 1st, Ethan L. Bowker, 1846; 2d, Charles Chapin, 1872.

Charlotte M., b. Dec. 30, 1822; m. Horatio Thayer, Bell., 1849.

Pedee, b. April 5, 1825; m. Charles Chapin, June, 1841. She d. July 12, 1871.

Emily, b. Oct. 30, 1829; an able and devoted public-school teacher.

Medora, b. June 13, 1832; m. Otis Whitney, June 13, 1872.

Grandchn. now surviving:—

Dora Thayer, b. Nov. 2, 1851; m. Judson Camp, Nov. 26, 1876.

Abbie Thayer, b. Aug. 26, 1854.

These are the chn. of Horatio and Charlotte M. (Albee) Thayer. Two

others of their chn. d. young. Medora Whitney also lost her then only child in early infancy. So the posterity of Abel[6] is not large. He dwelt for several years on the paternal homestead, Bear-hill dist., Beaver St. Afterwards he built him a mansion on So. Main St. He and his wife were industrious, thrifty, well-to-do, respectable people. Mrs. Abigail d. Dec. 28, 1868; her hus. followed Dec. 25, 1872.

ALBEE, LOVETT, son of Caleb; ancestry not ascertained; mother's maiden name, Mercy Twitchell; b. Mil., July 10, 1801; bootmaker; m. *Charlotte Bullard*, dr. of Walter and Charlotte (Harris) Bullard, b. Holl., May 21, 1801; cer. Dec. 18, 1822, by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Issue: —

ALMIRA, b. Sept. 8, 1823; m. Charles W. Clark, April 30, 1843.

HARRIET, b. Sept. 5, 1825; m. Alonzo Thompson, 1846.

MARCUS MORTON, b. Aug. 25, 1827; m. Sarah Antivine, Bangor, Me.; res. Bangor.

ALFRED P., b. July 1, 1830.

LUCRETIA, b. Oct. 29, 1832; m. Charles Jones; 2d, John Prince.

CHARLOTTE J., b. March 18, 1836; d. Feb. 15, 1866.

EMILY L., b. Oct. 19, 1840; m. Willard Adams.

An orderly, well-disposed family. The hus. and fr. d. Dec. 11, 1858. His worthy wid. still survives, and res. in town.

There are ten grandchn.

ALBEE, NATHAN[7] (Elijah,[6] Dea. Gideon,[5] Benj., jun.,[4] Benj., sen.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. Aug. 14, 1795; m. *Keziah Holbrook*, dr. of Calvin and Sabra (Partridge) Holbrook, b. Feb. 2, 1794; cer. March 10, 1825, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

SABRA, b. March 18, 1826; untraced.

SABRINA, b. Sept. 14, 1828; m. Jesse Howard, Oct. 16, 1851.

The hus. and fr. d. April 2, 1832, a. 36 yrs. His wid. m., 2d, Josiah Gould, Sept. 22, 1833; cer. by P. Hunt, Esq.

ALBEE, JOSEPH[7] (Elijah,[6] Dea. Gideon,[5] Benj., jun.,[4] Benj., sen.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. Aug. 1, 1797; farmer; m. *Hannah Warfield*, dr. of Capt. Samuel and Margery (Gay) Warfield, b. March 19, 1797; cer. June 18, 1828, by Rev. D. Long. No chn.

Joseph[7] dwelt first, for many years, on the old patrimonial estate, Plain St., which at length he sold out to the present owner, Samuel Gaskill. He then spent some years in Mendon, where his wife, after a life of useful toil, lost her reason by severe sickness, wore out with insanity, and d. April 16, 1871, a. 74 yrs. 1 mo. and 3 ds. Later, he set. at South Hopedale, and d. there Jan. 26, 1880, a. 82 yrs. 5 mos. and 25 ds. He was a man of good qualities, of shrewd business judgment, a frugal economist, and an orderly citizen. He was kindly cared for in his old age by his niece, Mrs. Ida D. (Albee) Smith, and her hus.

ALBEE, ELIJAH, jun.[7] (Elijah, sen.,[6] Dea. Gideon,[5] Benj., jun.,[4] Benj., sen.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. Nov. 12, 1806; farmer; m. *Celinda H. Wood*, dr. of John and Lucy (Whitney) Wood, b. in Barre, Vt., May 21, 1810; cer. in Mendon, April 5, 1835, by the writer. Their chn.: —

ELLISON THURBER, b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1836; m. Lucy Olivia Powers, Walcott, Vt., May 31, 1859.

STEPHEN CHAPIN, b. Plainfield, Vt., Sept. 15, 1837; d. Walcott, Vt., May 4, 1863, a. 27 yrs. 7 mo. and 29 ds.

ELIAS WOOD, b. Plainfield, Vt., June 26, 1839; m. Clementine Dimmick, Dec. 23, 1867.

WILLIAM ALFRED, b. Plainfield, Vt., May 26, 1844; m., 1st, Sarah J. Clifford, April 17, 1867; 2d, Mary Holt.

MERRILL AUSTIN, b. Barre, Vt., May 1, 1846; m. Amy A. Dimmick, Oct. 20, 1875.

CELINDA ELLEN, b. Wolcott, Vt., Dec. 6, 1847; unm.; res. Lowell, Mass.

SOPHIA ELVIRA, b. Wolcott, Vt., Feb. 12, 1850; d. Wolcott, Vt., Dec. 19, 1861.

Elijah Albee, jun., and family commendably reputable. They moved from Mil. to Barre, Vt., near the end of Dec., 1836. He d. there Sept. 23, 1868, a. 61 yrs. 10 mos. and 11 ds. His eldest son, *Ellison Thurber*, m. as above; but was killed while at work on a farm in E. Montpelier, Vt., Oct. 31, 1863, a. 27 yrs. 9 mos. and 17 ds. He left no chn. The next oldest son, *Stephen Chapin Albee*, enlisted Sept. 24, 1861, for 3 yrs. in Co. A, Regt. 8, Vt. Vols.; was wounded June 11, 1863; re-enlisted Jan. 5, 1864; came home on 30 days' furlough in 1864; returned to the war; was taken prisoner Oct. 19, 1864; was confined in Libby Prison, Richmond, Va., and afterwards at Salisbury, N.C.; was paroled Feb. 28, 1865; and finally reached home in March, where he d. from the effects of prison treatment, May 4, 1865. *William A.* and *Merrill A.* also served their country in its armies during the civil war, and subsequently for several yrs. *William A.* lost his 1st wf. by death June 1, 1875. He m., 2d, Mary Holt, Hardwick, Vt., Dec. 3, 1875. There seems to be but 1 gd. child; viz., *Mertie May*, dr. of *Elias W.* and *Clementine* (*Dimmick*) *Albee*, b. in Elmore, Vt., Oct. 12, 1870. Mrs. Celinda, the worthy wid. of Elijah, still survives in vigorous usefulness, and now res. in Barre, Vt., with her venerable mother, over 90 yrs of age, tenderly caring for her welfare.

ALBEE STEPHEN[7] (Elijah,[6] Dea. Gideon,[5] Benj., jun.,[4] Benj., sen.,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. May 1, 1811; painter, glazier, etc.; m. *Harriet Newell Scott* of W. Wrentham, dr. of Lemuel and Ruth (Guild) Scott, b. Oct. 25, 1815; cer. in W. Wrentham, April 30, 1837, by Rev. Mr. White. Their chn.:—

STEPHEN CHAPIN, b. Mendon, Jan. 21, 1839; d. Feb. 24, 1840.

HARRIET AMANDA, b. Mendon, March 18, 1842; m., 1st, Wilson S. Stafford, June 12, 1864; 2d, Edgar C. Johnstone of San Francisco, Cal., March 7, 1871.

IDA DELMOTTE, b. Mendon, Oct. 10, 1847; m. Federick E. Smith, May 28, 1872.

CHARLES SUMNER, b. Hopedale, Feb. 9, 1857; m. Della M. Stone 1881.

Stephen[7] is a skilful painter, glazier, etc. He dwelt formerly in Mendon; then built him a home in So. Mil., junction of Plain and Mill Sts. Thence he removed to Hopedale in 1852, where he has lived ever since. He became a member of the First Ch. in Mendon when I was pastor there. He took an early interest in the temperance, anti-slavery, and peace reforms, and has continued his faithful adherence to them till now. Mrs. Harriet, his wf., d. Dec. 10, 1870. He has had his share of human troubles, and has been a long time disabled from business, — crippled in his limbs, and closely confined to his house, though happily permitted to retain his mental faculties, and to enjoy some mitigations of his infirmities. He has 4 gd. chn.; viz., H. Amanda's son, Edward DeWitt Stafford, b. Feb. 25, 1866, and her dr., Lottie May Johnstone, b. July 12, 1876. For the other two, see Fred. E. Smith, — name Smith.

ALBEE, CLARK[6] (Seth,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b. May 3, 1812; m. *Vianna Holbrook*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; cer. Aug. 7, 1833, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

Henry Clinton, b. June 16, 1834.
Augustus Clark, b. Sept. 5, 1835.
Nameless inft., b. Dec., 1836; d. March 28, 1838, a. 15 mos.
Seth, b. April 10, 1839.
Albert (twin), b. Jan. 27, 1843.
Alfred (twin), b. Jan. 27, 1843.

An orderly, well-disposed family. The hus. and fr. was cut off in the midst of life and usefulness. He d. June 18, 1845, a. 33 yrs. Mrs. Vianna, his wid., subsequently m. Silas Hixon. She d. April 7, 1875. Several of the above-named sons have gone West. All five, I am told, still survive.

ALBEE, Edwin Addison[7] (Ezekiel,[6] Simeon,[5] John,[4] John,[3] James,[2] Benj.[1]), b., date not given; carpenter; m. *Joanna Maria Clark*, dr. of John A. and Dorinda (Scammell) Clark, b. Dec. 14, 1836; cer. Oct. 31, 1855. Issue: —

1 child; name, etc., not given.

He carried on here the manufacture of doors, blinds, and sash, for several yrs. The family now res. No. Dana.

We have had several Albees at various periods in town, more or less transient or permanent dwellers, whose pedigree and family records I have not ascertained. Among these I will mention —

ALBEE, Barton Prescott (said to be a son of Prescott B. Albee), b. in Westmoreland, N.H. He was some yrs. an express messenger in town. He d. unm. at the Quinshepang House, his usual boarding-place, July 10, 1878, a. nearly 45 yrs. His remains were conveyed to Chesterfield, N.H., for interment.

I will remark that I have met with more than common difficulties in tracing the genealogy of these Albee families, on account of the many omissions to have mges., births, and deaths duly recorded. Similar ones were abundant in many other lineages, but in this case superabundant. I have done my best to be full, authentic, and accurate; but, if I have failed more or less to be so, I must be excused. I found absolute accuracy impossible.

ALDEN, Elliot[8] (Samuel,[7] Simeon,[6] Silas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]); mr.'s maiden name, Lovina Amsden; b. in Needham, April 28, 1817; m. *Susan Eliza Perry*, dr. of Josiah and Anna (Corbett) Perry, b. Mil., May 5, 1820; cer. in Mendon, Oct. 4, 1840, by the writer. Issue: —

Harriet Eliza, b. Mil., Sept 2, 1841; m. Walter Raleigh Barber, Jan. 5, 1864, who d. July 14, 1873. (See the family name Barber.)

Mr. Alden is now, I believe, the only man in town bearing this surname; and he is a lineal male descendant of the celebrated Hon. John Alden of Plymouth, who, at the age of 22 yrs., leaped from "The Mayflower," in front of his fellow-pilgrims, upon the time-honored Plymouth Rock. On good genealogical authority, I will trace the downward lineage. Hon. John[1] m. Priscilla Mullens, who bore him 4 sons and 4 drs. His eldest son John,[2] by 2d wf., Elizabeth Ewrill, had 12 chn., among whom was John.[3] John,[3] by wf. Elizabeth, had 12 chn., among whom was John.[4] John,[4] by 2d wf., Thankful Parker, had 11 chn. at Needham, among whom was Silas.[5] Silas,[5] by wf., Margaret Capron, had 10 chn. at Needham, among whom was Simeon.[6] Simeon,[6] by wf., Elizabeth Cook, had Samuel,[7] and prob. several others. Samuel,[7] by wf., Lovina Amsden, dr. of David and Martha (Hemenway) Amsden, b. in Framingham, July 18, 1793, had Harriet, Oct. 27, 1815, who d. Sept. 16, 1833, and our Elliot, b. April 28, 1817, as above. He has been too long and well known among us as a boot manufacturer, citizen, and member of society, also his

family, to need my personal commendation. I give his pedigree only to stimulate their virtues.*

ALDRICH. This name has never had very numerous representatives on our territory, yet several families. All the Aldriches of this general region are understood to be descendants of George and Catherine Aldrich, who were among the first settlers of Mendon: they were of Braintree. There, as I learn from Suffolk Reg. of Deeds, B. 5, p. 456, under date June 9, 1663, they sold out their homestead to Richard Thayer. Soon after this sale they removed to Mendon, where the hus. became conspicuous among the early proprietors of the new plantation. He d. there, March 1, 1682, leaving sons Joseph and Jacob, besides several drs. That I can connect all our Aldriches with these ancestors by unbroken lineal links, I do not expect, but will do so in cases not costing too much research.

ALDRICH, Moses[5] (George,[4] Moses,[3] Jacob,[2] George[1]), wf. *Mercy*, had seven chn. in Mendon. They res. a while in the vicinity of what we now call Spindleville, and had here, —

Zaccheus, b. Mil., April 26, 1780.

Cate, b. Mil., Jan. 23, 1782.

I do not find his death-date. Mrs. Mercy, his wid., d. Feb. 4, 1815. His gd. fr., as I trace his lineage, was Moses Aldrich, a celebrated Friends preacher. He was held in high esteem by his religious denomination, and travelled, as an approved minister, extensively in various parts of our now United States, the West Indies, and England. He was b. in April, 1690; m. Hannah White, April 23, 1711; and d. Sept. 9, 1761, in his 71st yr. It may interest some of his descendants to see the record of his chn. It is as follows: —

Abigail, b. Sept. 18, 1712; m. Thomas Smith, Jan., 1732.

Mary, b. Feb. 15, 1714; m. Israel Wilkinson.

George, b. Jan. 13, 1716; a man of distinction in Mendon.

Mercy, b. Nov. 25, 1717; m. Daniel Smith.

Robert, b. Dec. 11, 1719; gt. gd. fr. to our Milton and Addison Aldrich.

Lydia, b. Oct. 28, 1721; m. Joseph Allen.

Thomas, b. Feb. 24, 1723.

Caleb, b. Jan. 13, 1725; Judge Aldrich, Woonsocket; fr. of many Smithfield Aldriches.

Luke, b. Feb. 19, 1727.

Alice, b. May 2, 1730.

Moses, b. April 19, 1732.

Aaron, b. Jan. 3, 1743.

ALDRICH, Caleb, perhaps son of George, and gd. son of Moses the preacher, with wf. *Rhoda*, appear to have res. in the neighborhood of now Spindleville. They had two chn. recorded here. Mrs. Rhoda d. Sept. 23, 1805.

Halsey, b. Mil., July 12, 1797.

Rachel, b. Aug. 27, 1799.

No further traced.

ALDRICH, Timothy, of Up., m. *Mercy Parkhurst*, Feb. 13, 1800, and may have res. some little time in Mil. A descendant of George and Catherine, no doubt; but I cannot stop to trace him.

ALDRICH, Arnold, jun. (Arnold, Abel; I am unable to go further towards George[1]), b. May 29, 1811; m. *Diana Cass*, dr. of Edward and Hannah

* Two or three other Aldens res. transiently in town; but none of these now remain here.

(Darling) Cass, b. April 28, 1810; cer. Mendon, Sept. 30, 1832, by the writer. Issue:—

Lydia Ann, b. March 26, 1834; m. Loren Adams, March 25, 1855.

Mary Eliza, b. Sept. 15, 1835; m. Albert F. Swan, Dec. 27, 1865.

Emily Bisby, b. March 25, 1837; d. May 27, 1837.

Hannah Comstock, b. June 17, 1838; m. Samuel S. Bassett, Sept. 15, 1856.

Sarah Diana, b. Aug. 21, 1841; m. Ira Wilson, July 21, 1861.

Emily Irving, b. July 18, 1844; d. Oct. 22, 1844.

Johnson Legg, b. May 18, 1851; m. Olive Martha Brown, Jan. 25, 1874.

Amrintha, b. July 20, 1853; d. Sept. 21, 1853.

Industrious and honest strugglers in the common walks of life, often under the shadows of adversity, yet ever hopeful of a better life to come. The hus. and fr. d. very suddenly in Mendon, June 15, 1866. His wid. still survives, enduring the infirmities of age, but kindly cared for by her chn. Arnold Aldrich, sen., res. much in Mil., and Arnold, jun., more or less, but mostly in Mendon.

ALDRICH, Milton[7] (Scammell,[6] Luke,[5] Robert,[4] Moses the preacher,[3] Jacob,[2] George[1]), b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 22, 1828; mr.'s maiden name, Delilah Cook; m. *Eliza Ann Gardner*, dr. of Thomas and Nancy (Fairbanks) Gardner, b. in Mendon, Aug. 12, 1822; cer. in Ux., June 20, 1849, by Rev. Samuel Clarke. Issue:—

Andrew G., b. Mendon, March 22, 1850; painter; res. with parents.

Lewis F., b. Mendon, Jan. 1, 1852; m. Eva E. Norcross, Nov. 27, 1879.

Willie F., b. Mendon, Feb. 12, 1854; d. Feb. 13, 1859.

Sarah E., b. Mendon, Dec. 12, 1857; m. Charles E. Greene, Aug. 27, 1879.

Minnie F., b. Mendon, Nov. 10, 1860; d. Dec. 25, 1867.

Jennie C., b. Mendon, Jan. 27, 1864.

David S., b. Mendon, Nov. 24, 1868; d. July 13, 1870.

Mr. A. and family came into town a few yrs. ago from Mendon. They res. So. Main St., corner of Chapin. He is a painter by trade, as also his eldest son. A quiet, industrious, orderly, exemplary family.

ALDRICH, Addison[7] (Scammell,[6] Luke,[5] Robert,[4] Moses,[3] Jacob,[2] George[1]), b. Mendon, March 24, 1830; mr.'s maiden name, Delilah Cook; m. *Ann Sophie Gardner*, dr. of Thomas and Nancy (Fairbanks) Gardner, b. in Mendon, June 26, 1827; cer. Ux., April 8, 1857, by Rev. Samuel Clarke. No issue reported.

Mr. A. has res. several yrs. in Mil. He is well known for his faithful services as station baggage-master of the Mil. and Woonsocket Railroad, and in other useful positions. Family standing good.

ALDRICH, Dutee Thompson, son of Richard and Abigail (Thompson) Aldrich, and gd. son of Enoch (presumed to be a descendant of George and Catherine), b. in Burrillville, R.I., June 14, 1814; carpenter; m., 1st, *Lucinda Morse*, dr. of Eliakim and Lucinda (Pond) Morse, b. Franklin, June 13, 1809; cer. Oakham, July 24, 1836, by Rev. Mr. Kimball. Chn.:—

Henry R., b. Cumberland, R.I., Feb. 12, 1837; m. Lydia N. Dunn, Upton; 2d, L. Congdon.

Alvira M., b. Mendon, Sept. 12, 1839; d. Oakham, Sept. 7, 1840.

William H. K., b. Oakham, June 17, 1840; d. Leicester, Sept. 7, 1843.

Julia M., b. Oakham, July 31, 1842; m. C. F. Barnard, New York. She d. March 9, 1873.

William H., b. Leicester, Sept. 26, 1844; m. Laura Peirce, Whitinsville.

Susan S., b. Leicester, April 26, 1848; m. G. C. Fisk, Ashland.

JOHN N., b. Leicester, March 26, 1850; res. Pawtucket, R.I.

Mrs. Lucinda d. Mil., Jan. 3, 1863. Mr. A. m., 2d, *Susan H. (French) Hunt*, wid. of Philo Hunt, and dr. of Cyrus and Betsey (Willard) French, b. Grafton, Feb. 9, 1810; cer. Holl., Oct. 21, 1866; no. chn. An industrious, frugal, well-disposed family. Mr. Aldrich was, in his prime, quite an extensive builder on contract in this and the various towns where he dwelt, and still handles edged tools diligently.

Other Aldriches, unreported and untraced, mentioned in our directories: —

ALDRICH, CHARLES, bootmaker. Directory, 1856.
ALDRICH, EMULOUS, H. T. Ball's shop. Directory, 1856.
ALDRICH, JOSEPH, bootmaker. Directory, 1856.
ALDRICH, SETH R., bootmaker. Directory, 1856.
ALDRICH, WILLIAM, teamster. Directory, 1856.
ALDRICH, B. FARNUM, bootmaker. Directory, 1869, '78. '80.
ALDRICH, WILLIAM, carpenter. Directory, 1869, '72.
ALDRICH, WILLIAM, clerk. Directory, 1869, '75, '78.
ALDRICH, ANNA A., wid. of Ira. Directory, 1872, '75.
ALDRICH, CATHERINE E., housekeeper, Silver Hill. Directory, 1872, '75, etc.
ALDRICH, GEORGE I., boot-treer. Directory, 1872.
ALDRICH, JOHN N., carpenter. Directory, 1872, '78.
ALDRICH, WARREN L., boot-treer, carpenter. Directory, 1872, '75.
ALDRICH, WARREN W., bootmaker. Directory, 1872.
ALDRICH, WILLIAM, switchman, roadmaster. Directory, 1872, 75, '78, '80.
ALDRICH, FARNUM, sewing-machine agent. Directory, 1878, '80.
ALDRICH, WALTER A., sewing-machine agent. Directory, 1880.

ALEXANDER, JOHN WEATHERHEAD, son of John and Leonia (Weatherhead) Alexander, b. in Hebron, Sharon Co., N.Y., Aug. 4, 1809; m. *Elizabeth Thurber*, dr. of Ozias and Joanna (Cook) Thurber, b. Cumberland, R.I., Aug. 8, 1812; cer. Mendon, April 14, 1834, by Rev. John M. S. Perry. Issue: —

JOHN PERRY, b. Mendon, Sept. 6, 1836; m. Emma R. Parrin of Reading, Penn., in Texas, Feb. 10, 1879.

MARY JANE, b. Mendon, July 27, 1838; m. George A. Whiting, Ux., Sept. 27, 1863.

HARRIET JOANNA, b. Mendon, Sept. 21, 1839; m. Edwin Legg, Mil., Nov. 14, 1858.

LEONIA ELIZABETH, b. Mendon, May 18, 1850; m. Hiram H. Pierce, Hop., July 19, 1874.

Grandchn.: —

Willie Irving Legg, b. Aug. 1, 1859.

John Parrin Alexander, b. Nov. 9, 1879.

A worthy family. The hus. and fr., a boot-cutter, came to Mil. from Mendon about 26 yrs. ago. Mrs. Elizabeth, the wf. and mr., d. April 7, 1879.

ALEXANDER, HENRY M.; pedigree untraced; m. *Sally Jennings*, ptge., etc., untraced; cer. Nov. 11, 1827, by Rev. D. Long. One son recorded here; viz., —

HENRY, b. April 4, 1828.

ALEXANDER, NELL, boot-treer. In Directory of 1856.

ALEXANDER, EDMUND A., bootmaker. In Directory of 1869, '72.

ALLEN, EZRA[3] (Joseph,[2] Abraham[1]), b. Oct. 18, 1747; mr.'s maiden name, Lydia Aldrich, dr. of Mendon's celebrated Quaker preacher, Moses Aldrich.

He was one of 8 chn. b. to Joseph and Lydia (Aldrich) Allen of Mendon, and by trade a tanner. Of his wf. and chn. I have no information. At one time he dwelt on the Lewis B. Gaskill place, and I think d. there April 2, 1813.

ALLEN, ALVIN, bro. of EZRA, b. Oct. 21, 1756; owned and inhabited the Lewis B. Gaskill place many yrs. He was a clothier and miller, if I rightly remember. I cannot give the name of his wife, the particulars of his mge., or the birth-dates of his chn. I knew his two sons, *Robert* and *Nathan*. Our older citizens will recollect them well.

ALLEN, AHAZ, Esq., of Mendon was another of these bros., b. July 23, 1765; m. *Chloe French*, raised up a considerable family, and was a man of distinction in his day. I knew him and his bro. Alvin in their old age.

ALLEN, CALEB, V., in Mendon, was of the same stock. His fr.'s name was Caleb, a bro. of the foregoing, who d. before Caleb V. was b. Caleb V. was the fr. of Alexander H. Allen, mentioned in Part I. of this work, as my copyist of Mendon records, since decd.

ALLEN, JAMES, wf. *Phebe*, dwelt in our "City dist." as early as 1782; owned the mills there for some yrs., and had 3 chn. credited on our records:—

ETHAN, b. before they came into town.

JULIA ADAMS, b. here June 28, 1784.

NANCY, b. here July 10, 1786.

Whence they came and whither they went, I find no intimation.

ALLEN, SETH, came into town from Holl., June 15, 1784. Taking what Morse says of him in his hist. of Sherb. and Holl., and what I find on our records, he seems to have been the hus. of 2 wives, and fr. of a large family.

By 1st wf. *Elizabeth* he had —

SAMUEL, b. Holl., March 17, 1775; m. Mary Harwood, July 30, 1772.

EBENEZER, b. Holl., March 19, 1758; m. Esther ——.

AMOS, b. Holl., Jan. 23, 1763; m. Abigail Smith, Aug. 30, 1787.

CHLOE, b. Holl., June 12, 1766; m. Samuel Plumb, March 13, 1786.

Then, Mrs. Elizabeth having d., he m., 2d, *Mary Treadway*, April 27, 1769. Issue:—

JONATHAN, b. Holl., June 18, 1772.

SETH, b. Holl., March 14, 1774; m. Sally or Sarah Curtis.

JOHN, b. Holl., Nov. 8, 1778; d. Jan. 25, 1780.

DOLLY, b. Holl., April 9, 1780; burnt to death, Parkhurst's mill, Oct. 26, 1814.

LYDIA, b. Holl.; d. Mil., June 7, 1815.

TABITHA, b. Holl.; untraced.

MARTHA, b. Holl.; untraced.

TERRENCE, b. Holl., June 4, 1784; untraced.

HENRY, b. Mil., Dec. 19, 1787; m. Lucinda ——.

ELIADA, b. Mil.; d. Nov. 19, 1793.

What part of the town this Seth Allen inhabited I am not informed, nor of his death-date, nor that of his wf. Mary; nor am I master of the family records of his chn., except a fragment of his son Henry's. I presume this must be the man, who, by dealing largely in white-oak timber for wheel-spokes, acquired the sobriquet "Spoke" Allen. His wf. Lucinda perished with his sister Dolly Allen in the fire which destroyed Nathan Parkhurst's saw and clothier mill, Oct. 26, 1814. I became acquainted with him on first coming into town, 1824. He was somewhat eccentric in his habits, and noted for his always naked, sunburnt throat and bosom. Whether he ever m. again, I am uncertain. He

manufactured varnish, and built a domicile on now Purchase St., north of Dea. Ithiel Parkhurst's, where afterwards Israel Mowry lived and d. But of his subsequent history I only learn that he emigrated to Ct. or N.Y., and d. there.

ALLEN, EBENEZER, with wf. *Esther* and child Melatiah, came into town from Holl., May 26, 1784. I infer that this Ebenezer must have been the son of Seth and Elizabeth above noted. No further traced.

ALLEN, SAMUEL, and wf. *Sarah*, with 2 chn., are recorded to have come from Medfield, May 28, 1783. Who this Samuel was, or in what part of the town he dwelt, I get no intimation. Among his chn. were *Polly* and *Samuel, jun.* There was a Polly Allen, prob. the same, who d. here March 18, 1828. Also a Sarah Allen, who may have been her mr., Nov. 13, 1842, a. 78 yrs. This family no further traced.

ALLEN, LEWIS, pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Rhoda Hayward*, dr. of Joel and Ruth (Morse) Hayward, *alias* Howard, b. Jan. 5, 1792; cer. April 24, 1811, by Adams Chapin, Esq. Issue: —

JAMES MORSE, b. April 20, 1812; d. Dec. 22, 1812.

WHIPPLE, b. May 16, 1813; m., 1st, Amanda Taft; 2d, Ednah S. Huse.

EZRA ALDRICH, b. Sept. 1, 1817; d. young.

AUSTIN, b. April 20, 1820; d. young.

LUCY, b.; d. Jan. 17, 1821.

There was a 6th child b.; but I find no name, or date of birth or death. Nor have I found the fr.'s death-date. The venerable wf. and mr. d. in this town Aug. 5, 1881, at the advanced age of 89 yrs. 6 mos. and 20 ds. What an unwritten volume has her life been of toils, trials, bereavements, and sorrows! She was kindly cared for in the home of Mrs. Mary E. Littlefield on Purchase St., near Haven.

ALLEN, WHIPPLE, son of Lewis and Rhoda (Howard) Allen, b. May 16, 1813; m., 1st, *Amanda N.*, dr. of Jason Taft, b. Ux., July 22, 1819; cer. in Ux., June 7, 1843. Issue: —

HENRY CLAY, b. Ux., Nov. 11, 1844; d. Lowell, April 17, 1849.

ARTHUR WEBB, b. Lowell, Nov. 16, 1847; d. Lowell, Dec. 8, 1847.

JOSEPHINE HENRIETTA, b. Lowell, June 15, 1849; d. Lowell, Sept. 17, 1849.

Mrs. Amanda d. in Lowell, Feb. 22, 1851, in her 32d yr. The hus. m., 2d, *Ednah S. Huse*, b. Gilmantown, N.H., June 22, 1826; cer. Jan. 3, 1860. Issue: —

EZRA WHIPPLE, b. Fairmount, Dec. 7, 1860.

CHARLES HOWARD, b. Milford, Dec. 16, 1864.

The hus. and fr. d. at Mendon, in impoverished circumstances, Oct. 20, 1878. His wid. and their two chn. survive him in sadness.

ALLEN, GEORGE W., and wf. *Charlotte*, stand on our records credited with chn. as follows: —

WILLIAM NATHANIEL, b. March 9, 1829.

MARY CLIMENA, b. Jan. 5, 1832.

MOSES BARNARD, b. Jan. 12, 1836.

BETSEY JANE, b. Aug. 18, 1837; d. April 23, 1843.

HANNAH MARIA, b. Feb. 11, 1840.

ABIGAIL AMELIA, b. March 11, 1842; d. Feb. 1, 1843.

No report having been recd., or other information concerning this family, I must leave the record as it stands on the town-books.

MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES, ETC.

ALLEN, Elijah M., farmer, near Holl. road, 1856; wf. *Mary A.*, son John, b. July 16, 1841.

ALLEN, Ephraim J., tin-worker, 1856, '69.

ALLEN, Seth, marble-engraver, 1856.

ALLEN, Thomas, laborer, 1856.

ALLEN, Albert S., bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

ALLEN, Edward L., baker, 1869.

ALLEN, Edwin G., bootmaker, 1869, '72.

ALLEN, Ethan J., tinsmith, 1869.

ALLEN, Frank E., tinsmith, 1869.

ALLEN, Oliver J., bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

ALLEN, George W., machinist, 1872, '75.

ALLEN, L. L., mason, 1872.

ALLEN, Lucretia, wid. of Ellery, 1872, '75, '78, '80.

ALLEN, Nicholas I., machinist, 1872, '75.

ALLEN, Charles, helper in Clement & Co.'s factory, 1875.

ALLEN, Miss Nettie R., house Taylor, near Main, 1875.

ALLEN, Miner, farmer, house near Hopedale, 1878.

ALLEN, Lucy A., wid. of Ruel C., 1878, '80.

ALLEN, Mrs. Sophia, boarding-house, Green-Mill River, 1878.

ALLEN, Philip A., bottler, L. R. Hazard, 1880.

ALLEN, Lyman, from Westminster; res. a while in Hopedale, and there m. *Angeline Chapman*, Nov. 18, 1855; cer. by Rev. William S. Heywood. They res. in Westminster.

ALVERSON, George, and wf. *Experience*, with chn. *George* and *Rufus*, are recorded to have come into town from Sutton, Feb. 12, 1789, taken in by John Sprague. No more mentioned.

ANDREWS, Ebenezer, cordwainer, and wf. *Hannah*, with chn. *Darius* and *Polly*, were among the multitude warned out of town in 1791. No further traced.

ANDREWS, Joshua, and wf. *Martha*, with chn., *William*, *Elizabeth*, *Polly*, and *Edmund*, came into town from Hop., Oct. 25, 1786. He had a son *John* b. here, who d. Sept. 24, 1798. Mrs. Martha, the mr., d. Sept. 18, 1798. The hus. m., 2d, *Trial White;* cer. June 13, 1799, by Samuel Jones, Esq.; no chn. *Edmund* set. in Hop. He m. Sally Waer, April 13, 1815. *Betsey*, alias *Elizabeth*, m. a Mr. Kimball. She d. April, 1834, a. 54 yrs. Joshua, the fr., d. March 11, 1823. His wid., Mrs. Trial, survived him over 20 yrs., residing, a wid. much respected, in a little house on Purchase St., a short distance north of Goldsmith's boot-factory. She d. June 1, 1844.

ANDREWS, William, wf. *Hannah*, from Hop., came into town Nov. 15, 1786. Either this or another Wm. Andrews is recorded to have m. *Polly Hayden*, May 25, 1800; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue:—

John Allen, b. Sept. 30, 1802; and Elmira, b. July 2, 1808.

Wm. Andrews d. Feb. 1, 1811. The family no further traced.

ANDREW, Sylvester, son of Thomas R. and Sarah (Mott) Andrew, b. in the village of Arkwright, Coventry, R.I., Aug. 17, 1813; machinist; m. *Eliza Tennant Hammond*, b. Wickford, No. Kingston, R.I., Jan. 9, 1816; cer. Oct. 19, 1836, by Rev. Henry Tatem. Issue:—

Abby H., b. Coventry, R.I., Oct. 1, 1837; d. at the a. of 1 day.

SARAH E., b. Coventry, R.I., Aug. 20, 1838; d. Aug. 26, a. 14 ds.

SYLVESTER A., b. Coventry, R.I., Oct. 14, 1839; d. Oct. 13, 1842, a. 3 yrs.

SAMUEL A., b. Coventry, R.I., Oct. 16, 1841; m. Matilda E. Holt, July 21, 1861.

THOMAS W., b. Harrisville, R.I., Nov. 11, 1843; d. Nov. 11, 1844, a. 1 yr.

AMEY T., b. Fiskville, R.I., Aug. 2, 1845; m. James H. Dexter, Nov. 26, 1868, and d. April 4, 1869.

FRANCIS L., b. Norwich, Ct., Nov. 15, 1847; m. Hattie E. Adams, Nov. 25, 1874.

SYLVESTER M., b. Plainfield, Ct., Sept. 25, 1849; d. Feb. 14, 1850, a. 4 mos. 19 ds.

MARY A., b. Norwich, Ct., April 4, 1851; d. Jan. 14, 1853, a. 1 yr. 8 mos. 10 ds.

JOHN E., b. Whitinsville, Mass., Jan. 14, 1856; unm.; mechanic; res. Hopedale.

EDGAR A., b. Whitinsville, Mass., Feb. 25, 1859; unm.; mechanic; res. Hopedale.

EVA A. COLVIN, b. Harrisville, R.I., Oct. 27, 1864; d. Sept. 9, 1865, a. 11 mos. 14 ds.

The parents have res. in Hopedale and vicinity for the last 10 yrs. They were worthy people of the Methodist persuasion. He was a member of the Odd Fellows' fraternity; received their customary aid and provident generosity during his last distressing sickness; d. April 29, 1881, a. 68 yrs. 8 mos. and 16 ds., and was honorably buried with the rites of his order, May 1 ensuing, in the Hopedale cemetery.

ANDREW, SAMUEL ALMON, son of Sylvester and Eliza T. (Hammond) Andrew, b. Coventry, R.I., Oct. 16, 1841; machinist; m. *Matilda E. Holt*, dr. of William and Jane (Crocker) Holt, b. Uxbridge, Dec. 7, 1843; cer. July 21, 1861, at Woonsocket, R.I., by Rev. John Boyden. Issue:—

SYLVESTER ALMON, b. Whitinsville, Sept. 20, 1861; d. a. 6 weeks.

ALMON HAMMOND, b. Whitinsville, March 27, 1863.

CHARLES HERBERT, b. Woonsocket, R.I., April 4, 1869.

MABEL FRANCES, b. Hopedale, Oct. 17, 1871.

This family has res. in Hopedale 10 yrs., is ingenious, industrious, and orderly, and promises well for the future.

ANDREW, FRANCIS LEWELLEN, son of Sylvester and Eliza T. (Hammond) Andrew, b. Norwich, Ct., Nov. 15, 1847; mechanic and trader; m. *Hattie Elizabeth Adams*, dr. of John F. and Anna E. (Oatley) Adams, b. in So. Kingston, R.I., Aug. 2, 1856; cer. Nov. 25, 1874, by Rev. Charles J. White. Issue:--

SAMUEL SYLVESTER, b. Mendon, Sept. 24, 1876.

GRACE, b. Pawtucket, R.I., Nov. 12, 1877.

Of worthy kindred and character.

ANSON, HENRY, son of Manning W. and Susan A. (Thwing) Anson, b. Uxbridge, Jan. 30, 1828; m., 1st, *Amanda M. Mowry*, dr. of Caleb and Virtue Mowry, b. Ux. 1826; cer. So. Walpole, Oct. 21, 1855, by Rev. Mr. Adams. Issue:—

NETTIE, b. Rockford, Ill., Jan. 28, 1860; m. Albert W. Strong, Mich., Nov. 19, 1878.

Mrs. Amanda died at So. Walpole, March 21, 1877: the hus. m., 2d, *Lizzie A. Hinds* (she having been successively the wid. of three husbands, all of

whom d. from wounds recd. in the army during the late war), and Anson himself now drawing a pension on acct. of a wound recd. in that war); cer. Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov. 19, 1877, by Rev. John Smith. No. chn. Mr. Anson has worked as mechanic; but, his health requiring exercise in the open air, he has mostly been employed in driving peddler's teams in various parts of the country. He drove a bread-team here in Mil. 5 yrs. He has res., first and last, in Uxbridge, Boston, Mil., Rockford (Ill.), etc.

ANSON, EZEKIEL WOOD, younger bro. of the preceding, b. in Uxbridge, Nov. 7, 1836; machinist; m. *Mary Ann Hartles*, adopted dr. of F. S. Cox and wf., b. in Warwickshire, Eng., 1841; cer. at Hopedale, May 6, 1861, by the writer. See the name Cox. Issue: —

FREDERICK STEVENS, b. Hopedale, May 17, 1862; res. with Mrs. F. S. Cox, Hopedale, later in the Centre.

Ezekiel W. enlisted, Aug. 5, 1862, for 3 yrs. in Regt. 36, Co. F, and lost his life for his country, by malarious fever, at Louisville, Ky., Aug. 24, 1863. See War Record of the Rebellion, Chap. VIII. His wid. m., for 2d hus., Moody T. Trevett; and they res. in Mil., having several chn.

These Ansons came of a worthy parentage.

I suspect our Atwoods to have been descendants of Stephen of Eastham, who had sons, Eldad, Medad, and Benjamin; but I cannot specify lineal links.

ATWOOD, ELDAD, and wf. *Martha*, appear to have had chn. recorded in Hop., and may have sometime had others there, or on our territory, or in adjacent localities. The following-named are presumed to be their chn.: —

LYDIA, b. uncertain, 1735; m. Moses Chapin, Dec. 9, 1756.

DEBORAH, b. uncertain, 1737; m. Josiah Kilburn, March 18, 1756.

JOHN, b. Hop., April 6, 1745; not traced.

ELDAD, jun., twin, b. Hop., Oct. 22, 1747; m. Catherine Winch.

MARY, twin, b. Hop., Oct, 22, 1747; not traced, nor the family further.

ATWOOD, BENJAMIN, poss. son of Eldad and Martha; birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Joanna Cheney*, dr. of William, jun., and Joanna (Thayer) Cheney, b. May 26, 1728; cer. March 13, 1754, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

ANNA, b. in our Precinct, Sept. 11, 1754; m. Stephen Nelson, May 29, 1776.

EBENEZER, b. in our Precinct, Dec. 31, 1756; m. wid. Melatiah Sumner, Nov. 11, 1779.

SILENCE, b. in our Precinct, Nov. 27, 1758; m. John Beal, Oct. 19, 1780.

Joanna, the mr., was recd. to the Cong. ch. here in 1744, and her hus. to the so-called first seal thereof, Nov. 4, 1754. He d. between 1758 and 1766, and his wid. m., 2d, David Cutler; cer. Dec. 28, 1768, by Rev. A. Frost.

ATWOOD, Wid. MARGARET (antecedents unknown), m. Isaac Thayer of Bell., Aug. 18, 1761.

ATWOOD, ELDAD, son of Eldad and Martha, with wf. *Cate*, are recorded to have come into town from Medway, May 20, 1784. No. chn. are credited to them. What his relationship was to Benjamin is not apparent. They dwelt many yrs. on the west side of the road to Holl., just above the Keith place. He d. Nov. 22, 1814. His wid. d. Nov. 22, 1834, a. 93 yrs. See abandoned home-sites.

AVERY, ORLANDO, son of John and Sophia W. (Dillingham) Avery, b. in Ararat, Pa., Oct. 14, 1843; m. *Alice J. Gilson*, dr. of Jonathan and Almira (Harris) Gilson, b. in Mechanic Falls, Me., Dec. 15, 1841; cer. in Geneseo, Ill., July 28, 1867, by Rev. Mr. Bricket. Issue: —

MOSES HARRIS, b. Mil., Feb. 15, 1870.

Mr. A. and wf. have res. in Mil. some thirteen yrs. Religious, social, and business standing excellent.

BACON, HENRY S., son of Levi and Mary J. (Stevens) Bacon, b. Maine, name of town not given, April 10, 1835; insurance agt.; m. *Mary E. Daman*, dr. of Lincoln and Betsey W. (Sherman) Daman, b. Marshfield, date not given; cer. in Marshfield, Nov., 1859, by Rev. Mr. Chapman. Issue: —

LIZZIE M., b. Saco, Me., Aug., 1860.

MYRTIE L., b. Mil., Sept., 1862; d. March, 1863.

GERTIE W., b. Mil., Dec., 1872.

Res., at various periods, Marshfield (Mass.), Saco (Me.), Boston, Upton, and Mil. I have given this family record as recd. If it were more specific, I might have conformed it more nearly to the general style of my work; but, if it suits the family, I must not complain. Mr. Bacon appears in our Directory of 1869; and, according to the date of his first child, 1862, must have res. in town nearly 20 yrs. He has been engaged in several branches of business enterprise.

BACON, DANIEL, and wf. *Hannah* are credited with 2 chn. b. here; viz., —

DANIEL OTIS, b. Nov. 3, 1827.

FRANCIS HENRY, b. Dec. 7, 1843. Family no further traced.

BACON, Wid. ELIZABETH, is specified in Directory for 1872.

BACON, MARY, wid. of George, appears in Directory for 1880.

BACON, Miss NELLIE V., house Church Place. Directory for 1880.

Not a common name among us at any period, and no records reported but that of Henry S.

BAGLEY, ANDREW, son of Abel and Polly (Cram) Bagley, b. in Brookfield, Vt., Nov. 29, 1825; boot-crimper and farmer; m. *Annette Blood*, dr. of Shattuck and Fidelia (Taylor) Blood, b. Weathersfield, Vt., Jan. 1, 1830; cer. Mil., Feb. 13, 1850, by S. Whitman. Their chn.: —

WILLIAM F., b. Mil., 1853; res. Philadelphia, Penn.

LUCIUS F., b. Mil., Jan. 9, 1854; m. Hattie E. Packard, Jan. 9, 1878; res. Mil.

CHARLES H., b. Mil., Jan. 7, 1856; now a soldier in the U. S. reg. army.

ANDREW E., b. Mil., Feb. 7, 1858; res. in Audubon, Iowa.

HERBERT A., b. Mil., April 23, 1860; res. Mil.

NETTIE F., b. Mil., Feb. 25, 1862; res. Mil.

HARRY A., b. Mil., Oct. 2, 1867; res. Mil.

WALTER L., b. Mil., July 29, 1869; res. Mil.

MARY E., b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1871; res. Mil.

AUSTIN M., b. Mil., Jan. 19, 1873; res. Mil.

SUSIE G., b. Mil., Jan. 18, 1875; res. Mil.

BRENT M., b. Mil., May 14, 1877; d. June 18, 1878.

Grandchn.: —

ANNIE, dr. of Lucius and Hattie Bagley, b. Mil., Oct. 26, 1878.

ERNEST, son of Lucius and Hattie Bagley, b. Mil., Oct. 6, 1879.

A remarkably large family for this degenerate age, and one of exemplary worth, too. Mr. B. came from Brookfield, Vt., Oct. 6, 1847, and has ever since dwelt in town. He and his household have not eaten the bread of idleness, but with true homespun usefulness served themselves and the general community.

BAILEY, THOMAS, of Hull, cordwainer; pedigree not traced; m. *Anna Loring* of Hull, June 29, 1726. Their chn.: —

THOMAS, jun., b. Hull, Oct. 7, 1726; d. Jan. 11, 1726-27.

THOMAS, jun., 2d, b. Hull, Oct. 12, 1727.
ANNA, b. Hull, July 24, 1730; d., date not given.
JOSHUA, b. Hull, Dec. 14, 1733; m. Dorcas Binney, Oct. 14, 1764.
SAMUEL, b. Hull, Aug. 11, 1737.
LORING, b. Hull, May 11, 1740.
ANNA, b. Hull, Jan. 4, 1742.

I present this family record because Thomas Bailey of Hull may have res. in what is now Mil. Centre about the time our Precinct was incorporated (which is not provable); and because, whether he res. here a short time or not, he was certainly a landowner here for some yrs. He and his bro.-in-law, Amos Binney, jointly owned what became the Twitchell farm, containing about 100 acres. This fully appears from a deed given to Ephraim Twitchell, jun., Aug. 2, 1748, by Rev. Amariah Frost, under a power of attorney from Bailey and Binney, which sets forth as follows: —

"A certain tract or *piece* of land lying and being in Mendon aforesaid, by virtue of a power of attorney from Thomas Bailey, Cordwainer, and Amos Binney, Mariner, both of Hull in ye County of Suffolk in New England, as may appear from ye records of ye County of Worcester, recorded July 20, 1748 &c.; containing by estimation near a hundred acres more or less; it being ye land laid out, June 28, 1707, for John Peck by ye proprietors of said town of Mendon, which was ye whole of his fifth division of land and twelve acres and a half of John Sprague's daughter, that belonged to his daughter on ye Southeast corner of Maggomisco Hill; butted and bounded as follows, — Southerly part on Nathel. Morse land and part on Common 63 rods to ye Southeast corner, being a stake and stones, ye Southwest corner being a black oak tree marked; West on Common (now on a road) 120 rods to a white oak tree, being ye Northwest corner; Northerly on Common (now *adjoining* to and running with the Southermost line of Peter Norcross land), 48 rods to a walnut tree, being ye Northeast corner; then running Easterly part on Seth Chapin's land, part on James Lovett's land, part on Common (but now partly on Isaac Parkhurst's land and partly on Daniel Sumner's land) 226 rods to ye Southeast corner, the first mentioned bound, — *Excepting out of said lands three quarters of an acre for a Burying place, as shall be agreed upon most commodious therefor, upon Nathel. Morses line.*" This land is so historic that I have thought proper to make the foregoing extract thus full and explicit. I suppose that Thomas Bailey and family d. in Hull at unascertained dates.

BAILEY, WILLIAM, son of Eliphalet of Hop., etc. No further traced; b. in Natick, Aug. 12, 1792; m. *Ann H. Tilton* of Hop., April 9, 1822; cer. by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. She was a dr. of Abraham and Hannah (Homer) Tilton; b. 1798; and claimed honorable descent, in one of her parental lines, from the celebrated John Alden of Plymouth. William Bailey's father was b. in Hop., 1745; m. perhaps in Natick, and shortly after enlisted into the Revolutionary army 1776. He took his wf. with him into camp, who, while in Canada, or the frontier region, bore him a dr., and died there. Re-enlisting, he obtained a furlough of 40 ds., took his motherless infant in his arms, footed it from Niagara Falls, N.Y., to Natick, placed his child in good care, and returned duly to his post. After the war closed, he came home, m. *Abigail Chote*, and became the father of ten chn., one only of whom survives at this writing; viz., our townsman Eliphalet Bailey in N. Purchase. Other family names and dates, desirable to know, not furnished me. [Eliphalet d. May 10, 1878, after the foregoing was written.]

William Bailey came to this town in 1819 or 1820; entered into copartnership with the late Hon. Lee Claflin for the manufacture of boots and shoes, and prosecuted the same at the place now occupied by John Goldsmith on Purchase St. They were among our pioneers in this business, and pushed it successfully on the then possible scale of operations, combining therewith the purchase and tanning of raw hides for their own use. The chn. of William and *Ann Homer (Tilton) Bailey* were 6 in number; viz., —

WILLIAM HOMER, b. Jan. 27, 1824; served 3 yrs. in the war of the Rebellion; res. Westborough.

GEORGE TILTON, b. July 1, 1825.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS, b. April 5, 1827; bootmaker; res. Mil., Congress St.; m.; no chn.

DANIEL METCALF, b. June 30, 1828; d. Dec. 18, 1834.

AMELIA OSBORNE, b. Aug. 18, 1830; m. Ebenr. Belknap, Mil., April 5, 1846.

THOMAS BUCKLIN, b. Aug. 12, 1832; our well-known druggist on Main St.

The fr. d. April 27, 1834. The mr., much beloved in the domestic and social circles, removed from N. Purchase in 1850 to Fruit St., where she had purchased a comfortable home, and d. there July 29, 1873.

BAILEY, ELIPHALET, youngest son of Eliphalet, the Revolutionary soldier, and br. of William, as above stated, was b. Natick, Sept. 15, 1801; came young to Mil.; and m., for his 1st wf., *Miranda*, dr. of Jona. and Penelope (Dewing) Bowker, Jan. 30, 1825; cer. by Rev. Herman Perry. She bore him 2 chn., and d. Feb. 24, 1833. He m., 2d., Wid. *Mary Gould* of Hop., Nov. 25, 1838; cer. by Rev. Nathaniel Spindel. She bore him a dr., and d. Sept. 7, 1840. He m., 3d, *Zobedia Tombs* of Hop., April 8, 1841; cer. by Rev. D. Long. His res. has always been in the N. Purchase, and for many yrs. on Haven St., near Hop. line; his general occupation that of a bootmaker; and his standing in society that of an upright, peaceable citizen. His recorded chn. are these: —

JAMES DEWING, b. Dec. 1, 1825; bootmaker; m. *Abigail R. Tyler*, June 6, 1849.

ADELIA MARIE, b. Feb. 2, 1830; m. Alpheus Bridges, Holl., Sept., 1850.

MARY, b. May 21, 1839; d. Jan. 21, 1843.

ADIN BALLOU, b. May 19, 1843; d. Sept. 1, 1862.

The fr. res. in Mil. 65 yrs., and d., after a long decline, of paralysis, May 10, 1878, aged 77 yrs. and 7 mos., — the last of ten bros. and sis. His wid., Mrs. Zobedia, still survives.

BAILEY, WILLIAM HOMER[3] (William,[2] Eliphalet[1]), bootmaker; b. Jan. 27, 1829; m. *Alzina A. Ball*, dr. of Henry and Betsey (Lincoln) Ball, b. Dec. 7, 1827; cer. June 1, 1845, by the writer. Their chn.: —

ANNA ROZILLA, b. Mil., May 31, 1846; d. young.

WILLIAM H., b. Mil., Sept. 9, 1849; m. July 9, 1877; 1 child.

WALTER G., b Mil., Feb. 4, 1857; m. Oct. 17, 1877.

EDWARD M., b. Mil., Aug. 5, 1858.

D. ALTON, b. Upton, Feb. 11, 1861; d. young.

EVA, b. Upton, April 2, 1867; d. young.

The family have res. in Mil., Worthington (O.), Upton, Westboro', etc.

BAILEY, THOMAS BUCKLIN[3] (William,[2] Eliphalet[1]), b. Aug. 12, 1832; druggist, Mil.; m. *Mary Jane Carpenter* in Dudley, March 15, 1859; cer. by Rev. Henry Pratt. She was a dr. of Dea. Charles Carpenter and Polly (Perry), his wf., formerly inhabitants of Dudley, and was b. there Oct. 20, 1839. Their chn. were, —

Frederick Irving, b. Dec. 19, 1859.

Arthur Carpenter, b. March 17, 1863; d. Feb. 24, 1864.

Jennie Amelia, b. April 12, 1866; d. April 17, 1876.

Everett Arthur, b. April 16, 1870; d. April 15, 1876.

Thomas Wendell, b. April 27, 1877.

Dr. Bailey has been too long and well known in town as an enterprising apothecary, fancy-goods dealer, and citizen, to need characterization on this page; as also his wf. in the domestic and social circles.

BAILEY, James Dewing[3] (Eliphalet,[2] Eliphalet[1]), b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1825; mr.'s maiden name, Miranda Bowker; m. *Abigail R. Tyler*, dr. of Daniel and Ellen Thusa (Polly) Tyler, b. 1830; cer. Hopedale, June 6, 1849, by the writer. Issue:—

James Oscar, b. Mil., March 6, 1850; m. Mary Lizzie Bowers, Oct. 20, 1875.

Edgar L., b. Mil., Jan. 15, 1852; m. Eva Ellen Jewell, July 26, 1876.

Ezra Hunt, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1853; m. Lorrette Benson, Jan. 18, 1879.

Industrious, intelligent, enterprising, and orderly people.

BAILEY, Charles Augustus[3] (William,[2] Eliphalet[1]), b. April 5, 1827; mr.'s maiden name, Ann Homer Tilton. He has a wf., but no chn. Occupation, bootmaker. No record recd. from him.

BAILEY, Henry J., a descendant, I presume, of Eliphalet,[1] a painter by trade, and boards with T. E. Morse. No record handed in.

Prob. several others of the name have, at various times, res. more or less transiently in town.

BAILEY, Joseph, son of Thomas and Rachel, b. Trowbridge, Eng., Dec. 1, 1825; came to America in the summer of 1842; res. at Webster till 1844, then at Winstead, Ct., till 1848, then at Millville a few months till June, 1849, and then set. at Hopedale; an ingenious mechanic in the line of cabinet-joining, etc., — a useful and worthy man. His wf. was a dr. of Joseph and Sarah Paul, Barford, St. Martin's, Eng., where she was b. Jan. 28, 1827. She came to America, and the bridal pair were m. at Hopedale, Jan. 16, 1854; cer. by the writer. Their chn. are,—

Joseph Herbert, b. in the "Old House," Sept. 5, 1856; now in Colorado.

Sarah Georgiena, b. in the "Old House," Sept. 26, 1861.

Mrs. Sarah d. instantaneously, in an epileptic fit, May 8, 1880.

BAILEY, George William, merchandise broker; b. March 24, 1826, in Newton Moor, Cheshire, Eng.; son of James and Mary Ann (Lee) Bailey; m. *Harriet Carter*, dr. of Edward and Mary (Livingston) Carter, b. Manchester, Eng., March 22, 1827; cer. at Mottram Old Church, Cheshire, Eng., Nov. 9, 1845, by Rev. D. Seddon, vicar. Their chn.:—

Henry James, b. Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire, Eng., Dec. 26, 1846.

Mary Ella, b. West Medway, Mass., Nov. 9, 1849.

Both these chn. married; to whom not reported; 1 child each.

The parents have res. in this town since 1858.

BAKER. Only a few transient dwellers in town of this name. Among these were, —

BAKER, Elbridge Gerry, tinsmith, Hopedale, 1844 or 1845; wf., *Charlotte H.*; and inft. son, *Clinton H.*, b. in Taunton, April 27, 1843. Went to California in quest of gold, and is said to have d. there.

BAKER, Lyman, came to Hopedale from Westminster a widower, with young dr. Lucinda; afterwards emigrated to Minnesota. No further traced.

Peter and Josiah Ball, bros., were natives of Watertown. In 1731, June 5, they purchased and took a deed, from William Brewer of Boston, of several adjacent parcels of land in the No. Purchase, east of Maspenock Pond, *alias* Long Pond, bordering northerly on Hop. line. All the parcels amounted to 199 acs. 112 rods; to which belonged a mansion-house, and also a 2-ac. right in the town's common lands after the 8th division. For all this estate they paid Brewer £180. At that time the No. Purchase road towards Hop. was an imperfect bridle-path. But the selectmen of Mendon laid a three-rod way that very yr., Oct. 5, which commenced at Hop. line, and extended as far south as the Ellis Sumner place, perhaps a little this side. There it was suspended for some yrs. Peter Ball, who, by division with his brother Josiah, owned the north-easterly portion of the lands bought of Brewer as far north as the Haven place, finally sold out to different purchasers, and located himself in Southborough. There he became the progenitor of all the Ball families in that region of towns. I think Hon. Phinehas Ball of Worcester and Rev. George S. of Upton are among his descendants; also, through one branch, the celebrated musical chief, Eben Tourjée.

Josiah Ball, sen., gradually absorbed into his possession parcel after parcel of adjacent land, till he must have owned several hundred acres, which he settled on his chn. But I am told that none of it now remains in the hands of his descendants, at least in the male line. I may here commence his family tabulation. The old ancestral immigrant was John Ball, from Wiltshire, Eng. He was admitted freeman in 1750, had a son John, he a son John, and he a son Joseph, who was the father of our Josiah, sen. All these were of Watertown, except, perhaps, the first John. So I proceed.

BALL, JOSIAH, sen.[5] (Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. March 2, 1712–13; m. *Rachel*, dr. of Dr. John and Mehetabel (Holbrook) Corbett, b. Aug. 1, 1717; cer. July 3, 1733, by (prob.) Rev. Joseph Dorr. Their chn.: —

JOSIAH, jun., b. April 13, 1742; m. Sarah Palmer, July 5, 1770; 2d, Sarah Claflin, June 16, 1799.

ELIJAH, b. Feb. 1, 1743; m. Joanna French, Dec. 19, 1770.

MARY, b. March 2, 1749; m. Jonathan Jones, 3d, May 7, 1767.

LAZARUS, b. March 19, 1751 (?); physician; m. Lydia Cleveland; date not found.

Mrs. Rachel d. Dec. 18, 1751. The hus. m., 2d, wid. *Sarah White;* cer. Oct. 23, 1758, by Rev. A. Frost. Josiah, sen., d. Oct. 28, 1791. He was a man of influence in his day, and left a large est. to his chn. Josiah, jun., inherited the main homestead, and succeeded reputably to his father's enterprise and wealth. Elijah emigrated to Orange, and set. there. Lazarus studied medicine, and practised for some years in Weston and vicinity, but does not seem to have been very successful in his profession, or in the acquisition of worldly substance. Josiah, sen., owned one slave, whose name was Andrew Dewner, sometimes written Duno. This slave was presented to him by a friend in Boston, when a baby only 4 weeks old. He brought the little fellow all the way from Boston on horseback, nourishing him at intervals out of a nursing-bottle. It was after bedtime when he reached home, and, finding his wife asleep, he carefully laid the sleeping babe on her bed, while he cared for his tired horse. Before he returned, little Andrew awoke, and, by his lusty cries, frightened Mrs. Rachel half out of her senses, she being utterly surprised by the mysterious demonstration. But her husband presently appeared for her relief, and explained the phenomenon. Andrew grew up a faithful and trustworthy servant, received

his freedom at 21 yrs. of age, and a nice horse for a present. That horse he exchanged for a slave-girl in Marlboro', whose name was Rose, and whom he made his wife. (See his family record in its place.) Josiah, sen., gave Andrew a little homestead, comprising 12 acres of land and a small dwelling-house. There he was still dwelling in old age when I first came in to town, 57 yrs. ago.*

BALL, JOSIAH, jun.[6] (Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. April 13, 1742; m., 1st, *Sarah Palmer*, b. in Upton, March 15, 1744; cer. July 5, 1770, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

RACHEL, b. Friday, March 15, 1771, 9 o'clock A.M.; m. John Despeaux, July 5, 1807.

ASENATH, b. Sat., June 6, 1772, 10 o'clock P.M.; m. Daniel Carter, May 23, 1814.

SARAH, b. Wed., Nov. 15, 1775, 2 o'clock P.M.; d. July 14, 1791.

ZENAS, b. Sund., July 12, 1778, 1 o'clock A.M.; m. Mary Sumner, June 12, 1806.

HANNAH, b. March 19, 1781; m. Isaac Holmes, Hop., May 1, 1803; d. Aug. 21, 1818.

ABNER, b. March 24, 1784; d. Feb. 19, 1805.

Mrs. Sarah d. July 6, 1791. The hus. m., 2d, *Mrs. Sarah Claflin* of Hop., wid. of Ebenezer; cer. June 16, 1799, by Saml. Jones, Esq. This 2d wf. d. June 19, 1824. Josiah, jun., d. March 11, 1835, a. 93 yrs.

BALL, ELIJAH[6] (Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Feb. 1, 1743; m., 1st, *Joanna French*, dr. of Dea. Abijah and Joanna French, b. here Aug. 22, 1752; cer. 19, 1770, by Rev. A. Frost. Set. in Orange. Their chn.:—

Prudence, *Fordyce*, *Nancy*, *Josiah*, and *Lucinda*. Dates of birth not ascertained.

Among the few facts of this family record that have come to my knowledge are the following: that Elijah Ball was m. to his 2d wf., *Prudence Rice*, Feb. 20, 1786; that in 1793 he quit-claimed to his bro. Josiah, for £52, his portion of real estate bequeathed in the will of their father; that his dr. Lucinda was m. to Dr. Joseph Gilbert, April 29, 1799; that his son Fordyce, by wf. Phebe, had b. to them five chn., viz., Levi Thurston, May 7, 1811; Elijah, Jan. 17, 1813; Hyderally, Jan. 21, 1815; Joseph Gilbert, May 20, 1817; Joanna French, May 20, 1820; and Lucinda Maria, July 28, 1823; and that his son Josiah, by wf.

* Another version of the slave-babe story comes to me from another branch of the Ball lineage. It varies a little from the one first given me, and so I insert it that my readers may take either or both. "One somewhat amusing incident, coming down from our ancestors, is connected with Mr. Josiah Ball. He was one of the first settlers of Milford, having built the second house in town, occupying the site upon which Mr. Richmond Stone now lives on Purchase St. It is as follows: He used to go regularly to Boston to market in the old-fashioned market wagon. At that time Mass. held slaves. Mr. Ball had just buried a nursing babe. One day, when at Boston, a black woman gave him her little babe. He took it home, arriving at the midnight hour, and, finding his family all in bed and asleep, he stepped in quietly, and deposited the little ebony bundle in bed with his wife, without arousing her. He then went to the barn to attend to needed duties. Having performed those, and returning to the house, he was not over-surprised to find the whole house astir. He availed himself of the privilege the uncurtained window gave to witness the surprise, fear, and anxiety of the family. Every little while one, more bold than the rest, would venture to lift the bed-clothing, which would bring forth a fresh outcry, and back they would start. He soon went in, and explained matters. He brought up the boy, and he was called Duno. He became an earnest Christian. Mr. Ball gave him a white horse, which he exchanged for a black woman in Westboro'. Mr. Ball called him at twenty-one, and told him he was free. He burst into tears, saying he must stay with Massa." The last descendant of old Duno died at Milford Poor-house, — Mrs. Judy Smith, — a few years since.

Hannah, had b. to them three chn., viz., Nancy M., July 28, 1824; Polly L., July 4, 1826; and Josiah Joseph Gilbert, June 19, 1828. When the 1st wf. d., what chn. she left, when he d., whether the above-named were his only chn., when his 2d wf. d., etc., remain untold.

[Since the foregoing was written, Mr. Henry Arthur Ball, son of Adin B., has received letters in answer to inquiries sent out from Mrs. Eastman of Marlboro', a gd. dr. of Elijah Ball, and Capt. Joseph J. G. Ball of Winchendon, a gd. son of Elijah, containing additional facts. The following are the most important of these: 1. Elijah Ball had a son Elijah, who became a physician, set. and m. in the State of Georgia, had two sons and three drs. there, and is survived by Col. James Ball, a wealthy citizen of Atlanta. 2. That Fordyce Ball has two sons res. in Cambridge, grandsons of the first Elijah. 3. That of Elijah's drs. only Nancy left issue, and she only the aforesaid Mrs. Eastman of Marlboro'. 4. That Josiah, son of Elijah, sen., m. Hannah (Albee) Smith, and had Nancy Maria, b. July 26, 1824, d. Feb. 18, 1856, unm.; Polly, who d. a. 2 yrs; Joseph Josiah Gilbert, b. June 19, 1828; and that the fr., going West to locate, d. of cholera at Alton, Ill., in 1832. 5. That the common tradition of the Balls is that they are of Scotch descent.]

BALL, Dr. LAZARUS[6] (Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. prob., amid conflicting dates, Jan., 1754; physician; m. *Lydia Cleveland*, ptge., etc., not found; b. Dec. 12, 1755; date of mge., etc., not found. Their chn.:—

ORRILLA, b. prob. Weston, 1780; d. unm., Mil., Oct. 31, 1801.

BETSEY, b. prob. Weston, 1786; trace not found.

HENRY, b. prob. Weston, Dec. 1, 1788; m., 1st, Betsey Claflin; 2d, Betsey Lincoln.

CLARISSA, b. (date not found); m. Jabez Hill of Vt.

It has been found impossible to give Dr. Ball's family record with completeness and certainty, for want of reliable data, or the story of his career in life. He d. poor, in this town, Jan. 14, 1827, a. 73 yrs. His wf. d. Dec. 21, 1832, a. 77.

BALL, ZENAS[7] (Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. July 12, 1778; m., 1st, *Mary Sumner*, dr. of Ebenezer and Keziah (Albee) Sumner, b. April 29, 1785; cer. Jan. 12, 1806, by Rev. D. Long. One child:—

ABNER SUMNER, b. April 13, 1807; m. Sally Loomis, Hop., 1829.

Mrs. Mary d. June 12, 1807. The hus. m., 2d, *Betsey Tilton*, dr. of Abraham and Hannah (Homer) Tilton, Hop., of honorable descent in one of her parental lines from the celebrated John Alden; cer. March, 1812. Their chn.:—

MARY SUMNER, b. Nov. 4, 1813; m. Alvan Robbins, March 22, 1835.

LORENZO, b. Aug. 13, 1815; m., 1st, Lucy Clark, 1839; 2d, ——.

SARAH PALMER, b. Aug. 13, 1817; m. David Beal, June 13, 1838.

HOMER TILTON, b. Oct. 19, 1819; m. Maria L. Sherman, Nov. 12, 1840.

ELIZABETH ANN, b. May 24, 1821; d. Sept. 9, 1832.

WILLIAM EUSTIS, b. June 1, 1823; m. Caroline L. Loomis of Hop., 1847. Family all dead.

JOSIAH, b. June 1, 1825; d. in infancy.

ZENAS EDWIN, b. Nov. 27, 1827; m. Catherine Long, May 24, 1857.

FRANCIS MARION, b. June 30, 1832; m. Rosetta A. Scammell, Nov. 30, 1854.

HORATIO NELSON, b. Jan. 28, 1837; d. young.

Zenas Ball inherited the old homestead, a handsome landed patrimony, but hardly the enterprise of his progenitors. He d. April 1, 1861, in his 73d yr. Mrs. Betsey, his 2d wf., a woman of much domestic energy, d., date not given.

BALL, HENRY[7] (Dr. Lazarus,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Weston, Dec. 1, 1788; m., 1st, *Betsey Claflin* of Hop., ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. April 4, 1811, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

SUSAN, birthplace and date not found; m. Whiting Eames.

MARY BUCKLIN, birthplace and date not found; m. Martin Fletcher, April 12, 1834.

BETSEY CLAFLIN, b. Needham, 1818; m. William G. Holmes, Hop., 1834.

The mr. of these chn. d. June 10, 1825. The fr. m., 2d, *Betsey Lincoln*, ptge. and birth-date not found; cer. Sept. 21, 1826, by Rev. Thomas W. Tucker. Their chn.: —

ALZINA ANN, b. Dec. 7, 1827; m. William H. Bailey, Jan. 1, 1845.

ELLEN, b. Jan. 31, 1829; m. John Grigg, 1850.

SARAH JANE, b. April 23, 1833; m. S. P. Squier, Oct. 1, 1851.

HENRY, jun., b. Aug. 2, 1834; untraced.

ADIN BALLOU, b. Sept. 27, 1836; m. Elizabeth Angel, Jan. 4, 1858.

LYDIA ANN, b. July 16, 1840; d. Feb. 13, 1841.

Henry Ball was a worthy man and citizen, with wives and chn. no less worthy. He was a boot-manufacturer and farmer, residing mostly in Mil., but transiently in other places, particularly in Westboro', where he had a farm. His 2d wf. d. in Westboro', Dec. 9, 1873. He d. in Mil., April 1, 1877.

BALL, ADIN BALLOU[8] (Henry,[7] Dr. Lazarus,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Sept. 27, 1836; carpenter; m. *Elizabeth Angel*, dr. of Alfred and Betsey (Despeaux) Angel, b. Holl., Feb. 11, 1840; cer. in Mil., Jan. 4, 1858, by Rev. J. M. Bailey. Their chn.: —

GRACE ATWOOD, b. Providence, R.I., Oct. 17, 1860; d. Nov. 17, 1865, a. 5 yrs. 1 mo.

HENRY ARTHUR, b. Mil., July 11, 1862; an accountant.

ELSIE LENA, b. Mil., June 22, 1864.

GERTIE ANNA, b. Mil., July 15, 1866.

EDITH CLARISSA, b. Mil., June 22, 1868.

WILLIE AUGUSTUS, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1869; d. July 24, 1870, a. 10 mos. 10 ds.

ADIN ELWOOD, b. Mil., Oct. 29, 1870.

FREDDIE LESTER, b. Mil., May 1, 1873.

RUTH EVELYN, b. Mil., May 31, 1875.

FAITH ELIZABETH, b. Mil., June 6, 1878.

Here is a good old-fashioned family for size, and of solid worth for character and usefulness, long and steadily res. in Mil.

BALL, ABNER[8] (Zenas,[7] Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. April 13, 1807; m. *Sally Loomis*, Hop.

BALL, LORENZO[8] (Zenas,[7] Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Aug. 13, 1815; m., 1st, *Lucy Clark* of Cumberland, R.I., ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. spring of 1839, particulars not ascertained. Their chn.: —

ANN ELIZABETH, b. May 18, 1843; d. young, a. 6 mos. 8 ds.

FERDINAND E., b. Oct. 26, 1845; d. young, a. 2 mos. 16 ds.

NAMELESS SON, b. March 12, 1847; d. young, a. 4 ds.

HARRIET A., b. April 8, 1849; d. young, a. 2 yrs. 4 mos.

ANNA M., b. Aug. 14, 1851; d. young, a. 1 m. 7 ds.

Mrs. Lucy d. ——. The hus. m., 2d, ——.

BALL, HOMER TILTON[8] (Zenas,[7] Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Oct. 19, 1819; boot-manufacturer; m. *Maria L. Sherman*,

dr. of John and Laura (Taft) Sherman, b. Westboro', March 16, 1821; cer. Mendon, Nov. 12, 1840, by the writer; res. Mil. always. Their chn.:—

GEORGE HOMER, b. June 2, 1842; d. Nov. 19, 1847.

GEORGE HOMER, b. Sept. 17, 1848; grad. H. U. 1869; stud. law, and is now a promising member of the bar; res. in Worcester; m. Florence Gill, Oct. 29, 1878; one child, viz., Maria, b. Sept. 10, 1879.

BALL, WILLIAM EUSTIS[8] (Zenas,[7] Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah, sen.,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. June 1, 1823; m. *Caroline L. Loomis* of Hop., ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. 1847, particulars not ascertained. Chn.:—

SARAH P., birth-date not given; d. March 31, 1850, a. 2 yrs. 3 mos. 13 ds.

CARRIE L., birth-date not given; d. Nov. 1, 1856, a. 2 yrs.

The hus. and fr. d. June 9, 1860. The wf. and mr. has also passed away, and the family is extinct.

BALL, ZENAS EDWIN, a younger bro. of the preceding, b. Nov. 27, 1827; m. *Catherine Long*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. May 24, 1857; no further particulars. Chn.:—

WILLIAM EDWIN, b. Nov. 19, 1858.

JOSIAH, b. Aug. 15, 1861; d. Nov. 8, 1863.

EMMA JESSIE, b. Dec. 5, 1863.

EVA, b. March 3, 1867.

I understand Zenas E. to have res. always in his native town, and to be a boot-manufacturer. I solicited particulars of his family record; but he did not respond, and I have gathered the above sidewise. It may therefore be defective.

BALL, FRANCIS MARION, youngest surviving son of Zenas and Betsey (Tilton) Ball, b. June 30, 1832; m. *Rosetta A. Scammell*, dr. of Dr. Alexander and Ann A. (Partridge) Scammell, b. Nov. 12, 1836; cer. Mil., Nov. 30, 1854, by Rev. David A. Plumb. Issue:—

EMMA B., b. Mil., Nov. 12, 1859.

MAY T., b. Mil., Oct. 8, 1862.

Mr. B. and family have res. for some years in Stoughton. His principal business there has been hotel-keeping.

BALLARD, SYLVANUS, and wf. *Judith* seem to have res. in our Easterly Precinct at one period; but whence they came, or whither they went, I get no intimation. They are credited as the parents of two drs., and prob. had other chn. The two referred to were, —

MARY, b. Aug. 31, 1761; m. Jonathan Hayward, Dec. 21, 1780.

JUDITH, b. May 21, 1763; m. Adam Hayward, April 18, 1782.

BALLOU, ADIN[9] (Ariel,[5] Ariel,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), the author of this History, introduces his family record with a brief autobiography:—

I was b. in Cumberland, R.I., April 23, 1803, on a paternal homestead inherited from James Ballou,[3] my gt. gd. father. My gd. mother, on the paternal side, was Jerusha (Slack) of Wrentham. My mother was Edilda Tower, dr. of Levi and Mary (Whipple) Tower, and gd. dr. of Gideon and Mary Tower. My immigrant ancestor, Maturin Ballou,[1] a French Protestant, as tradition says, first fled to England, remained there till he had formed a marriage connection, then came to Massachusetts Bay, and thence removed to Providence Plantations. There, about 1640, he joined the co-proprietors of Roger Williams. James Ballou,[3] grandson of Maturin, and my gt. gd. father, settled in what is now Cumberland, R.I., then called "The Gore," probably about 1700, on a part of whose patrimony Ariel[4] and Ariel[5] spent their lives.

I was always greedy of knowledge, and eagerly coveted a liberal education;

but was obliged to content myself chiefly with common-school privileges. To make up for my privations in this respect, I have diligently applied myself to the acquisition of knowledge throughout life, to orderly mental discipline, and to such particular studies as seemed to demand my special attention. At eleven years of age I had an impressive religious experience whose influence on my character has never ceased. At twelve I was baptized by immersion, and joined "the Church of Christ in Cumberland, R.I.," belonging to "the Christian Connexion," so called. At eighteen I had an intensive spiritual vision, in which I understood myself to be called imperatively by God to preach the gospel. To this I finally yielded, much against my own will, and cherished worldly plans; preaching my first discourse, with no human training, at the age of eighteen years and three months, in the ancient Ballou meeting-house of my native neighborhood. The occasion was exciting and memorable for reasons not here necessary to explain. In Sept. of the same year, 1821, I was admitted as an approved minister into the membership of the "Connecticut Christian Conference," and preached in various places of my own general vicinity during the ensuing year. Meantime I wrote and published my first pamphlet, a "Review of Rev. Hosea Ballou's Lecture Sermon on the New Birth." On the particular points at issue its logic was better than its rhetoric. It led to much polemical discussion, and this finally, after a long and painful investigation, to a change of my theology respecting the final destiny of mankind; that is, from Destructionism to Restorationism.

I was married Jan. 17, 1822, to Miss Abigail Sayles, youngest dr. of Smith and Abigail (Scott) Sayles, Smithfield, R.I.; cer. by Rev. Reuben Potter. During the summer of this year I became convinced that the Scriptures teach the final holiness and happiness of all human beings, and not the final destruction of such as die out of Christ, which I had previously believed. An honest avowal of my convictions procured me an excommunication from the church to which I belonged, and threw me into the embracing sympathy of the Universalist denomination; and this, in spite of the strong aversion I felt to the then already prominently developed no-future-retribution hypothesis, which afterwards drove me out of the denomination.

In 1823 I preached to several Universalist congregations in So. Mendon, Bellingham, and Medway, and later, for six months, to the First Universalist Society in Boston. I joined the "Southern Association of Universalists" during the summer, and was ordained at its annual session in this town, Dec. 10, 1823. I immediately solemnized the first of my numerous marriages in Boston. About the 1st of April, 1824, I became settled minister of the Universalist Society in Milford, without installation ceremonies. After some years I accepted a call from Prince-St. Universalist Society, New-York City, and was installed as pastor there Sept. 26, 1827. I commenced while there my novitiate as an editor on a small semi-monthly periodical, called "The Dialogical Instructor." Having accepted a recall to Milford, I resumed my pastorate here on the 1st Sunday in July, 1828. I was bereaved of my worthy first wife, by quick consumption, soon after the birth of an infant daughter, Feb. 29, 1829. A year of trials, with one severe fit of sickness, followed. I was married to Miss Lucy Hunt, my present excellent wife, eldest dr. of Pearley and Chloe (Albee) Hunt, March 3, 1830, in the brick church, before a full congregation; cer. by Rev. Hosea Ballou, 2d.

I preached that year under an arrangement to supply the Universalist pulpits of both Milford and Medway. A sermon delivered at Medway in June

was asked for the press; and my friends got it printed at "The Trumpet" office, Boston. It was on the text, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" In that sermon, while defending the doctrine of universal restoration, I plainly dissented from the no-future retributionists. It gave great umbrage to some of them; and Rev. Thomas Whittemore, then editor of "The Trumpet," the leading Universalist organ of that day, denounced it in strong terms as contrary to American Universalism, and disrespectful to the elders of the order. He subsequently refused to print my defence in his paper. This so aggravated the schism between the small minority of Restorationists and their opponents, who then ruled the denomination in New England, that the former seceded, and the next year formally organized an Independent Association. Meantime I started a religious weekly paper, entitled "The Independent Messenger," as the organ of the Restorationists; taking the responsibility of proprietor and editor. It was printed by Geo. W. Stacy, and the first No. issued about New-Year's Day, Jan., 1831, from the office of Ballou & Stacy, just opened in the shed-loft of William Godfrey, adjacent to the Parish Common. Hot and somewhat bitter controversy followed between the opposing parties for several years. A majority of the Milford Universalist Society, not over-pleased with the new movement, quietly voted to dispense with my services. Passed, Jan. 22, 1831; re-affirmed a week later, and a committee appointed to notify me. I was soon waited on by said committee, and the very same day by a committee of the First Congregational Parish in Mendon to have me supply their pulpit. I was soon invited to take pastoral charge of said parish for one year, and in April removed my family thither; also our printing-office and "The Independent Messenger." There I had an open field for my cause, for reform, and for progress, in which were spent eleven busy and eventful years. I was formally installed in 1832; the congregation and church were greatly increased; the temperance reform was auspiciously inaugurated; the anti-slavery cause promoted successfully, in spite of some bitter opposition; the principles of peace faithfully proclaimed, and fraternal association earnestly recommended. Practical religion and righteousness never had a livelier epoch in that parish than those eleven years.

In the spring of 1842 I removed to Hopedale with others, to make the experiment of establishing a fraternal community on what I deemed the true Christian basis. Of the success and ill success of that experiment, my position and responsibilities therein, and also my pastorate of the Hopedale Parish, enough has been said in Chapter X., — Religious Societies, etc. For thirty years of my life, down to 1860, I was more or less an editor of periodical publications. My authorship of books, pamphlets, and tracts, includes a very considerable list of various size, besides several volumes still in manuscript, prepared for press. These labors interlarded and complemented the more regular ones of a Christian minister and moral reformer during an active career in public life, extending from July, 1821, to the present time, 1881, — a period of about sixty years. Meantime I have ministered at more than two thousand funerals, and solemnized over one thousand marriages. I cannot reproach myself with having idled away my time, nor yet congratulate myself on having accomplished a tithe of the good I tried to promote. But, despite of all my delinquencies and disappointments, I can rejoice gratefully in the loving-kindness of my heavenly Father, whose providence and tender mercies have crowned my life, and now shed a serene sunshine on my old age. Whatever good uses I have served, to him alone be glory and praise. For many short-

comings he knows all my lamentations; and that I confidingly, as well as contritely, cast myself, for final disposal, into the bosom of his forgiving love as manifested through his blessed son Jesus Christ.

I will now proceed with my tabulations, commencing with my father's family:—

BALLOU, ARIEL[5] (Ariel,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. Feb. 21, 1758; m., 1st, *Lucina Comstock*, dr. of Nathan and Abigail (Arnold) Comstock, who was b. in W. Wrentham, Mass., April 28, 1765. They were m. Feb. 21, 1782; and their chn., all b. in Cumberland, R.I., just over the Mass. line, were, —

ROZINA, b. Dec. 2, 1783; m. Nathan Arnold, April 9, 1809; d. Dec. 5, 1825; 4 chn.

ABIGAIL, b. April 16, 1786; m. Davis Cook, Dec. 8, 1808; d. April 15, 1874; 7 chn.

CYRUS, b. March 18, 1789; m. Susanna Ballou, Feb. 14, 1810; d. March 7, 1816; 2 chn.

ARNOLD, b. March 31, 1792; m. Lorinda Bates, April 11, 1816; d. Nov. 27, 1816; 1 dr.

SARAH, b. March 2, 1795; d. Oct. 11, 1803.

ALFRED, b. June 2, 1799; m. Matilda Cook, June 11, 1835; res. on old homestead; 2 chn.

The mother d. July 11, 1801. The father m., 2d, *Edilda Tower* of Cumberland, R.I., dr. of Levi and Mary (Whipple) Tower, who was b. May 27, 1771. They were m. June 20, 1802; and their chn. were, —

ADIN, b. April 23, 1803; particulars elsewhere noted.

ARIEL, b. Oct. 25, 1805; physician; m. Hannah Horton, Sept. 11, 1832; res. Woonsocket, R.I. They had 5 chn., of whom but 2 survive. The mr. d. Nov. 14, 1873.

Edilda (Tower) Ballou d. Dec. 27, 1834, in her 64th yr. Dea. Ariel Ballou d. Sept. 26, 1839, in his 82d yr.

BALLOU, ADIN[6] (Ariel,[5] Ariel,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. as aforesaid, April 23, 1803; m., 1st, *Abigail Sayles*, dr. of Smith and Abigail (Scott) Sayles, who was b. in Smithfield, R.I., April 1, 1800. They were m. Jan. 17, 1822; cer. by Rev. Reuben Potter. Their chn. were, —

ADIN, jun., b. Cumberland, R.I., June 22, 1823; d. Mendon, Mass., Feb. 10, 1833.

ABIGAIL SAYLES, b. Mil., Mass., Jan. 30, 1829; m. Rev. William S. Heywood, May 11, 1851.

The mr. d. Feb. 20, 1829. The fr. m., 2d, *Lucy Hunt*, dr. of Pearley and Chloe (Albee) Hunt, who was b. in this town Oct. 31, 1810. They were m. in the Universalist (brick) Church, March 3, 1830; cer. by Rev. Hosea Ballou, 2d; and their chn. were, —

PEARLEY HUNT, b. in Mil., Nov. 23, 1830; d. Mendon, Feb. 27, 1833.

ADIN AUGUSTUS, b. in Mendon, June 30, 1833. He d. in Bridgewater, Mass., of typhoid fever, Feb. 8, 1852. He had graduated with honor at the State Normal School, and entered its service as an assistant teacher. He was richly endowed with all those qualities which inspire love, win admiration, and promise eminent usefulness. But he was cut down suddenly in the bloom of early youth, to the great sorrow of his family and a host of appreciative friends. His father commemorated his worth in a duodecimo volume of 192 pages, entitled "Memoir of Adin Augustus Ballou." It was pub-

lished in 1853, and has been read by old and young with a tender interest.

BALLOU, ALBERT[7] (Cyrus,[6] Ariel,[5] Ariel,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., Aug. 4, 1811. His mr.'s maiden name was Susanna Ballou, dr. of Noah Ballou, Cumberland, R.I. She was m., 1st, to my oldest half-bro., Cyrus Ballou, and by him had two sons, viz., Albert and Cyrus. After my bro.'s decease some yrs., she m. Lewis Brown, by whom she had one son, now res. in Franklin. The venerable Susanna still survives, at over 90 yrs. of age. My nephew Albert has res. for several brief periods in this town, and once owned a farm here. Afterwards he set. a while in Hop. He now carries on a milk-producing farm in Franklin. His son William A. resided a while here, and m. Ella M. Saunders, dr. of David. Albert Ballou m. *Ann Janett Peck*, dr. of William and Sarah (Arnold) Peck, b. in Wrentham, May 25, 1813; cer. March 13, 1834, by Rev. Elisha Fisk. Their chn.:—

ADIN, b. Hop., Dec. 29, 1835; m. Harriet O. Wormwell, 1865; no chn.

ALBERT MORTIMER, b. Hop., July 29, 1836; m. Emily Watson, May 27, 1868; 2 chn.

WILLIAM ARNOLD, b. Hop., Nov. 9, 1838; m. Ella M. Saunders, April 17, 1864; 1 child.

These three sons all rendered perilous and valuable service in the great war of the Rebellion.

BALLOU, CYRUS[7] (Cyrus,[6] Ariel,[5] Ariel,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), bro. of the preceding, b. Cumberland, R.I., Oct. 27, 1812; m. *Laura Follett*, dr. of Comfort and Lois (Tower) Follett, b. Cumberland, R.I., 1818; cer. Oct. 15, 1835, by Ezek Dexter, Esq., just. peace. Their chn.:—

CORAZANDA, b. Cumberland, R.I., Oct. 16, 1836; d. Mil., Dec. 5, 1868.

CYRUS CONSTANTINE, b. Hop., Oct. 1, 1838; m. Mary V. Gallup, Oct. 27, 1874.

ELVIRA DANIELS, b. Hop., June 12, 1840; m. Benj. H. Spaulding, Oct. 24, 1865.

AUGUSTUS, b. Mil., Sept. 8, 1842; d. same month, 10th day.

AUSTIN, b. Mil., Sept. 23, 1843; m. Jane Agnes Hayward, Aug. 2, 1871.

ANNA M., b. Mil., Aug. 5, 1845; d. Bell., March 30, 1852.

HERBERT, b. Mil., Oct. 28, 1847; m. Mary Ella Chappell, Aug. 4, 1871.

MINERVA, b. Mil., Nov. 28, 1850; d. Bell., Feb. 20, 1852.

The hus. and fr. was an energetic, executive, upright man. He was for some time an overseer of our poor. He and his wf. had charge of our asylum several yrs., with general satisfaction to all parties concerned; and, after his death, Mrs. Ballou became again matron of that institution for another series of yrs., in connection with one of her bros. Cyrus d. in the midst of business and usefulness, Bell., Feb. 14, 1852. His wid. still survives in comparative vigor and cheerfulness I believe all the surviving chn. of the family are set. in married life and active business.

CYRUS CONSTANTINE was m. to *Mary V. Gallup*, dr. of Frederick and Catherine (Croll) Gallup, Boston; cer. in Mil., Oct. 27, 1874, by the writer. He has a responsible business position in connection with the manufacture of boots and shoes in the Albany (N.Y.) penitentiary, for the East New York Shoe Co. They have 2 chn. at their Albany residence:—

LAURA M., b. Sept. 18, 1875.

CYRUS C., jun., b. Nov. 30, 1877.

Elvira Daniels, wife of Benjamin H. Spaulding, appears in her place under his name.

Austin m. *Jane Agnes Hayward*, at Bellingham, Aug. 2, 1871; cer. by Rev. J. T. Massey; other particulars called for not given. They have 2 chn.: —

Cora Sadie, b. Sept. 25, 1872; and William Austin, b. Feb. 12, 1876.

Herbert, foreman of the straw-factory in town, m. *Mary Ella Chappell*, dr. of Jeremiah and Mary (Sisson) Chappell, b. in New London, Ct., Nov. 24, 1847; cer. Providence, R.I., Aug. 4, 1871, by Rev. B. P. Byram. They have 1 child: —

Luella Hattie, b. Mil., March 11, 1873.

The chn. of Albert and Cyrus Ballou are of generation [8] from Maturin;[1] and their chn. of gen.[9]

Mrs. Lorinda A. Blake, 35 Pearl St., is the dr. of my half-bro., Arnold Ballou, — his only child.

BALLOU, Charles[6] (Ziba,[5] Noah,[4] Nathaniel,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., Nov. 9, 1797; his mr.'s maiden name was Molly Mason, dr. of Timothy Mason; tailor by trade; came to that part of Mendon adjacent to So. Milford; m. *Sena Penniman*, dr. of Josiah and Sena (Holbrook) Penniman, b. May 2, 1800, and brought up, I think, by Dr. Daniel Thurber; cer. May 2, 1820, by whom not given. They removed to Mil. Centre soon after mge.; and in 1824, when I came into town, he had bought the Caleb Albee place, had built a small brick shop, and was doing a brisk business as merchant tailor. He continued in town several yrs., but afterwards returned to Mendon, and finally to R.I. Their chn.: —

Charlotte Mason, b. Mendon, Feb. 10, 1821; m. Charles L. Fisher, Feb. 9, 1845; 4 chn.

Louisa, b. Mendon, Dec. 30, 1830; m. George S. Whitman, Jan. 8, 1856.

Marianna, b. Mendon, July 6, 1832; remains unm., Providence, R.I.

The hus. and fr. d. at Woonsocket, R.I., May 6, 1838. His wid., with her chn., moved to Providence, and she d. in that city, Feb. 28, 1874. The two drs. that m. found their husbands in Providence. Only 3 gd. chn. of Charles Ballou survive.

BALLOU, Alexander[6] (Abner,[5] Abner,[4] Obadiah,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., Aug. 1792; son of Abner Ballou, Esq., and gd. son of Rev. Abner Ballou, once a celebrated Six-Principle Baptist pastor for many yrs. in Cumberland. His mr.'s maiden name was Henrietta Brown.

He came of an eminently respectable stock, and was himself a very worthy man. He taught our district school in my boyhood; and I knew him well as a business clerk, cashier of the Cumberland Bank, and afterwards as a farmer. He came to So. Milford in 1843, and dwelt on the Martin Stoddard place, later the Willard Chilson homestead. He remained in town only about 5 yrs., a part of which time he was postmaster of the So. Milford office. He then sold out his place to Willard Chilson, and returned to R.I. His son Henry and young family dwelt at So. Mil. with him, and perhaps both fr. and son, or one of them, ran the store there for a time. I notice that his son had charge of the post-office for a season, that he had a child's birth recorded by our town clerk, and that he buried his wf. Sarah while there; also that a dr. of Alexander was m. to Major John C. Scammell's son, Samuel S. None of his chn. or descendants remain in town; but it cannot be improper for me to tabulate his family record. He m. *Fanny Sweetser*, dr. of Philip Sweetser, Marlboro', N.H., b. in Royalston, Mass., Feb., 1793; cer. in Marlboro', N.H., Aug. 27, 1817, by whom not reported. Their chn.: —

Frederick M., b. June 21, 1818; m., 1st, Sarah A. Arnold, 1844; 2d, Nancy Cummings.

Henry S., b. Feb. 25, 1820; m., 1st, Sarah ——; 2d, Deborah A. Davis.

Fanny A., b. April 18, 1822; m. Samuel S. Scammell, Nov. 20, 1845.

Alexander, b. April 22, 1825; m., 1st, Martha A. Mowry; 2d, Hannah A. Wood.

James, b. May 9, 1828; d. May 3, 1849.

Julius, b. June 14, 1830; d. Dec. 31, 1851.

Mary, b. June 14, 1832; d. Sept. 13, 1840.

Austin, b. Feb. 26, 1835; d. Aug. 5, 1879.

The hus. and fr. d. Providence, R.I., Jan., 1869. His wid. d. there 1875.

BALLOU, Amos Jenks[6] (Absalom,[5] Noah,[4] Nathaniel,[3] James,[2] Maturin[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., March 24, 1800; mr.'s maiden name, Anna Jenks; m. *Joanna Kelley*, dr. of Wing Kelley, and sister of the celebrated anti-slavery lecturess, Abby (Kelley) Foster; particulars of the mge. cer., etc. not at command. Their chn.:—

Charles Wing, b. during the year 1831; d. at Yuba River, Cal., Sept. 15, 1852.

Francisco Marshall, b. during the year 1833; m.; res. a man of business in Worcester.

Abby Lucy, b. during the year 1839; m.; res. also in Worcester.

They came to Hopedale toward the close of 1842, and soon after became members of the Community. They were substantial and worthy people. He was an executive and estimable intendant of agriculture for us three yrs. They resigned their membership in 1845, and set. in his native town, on a part of the old family homestead; there he d. Oct. 31, 1869. His wid. still survives, and has res. in Worcester for the last few yrs.

BALLOU, Olney, bro. of Amos J., res. with his family at Hopedale a short time while his bro. was here; but I have no data of his record, only that his wife was *Diadama Kelley*, a sister of Joanna and Abby. Olney and wf. are both dead.

BALLOU, George Brown, a descendant of Maturin,[1] but he cannot trace the connecting links of his lineage; b. in Burrillville, R.I., son of Daniel and Mercy (Brown) Ballou; m. *Fannie Jane Thayer*, dr. of Archa. and Elizabeth (Aldrich) Thayer, b. in Spencer, Mass., July 8, 1835; cer. in Chepachet, R.I., July 5, 1857, by Rev. John Pratt. Their chn.:—

Freddie Lincoln, b. Upton, Nov. 28, 1861; clerk, 64 Main St.

Nellie, b. Upton, July 12, 1865; d. Sept. 8, 1865.

Beatrice Anna, b. Upton, Oct. 12, 1867.

Georgie Marshall, b. Upton, Feb. 22, 1871; d. July 16, 1871.

Fannie Louise, b. Mendon, July 20, 1873; d. Sept., 1873.

This family have res. in Upton, Mendon, and latterly in Mil. The hus. is a provision-dealer, and the wf. manages a boarding-house. I have little personal acquaintance, but presume them to sustain a reputable standing.

BANCROFT. This is a comparatively recent name in Mil. Those who bear it are probably descendants of John and Jane Bancroft, who came over from London in 1632, and set. in Lynn. They brought with them two sons, John and Thomas. Their fr. soon d. Thomas m., and set. in Reading, where he had three sons, John, Thomas, and Ebenezer. One of these had a son Samuel, but which one is not certain. I conjecture he must have been Thomas. Our Bancrofts run back through Samuels to a first Samuel, son of this conjectural Thomas. Thus much is certain; the rest, merely probable.

BANCROFT, Joseph Bubier[8] (Samuel,[7] Samuel,[6] Samuel,[5] Samuel,[4] prob. Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] John[1]), one of 10 chn.; b. in Uxbridge, Oct. 3, 1821. His father followed the sea for many yrs. He was b. in Marblehead, Dec. 2, 1784; m. *Mary Bubier* of that town, Jan. 12, 1807; was taken prisoner in the war of 1812, and confined in the infamous Dartmoor Prison, to the irreparable loss of his health, and finally d. in West Medway at the age of 60 yrs. His wid. also d. there at the age of 87 yrs.

Joseph Bubier m. *Sylvia Willard Thwing*, dr. of Benjamin and Anna (Mowry) Thwing, b. in Uxbridge, June 26, 1824; cer. in Ux., Sept. 11, 1844, by Rev. Samuel Clarke. Their chn.: —

Eben Draper, b. Hopedale, Aug. 27, 1847; m. Lelia Coburn, Sept. 9, 1874.

Charles Eugene, b. Hopedale, March 20, 1849; d. March 27, 1849.

Minerva Louisa, b. Hopedale, March 12, 1851; d. same day.
William, (triplets), b. Hopedale, March 12, 1851; d. March 18.
Walter, b. Hopedale, March 12, 1851; d. March 23.

Anna Minerva, b. Hopedale, Feb. 9, 1853.

Mary Gertrude, b. Hopedale, Dec. 2, 1856; m. Walter P. Winsor, Oct. 4, 1876.

Charles Frederic, b. Hopedale, April 30, 1861; d. Sept. 14, 1868.

Lilla Josie, b. Hopedale, Aug. 25, 1863.

Lura Belle, b. Hopedale. Dec. 27, 1865.

Their dr., Mrs. Winsor, res. in Fairhaven, and has 1 son; viz., —

Walter Bancroft Winsor, b. April 20, 1879.

Mr. Bancroft and wf. came to Hopedale in 1847, and soon after joined the Hopedale Community, of which they were useful and exemplary members. He was a capable machinist, and has long been superintendent of the Hopedale Machine Company's establishment. He is likewise a prominent member and officer of our parish. As a citizen he has been deservedly honored with responsible official positions. He represented the town in Gen. Court in 1864, and served for several yrs. as our principal selectman. Their dr. Anna M. has proved herself a successful teacher, and is now one of the assistant instructors in the High School. The whole family hold a highly reputable standing in society.

BANCROFT, William,[8] bro. of Joseph, with the same lineal descent, has res. several yrs. at Hopedale; is a competent machinist, an exemplary citizen, and has a worthy family, — all quiet, orderly, and peaceable persons in society. William's family record is as follows: b. in So. Mendon, now Blackstone, Feb. 26, 1826; m. *Sarah J. Stanley*, dr. of Joseph and Mary (Blaney) Stanley, b. in Marblehead, Dec. 25, 1828; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Nov. 7, 1849, by Rev. L. D. Hill. They have res. in Woonsocket, Marblehead, Medway, and Hopedale. Their chn.: —

William Samuel, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Dec. 23. 1849; m. Emma F. Cottrell, May 12, 1875.

Clarence, b. Hopedale, Oct. 11, 1858; now student in Harvard University.

Mary Inez, b. Hopedale, June 3, 1868.

BANCROFT, Eben Draper[9] (Joseph B.,[8] Samuel,[7] Samuel,[6] Samuel,[5] Samuel,[4] prob. Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] John[1]), b. in Hopedale, Aug. 27, 1847; m. *Lelia Coburn*, dr. of Alonzo and Eliza Curtis (Jones) Coburn, b. Hop., Sept. 14, 1846; cer. in Hop., Sept. 9, 1874, by Rev. C. H. Hannaford. Their chn.: —

Alice Coburn, b. in Hopedale, July 3, 1876.

Joseph Bubier, b. in Hopedale, Feb. 26, 1880.

A couple launched on business, connubial, and social life under favorable auspices. He has been, for several yrs., leading accountant in the Hopedale counting-room, with a handsome salary.

BANCROFT, WILLIAM SAMUEL [9] (William,[8] Samuel,[7] Samuel,[6] Samuel,[5] Samuel,[4] prob. Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] John [1]), b. Woonsocket, R.I., Dec. 23, 1849; m. *Emma Frances Cottrell*, dr. of Gardner P. and Lucy (Potter) Cottrell, b. Coventry, R.I., Oct. 3, 1854; cer. Ashton, R.I., May 12, 1875, by Rev. Robert H. Murray. A well-married and promising pair. He is also an accountant in the same establishment with his cousin Eben, and has a good prospective future. No chn. reported.

BARBER, HAMLET,[1] an immigrant from England, as I have always been told, seems to have been the first of this name in town. I never chanced to learn any thing of his birth-date or antecedents, nor exactly when he first came here to res. Indeed, I doubt if he was any thing more than an occasional and transient inhabitant within our limits. But several of his chn. were somewhat permanently set. here. Mr. Alfred Bragg furnishes me a family record, which he somehow obtained. According to this, Hamlet Barber m. Wid. *Rhoda* (*Ware*) *Clark*, and their chn. were, —

JAMES, b. May 16, 1779; m. Nancy Parks, April 11, 1803; set. Mil.
HAMLET, b. April 26, 1780; d. Aug. 7, 1783.
HANNAH, b. May 5, 1782; d. Dec. 15 ensuing.
RHODA, b. Oct. 22, 1783; m. Amasa Fairbanks, Oct. 11, 1807.
HAMLET, b. June 24, 1785; m. Bathsheba Adams. He d. Bell., 1870.
HANNAH, b. July 17, 1788; m. Calvin Claflin, Holl., May 20, 1805.
SALLY, b. May 25, 1790; m. Phineas Adams.
POLLY, b. Aug. 20, 1792; m. Barzillai Adams.
ANNA, b. June 29, 1794; m. Reuben Justin.
JOHN, b. April 13, 1796; m. Mary Davenport. He d. April 6, 1821.
THOMAS, b. April 10, 1798; m. Betsey Rockwood; res. in Mil. and Hop.
BETSEY, b. March 24, 1800; m. Jason Gay; set. Mil. (See Gay.)

Mrs. Rhoda d. Dec. 25, 1824. I recollect Mr. B. was a tall, portly man. He was an ingenious shoemaker, and, I think, must have res. mostly in Holl. The date of his d. was July 6 or 7, 1834, a. 83 yrs.

BARBER, JAMES [2] (Hamlet [1]), b. May 16, 1779; m. *Nancy Parks*, dr. of John and Lydia Parks, Holl., b. there Sept. 14, 1795; cer. in Mil. April 11, 1803, by Samuel Jones, Esq. An executive, hard-working shoemaker, who, with a still more executive, toilsome, and exemplary wife, raised in Mil. a large family of capable chn.; viz., —

WILLIAM, b. Aug. 25, 1803; went to Amsterdam, N.Y., m. there; d. Brooklyn, N.Y.
SALLY PARKS, b. Oct. 20, 1804; m. Simpson Bixby, Nov. 4, 1832.
MARIA, b. July 9, 1806; m. Seth P. Carpenter, Jan. 25, 1829; d. Feb. 13, 1831.
DIANA, b. March 31, 1808; m. Seth P. Carpenter, Aug. 28, 1831.
JAMES MADISON, b. June 20, 1810; m. Elizabeth S. Wiswall, March 17, 1834.
ANN MATILDA, b. Feb. 19, 1812; d. unm. 1849.
NANCY, b. April 22, 1814; d. Jan. 27, 1815.
JOHN PARKS, b. May 29, 1816; m. Rhoda S. Hewitt, Sept. 2, 1841.
HAMLET ELLISON, b. Aug. 29, 1818; m. Mary Burbank; res. Binghampton, N.Y.; 6 chn.
WILLARD FISHER, b. Nov. 22, 1820; m. Mary A. Kendall, Nov. 1, 1842.

GARDNER PARKS, b. June 28, 1823; m. Abbie Holbrook, Oct. 24, 1848. No chn.

CHARLES, b. March 28, 1828; m. twice; res. formerly Hartford, Ct.

The hus. and fr. d. Oct. 15, 1844. His wid., Mrs. Nancy, d. April 27, 1864. Several of the sons in this family have spent most of their adult business lives away from Mil. in other localities. Among these the most distinguished was Gardner P. He passed into the higher life on the 7th of Oct., 1879, greatly loved, lamented, and honored. The following is part of an obituary notice copied from "The Hartford Post:" —

"Mr. Gardner P. Barber, of the firm of Hunt, Holbrook, & Barber, died in Boston, Oct. 7, of paralysis. He was a native of Milford, Mass., and was 56 years of age. He had been engaged in business in Hartford since 1845, and was thoroughly identified with industrial interests here. He had been associated with the firm of Hunt, Holbrook, & Barber for twenty-five years. Mr. Barber, in addition to his business relations, had taken an active and influential part in local affairs, and had been a member of the city government and of street commissioners, holding the latter office at the time of his death. He was a member of the State Capitol commissioners, and also an officer and director of the Mercantile Bank."

I shall notice the family records of those sons in this family who married, lived here, and had chn., each in the proper place; also any important facts concerning those abroad that may come to my knowledge.

BARBER, HAMLET[2] (Hamlet[1]), b. Jan. 24, 1785; m. *Bathsheba Adams*. No particulars of her birth, parentage, etc., have been ascertained by me, nor of the mge. or chn. In his younger yrs. he was a popular dancing-master, and also much interested in masonry. Later in life he became a strict religionist of the Baptist ch. His last homestead was in Bellingham Corner, being a part of the ancient Dr. Corbett place. I have understood that he d. in 1870. I have no report of his wf.'s d.

BARBER, THOMAS[2] (Hamlet[1]), b. April 10, 1798; m. *Betsey Rockwood*, dr. of Nathan and Johanna (Day) Rockwood, b. in Holl., June 13, 1800; cer. in Smithville, April, 1818, by whom not given. Issue: —

JOHANNA DAY, b. Mil., Aug. 19, 1819; m. Eliakim A. Bates, Jan. 7, 1841. She d. May 26, 1860.

CURTIS H., b. Mil., July 23, 1821; m., 1st, Julia Forbes, 1842; 2d, Olivia A. Eames, 1847.

JOHN, b. Mil., Jan. 3, 1823; m. Rebecca Hartshorn, 1857.

ALBERT, b. Mil., July 11, 1824; m. Mary Clark.

CHARLES, b. Mil., May 26, 1825; d. Dec. 27, 1830.

GEORGE, b. Mil., July 17, 1827; m. Sarah B. Osborn, Nov. 15, 1853.

THOMAS, jun., b. Newton, May 20, 1829; drowned No. Pond, Hop., July 4, 1849.

EMILY ELIZABETH, b. Newton, Jan. 1, 1831; m. Homer Gibbs, May 3, 1854.

CHARLES H., b. Newton, Nov. 18, 1832; m. Althea M. Pierce.

EDWARD EVERETT, b. Hop., Jan. 15, 1837.

SARAH JANE, b. Hop., June 17, 1839; m. Lucius H. Wakefield.

MARY ANN, b. Hop., Sept. 30, 1841; m. John A. Thayer, Nov. 27, 1860.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Hop., Oct. 17, 1843; d. Oct. 15, 1868.

Twenty-seven grandchn. have been b., of whom 14 survive.

Thomas Barber was a stately, fleshy man, quite genial and pleasant in domestic and social life, famous in early manhood as a dancing-master, who,

notwithstanding his weight, could move with a sylphlike gentleness over the floor through the old-fashioned figures, — a model of gracefulness to all his pupils. Later he became a popular hotel-keeper in various localities, and finally in Hopkinton. There he d. Aug. 16, 1852. The family res., at different times, in Holl., Mil., Newton, New Haven (Ct.), Ashland, and Hop. The venerable wid. still survives in remarkable vigor, in the 82d yr. of her age.

BARBER, JAMES MADISON[3] (James,[2] Hamlet[1]), b. June 20, 1810; m. *Elizabeth Smith Wiswall*, dr. of Sampson and Abigail Wiswall, b. Providence, R.I., Dec. 31, 1811; cer. Mil., March 17, 1834, by the writer. They res. in Mil. several yrs. after marriage, and had 7 chn. credited to them on our records: —

MILTON WALLACE, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1835; m. Frances C. Wilcox, Sept. 17, 1871; 3 chn.

MARIA AMELIA, Mil., Nov. 9, 1837; m. Lemuel L. Spellman, Jan. 16, 1861; 1 child.

ADELA ABIGAIL, b. Mil., Jan. 6, 1840; m. Silas H. Davis, June 15, 1862; 2 chn.

HAMLET PARK, b. Mil., May 4, 1843; m. Carrie Wright, March 3, 1862; 4 chn.

ELDORA SOPHIA, b. Mil., Feb. 12, 1846; m. Frederick R. Hills, Dec. 8, 1869; 3 chn.

IDA ISIDORE, b. Mil., July 19, 1848; d. Mil., Sept. 21, 1849.

MANFRED ERWIN, b. Mil., March 6, 1850; d. Hartford, Ct., July 26, 1857.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Hartford, Ct., Aug. 21, 1854.

IDA ELIZABETH, b. Hartford, Ct., April 16, 1858; d. Hartford, Ct., June 2, 1864.

An industrious, orderly, reputable family. Mr. B. was brought up to the boot business. He removed to Hartford, Ct., between 1852 and 1854, and d. there March 5, 1874. His worthy wid. survives there, or in that general vicinity, residing with her chn.

BARBER, HAMLET ELLISON[3] (James,[2] Hamlet[1]), b. Mil., Aug. 29, 1818; m. *Mary S. Burbank*, b. Worcester, Sept. 24, 1819; cer. 1838. Issue: —

MARY A., b. June 30, 1839; m. Charles A. Jarvis; no chn.

ELLEN A., b. April 12, 1841; m. Charles Bronson; 3 chn.

CHARLES E., b. June 14, 1843; m. Mary Dorr; 3 chn.

LUCY A., b. Sept. 24, 1845; m. George A. Newman; 2 chn.

JAMES, b. Dec. 27, 1847; m. Sophia Richardson; 1 child.

LOUIS K., b. Jan. 26, 1852; unm.

Mr. B. left Mil. in 1835. He now res. in Binghamton, N.Y. He reports to me only the foregoing particulars. It seems that not a single death has occurred in his family. Highly favored.

BARBER, JOHN P.[3] (James,[2] Hamlet[1]), b. May 29, 1816; m. *Rhoda S. Hewitt*, dr. of Richard and Susan (Hack) Hewitt of Taunton; cer. in Mendon, June 16, 1841, by the writer. Their chn.: —

JOHN WALDO, b. Oct. 20, 1842; d. Warrenton, Va., war Rebellion, June 26, 1861.

EMMA JANE, b. 1845; m., 1st, John Klein, 1864; 2d, I. W. Towne, 1868.

The hus. and fr. went into the service of his country, enlisting, 1863, Regt. 2, Co. H, and was one of those unfortunates who fell a prisoner into the hands of the rebels, and was starved to death at Andersonville, Ga. He d. there Sept., 1864. Concerning him and his son John Waldo, see Chap. VIII., "War Record of the Rebellion." John Klein of German birth, who m. Emma Jane,

March 19, 1864 (cer. by the writer), d. in Mil., July 15, 1866. Emma J. m. Isaiah W. Towne of Natick; cer. at Hopedale, June 18, 1868, by the writer. Cannot report respecting any chn. Mrs. Rhoda S., the widowed mother of Emma, d. under her kind care at Natick, Nov. 22, 1870. A worthy family of many afflictions.

BARBER, WILLARD FISHER[3] (James,[2] Hamlet[1]), b. Nov. 22, 1820; m. *Mary A. Kendall*, dr. of Lyman and Nancy (Baldwin) Kendall, b. Holl., Feb. 2, 1822; cer. in the "Old House" at Hopedale, Nov. 1, 1842, by the writer. Issue: —

NANCY M. C., b. Sept. 12, 1843; d. Aug. 8, 1843.

CORA, b. Jan. 28, 1846; d. March 22, 1874.

ROLLO, b. Dec. 5, 1847; m. Martha E., surname and date not given.

Mrs. Mary A. d. in Framingham, May 5, 1881; a most excellent woman, deeply lamented and honorably commemorated. An estimable family.

The surviving hus. and son res. in Framingham.

BARBER, CALVIN, jun., a descendant of George Barber, a Puritan immigrant from Eng., who first set. in Dedham in 1643, and afterwards in Medfield. I cannot with certainty give the lineal links in this case, but presume Calvin, jun., must be of the 6th or 7th generation from George, the ancestral immigrant. I knew Calvin, sen., of Bellingham, originally from Medway; also his two bros., George and Seneca of Medway. Their fr.'s name was George; but to ascertain the names of *his* fr., etc., would require more inquiry and research than I felt it my duty to bestow. Calvin, jun., was b. in Bell., Aug. 7, 1808; mr.'s maiden name, Chloe Marsh. He m., in this town, *Sylvia Kelley*, dr. of Wing and Mary (Gaskill) Kelley, b. Jan. 3, 1809; cer. Mil., April 19, 1830, by the writer. Their chn.: —

MINERVA, b. Mil., April 29, 1831; m. Henry Rice, Mendon, Oct. 31, 1850; res. Attleboro'; 3 chn.

GEORGE KELLEY, b. Mend., May 4, 1834; d. Mil., July 27, 1854.

MARY LOUISA, b. Bell., April 28, 1836; res. unm. with parents in Worcester.

WALTER RALEIGH, b. Mend., Oct. 20, 1838; m. Hattie E. Alden, Jan. 5, 1864. He d. Mil., July 14, 1873.

Excellent people. Mr. B. moved from Mend. to Mil. in 1850, and from Mil. to Worcester in 1865, where the family has since res. He has long been a leather-cutter in boot-manufactories.

BARKER, Col. JAMES HARRISON, son of Benjamin and Abigail (Babbett) Barker; ancestry no further given; b. Westmoreland, N.H., Aug. 6, 1818; m. *Elizabeth Alden Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., April 10, 1826; cer. April 26, 1848, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

EMMA DIANA, b. Mil., May 26, 1855; m. Fred Swasey, Oct. 24, 1877.

OTIS BENJAMIN, b. Mil., May 9, 1858.

KATIE ELIZABETH, b. Mil., June 12, 1864.

One grandchild: —

LILLIAN PARKHURST SWASEY, b. Mil., Sept. 12, 1878.

Col. Barker became a res. here some time before his mge. in 1848; but his return record does not give the date. He was for some years engaged in the boot-manufacture, and more recently in other kinds of business. He is a man of large natural abilities, intelligence, enterprise, public spirit, and trustworthiness. He served 8 terms on our board of selectmen between 1851 and 1874, the same number of terms as assessor between 1857 and 1879; went representative to Gen. Court in 1858 and 1859; he was justice peace for 7 yrs., from Jan. 1,

Yours Truly
J. H. Barker

1872; was postmaster from April 19, 1855, to April 20, 1861, and again for a brief period in 1866. In the State militia he rose from a private to be lieut.-col. in 1856. In the late civil war he was for a time major in the 36th Regt. Mass. Vols. See Chap. VIII., "War Record of the Rebellion." An excellent family.

BARKER, ALEXANDER E., son of Joseph S. and Lydia (Eames) Barker, b. Newry, Me., May 1, 1821; m., 1st, *Cynthia Littlehall*, dr. of Joshua and Annie (Knapp) Littlehall, b. in Newry, Me., Oct. 29, 1832; cer. in Shelburne, N.H., 1851, by Rev. Mr. Greene. Their chn.:—

EDGAR E., b. Newry, Me., Nov. 18, 1852.
FRANK W., b. Mil., Mass, April 17, 1854.
EDWARD, b. Newry, Me., March 14, 1856.
HERBERT W., b. Mil., July 31, 1860.
ANNIE L., b. Mil., July 5, 1862.
IDA M., b. Newry, Me., Oct. 6, 1865; m. Geo. E. W. Adams, Sept. 5, 1881.

Mrs. Cynthia d. in Newry, Me., Dec. 1, 1872. The hus. m., 2d, *Izetta Brown*, dr. of Parker V. and Louisa (Coburn) Brown, b. Albany, N.Y., Sept. 9, 1851; cer. in Gray, Me., Nov. 27, 1873, by James H. Trask. Their chn.:—

HARRY C., b. Mil., Oct. 10, 1874.
BENJAMIN A., b. Mil., June 20, 1877.

A worthy family, according to my best information. Mr. Barker came into town between 25 and 30 yrs. ago from Newry, Me., but seems to have res. at different times, both here and in his former home. He became possessed of several parcels of real estate in town, — some in the Centre, and some in other neighborhoods. He owned, at his decease, the Amasa Leland farm and the Dea. Nathan Chapin place, both ancient homesteads. He appears to have been a thrifty, prudent, orderly citizen. He d. somewhat unexpectedly, on his Chapin homestead, May 13, 1881.

BARKER, DANIEL L., shoemaker; long res. in town. No family record reported. He d. Sept. 25, 1881, 84th yr. Left a wid. and 1 married dr.

BARNES, CHARLES, of Hingham, ptge., ancestry, birth-date, etc., unknown to me; m. *Anna Whitney*, dr. of Elias and Lucy (Barnes) Whitney, b. Mil., Jan. 13, 1792; cer. Mil., Dec. 16, 1813, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

LUCY, b. Mil., Aug. 9, 1816; d. unm. Nov. 30, 1837.

Mr. Barnes d. comparatively young, but when and where I am not informed. Mrs. Anna, his wid., m., 2d, Alexander Cheney; cer. Jan. 21, 1829, by the writer. She was his 3d wf., and bore him, —

LAURA ANN, b. June 11, 1831; d. March 16, 1845, a. 13 yrs. See Cheney.

The mr. was again left a wid. by the death of Mr. Cheney, Nov. 2, 1843; and she herself d. April 27, 1854.

BARNES, JOHN, physician and surgeon, son of William and Elizabeth (Bowden) Barnes, b. in Buckfastleigh, County of Devon, Eng., 10th mo. 24th day, 1817; m. *Phebe Battey*, dr. of Smith and Ruth Muzzey (Aldrich) Battey, b. Burrillville, R.I., 7th mo. 17th day, 1834; cer. in Smithfield, R.I., 4th mo. 30th day, 1863, according to the order of Friends. Issue:—

ELIZABETH BOWDEN, b. Mil., 1st mo. 15th, 1870.
JOHN EDWARD, b. Mil., 2d mo. 29th, 1872.
JESSE BATTEY, b. Mil., 8th mo. 24th, 1874.
THOMAS ELWOOD, b. Mil., 11th mo. 27th, 1875.

A highly educated physician and surgeon, who has been in practice here over 27 yrs. He and his wf. are devoted members of the Society of Friends, and adorn their religious profession by well-ordered, exemplary lives.

BARTLETT. The Bartletts have been few and far between on our territory. *John Bartlett* of Weymouth was one of the original plantationists and proprietors of Mendon. He had a 20-acre lot assigned to him, which was just within our limits, at the extreme south-west corner of what is now Mil. This lot, with all its appurtenant rights, he or his heirs sold to John Sprague; and it was formally laid out to Sprague in 1670. What was long known as the Wing Kelley place included a part — perhaps the whole — of this 20-acre lot. Before Kelley's time it had long been owned by the Spragues, and had been called the Sprague place. What became of John Bartlett I have no information. I think he must have d. just before or soon after King Philip's war. I mention him because of his connection with one of the oldest settled spots on our territory.

BARTLETT, JEREMIAH, is the next of this name that I recollect among our inhabitants. He was the son of Joshua and Sally (Bright) Bartlett, b. in Newton or Needham, not far from the yr. 1800; m. *Rhanah Hagerney*, ptge., etc., not known by me; cer. in Mil., Feb. 24, 1826, by Rev. D. Long. I find but one child credited to this pair on our records; viz., CHARLES DAVIS, b. Dec. 8, 1826.

Just when Mr. B. came into town, and left, I am unable to state. He had several sisters, who m. here, and prob. came hither a few yrs. before his mge. The family moved to Newton, where Mr. B. d. seven or eight yrs. ago. I presume Mrs. B. may still survive. They were always reported honest, industrious, exemplary people.

BARTLETT, WELCOME JILLSON[4] (Brenton,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in Mendon, in the village now called East Blackstone, Feb. 6, 1819; mr.'s maiden name, Beulah Jillson; trained up a tin and sheet-iron smith, but has been for many yrs. in later life a hardware merchant; m. *Nancy Adams*, dr. of Silas and Dulcena (Sumner) Adams, b. in Brookfield, Aug. 2, 1821; cer. in New-York City, July 26, 1845, by Rev. John N. Parker. Never had but 1 child: —

ELDORA MARIA, b. Woonsocket, R.I., May 27, 1846; d. Sept. 6, 1847.

Mr. B.'s ancestor, on the father's side, came from Salem, and set. in the north-westerly part of what became Cumberland, R.I., and is now included in Woonsocket. I think it must previously have been on land claimed by Dedham. The first and second generation of these Bartletts were religiously attached to the Society of Friends; and the first Joseph, in his mature yrs., composed several pieces of religious sentiment in rhyme, which were afterwards printed. One of these pieces was entitled, "A Serious Call to such as are at Ease in their Sins." It opened thus: —

"You mortals all, both great and small,
Who are at ease in sin,
May you arise, unclose your eyes,
See the sad state you're in."

Another was entitled "A Father's Exhortation to his Children." The following are specimens: —

"But, oh! that mine may never join
The wicked and the vain,
But love the truth while in their youth,
And always so remain.
Where love and peace do never cease,
It is a happy state."

"Let not one day e'er pass away
Without some meditation,
How to fulfil God's holy will,
And to obtain salvation."

Littérateurs who adore the classic muse will not be greatly enraptured by such rhymes; but perhaps they might profitably exchange some of their elegant tinsel for Bartlett's homely stanzas.

Joseph[1] had 6 sons and 2 drs., whose names were Eber, Jacob, Abner, Joseph, Abel, Liven, Chloe, and Phebe. Joseph[2] had Eber, Elisha, Brenton, Phebe, Stephen, Naomi, and Sylvia. Brenton[3] had Welcome J., Leander, Stephen, and Hamilton. I must omit all further details concerning this lineage, however interesting to those most concerned. On the mr.'s side, Welcome J. descends from Nathaniel Jillson,[1] of the aforesaid Bartlett neighborhood, who had a son Nathaniel;[2] and he a son Welcome,[3] father of Mrs. Beulah (Jillson) Bartlett. Welcome Jillson was a favorite gd. son of Rev. Abner Ballou, whose wf.'s Christian name was Beulah. So he named his dr. after his gd. mr.; and she named her son after her fr., Welcome Jillson. He went first into the hardware business in town, with J. Lowell Heywood, firm Bartlett & Heywood. The present firm is Bartlett & Ellis. I believe the sterling worth of Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, in business and social circles, is too well known and appreciated to need any indorsement from my pen. They have at different periods of life res. in Woonsocket, Mil., Hop., Hopedale, and again in Mil.

BARTLETT, WARREN FRANCIS, has been at Hopedale some yrs. He has recently become a housekeeper there, and reports to me as follows: Son of George and Rebecca (Woodward) Bartlett; b. W. Medway, March 1, 1853; m. *Annie McLey*, dr. of Frank and Mary (Wallace) McLey, b. Glasgow, Scotland, May 1, 1860; cer. W. Medway, Aug. 22, 1879, by Rev. John Smith. No chn.

I see by the last-published Directory that we have at Braggville,—

BARTLETT, HENRY A., stone-cutter. No report from him. I know of no other Bartletts among us.

BATCHELDER, JAMES, stone-cutter and mason, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Etheridge) Batchelder, b. in Hopkinton, N.H., 1807; m. *Harriet Dimond*, dr. of Jacob R. and Abigail (Lawrence) Dimond, b. in Claremont, N.H., 1806; cer. in Boston, Dec. 19, 1836, by Rev. Baron Stowe. Issue:—

JAMES BARON STOWE, b. Quincy, May 1, 1838; d. Jan. 29, 1850.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, b. Quincy, Dec. 29, 1840; d. Jan. 29, 1867.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Quincy, Dec. 11, 1842; m. in Upton, Aug. 18, 1866; d. April 26, 1869.

LAWRENCE ETHERIDGE, b. Quincy, May 29, 1844; m. in Woonsocket, R.I., March 7, 1871.

JACOB LINDSAY, b. Quincy, Oct. 30, 1846; m. in So. Abington, Dec. 29, 1875.

JOHN HENRY, b. Mil., July 2, 1849; m. in So. Abington, Dec. 29, 1875.

Grandchn.:—

LILLA, only child of George W., b. Mil., June 19, 1867.

HARRY, son of Lawrence E., b. Mil., Dec. 10, 1871.

GERTRUDE, dr. of Lawrence E., b. Mil., July 8, 1873.

HATTIE ADELAIDE, dr. of Jacob L., b. So. Abington, Sept. 30, 1875.

HELEN U., dr. of John H., b. Rockland, Me., Oct. 13, 1878.

Worthy parents and family. Res. in Quincy at first, but in Mil. nearly 30

yrs. Mr. B. d. on his homestead, Cortland St., Oct. 5, 1878. His wid. still survives him there.

BATCHELDER, WARREN, stone-cutter, appears in Directory of 1856.

BATCHELDER, WILLIAM G., driver, appears in Directory of 1869.

BATCHELDER, HIRAM T., moulder, appears in Directory of 1872.

BATCHELDER, GEORGE, carpenter, appears in Directory of 1878.

Perhaps a few transient dwellers of the name at sundry periods.

BATES. Not many of this name have dwelt permanently within our limits; but some have, and many in the near vicinity. I shall include such of the latter as have had intimate relationships here, and have lived near our borders. I suppose all our Bateses of this general vicinity must be descendants of Clement Bates, who came from Kent Co., Eng., in ship "Elizabeth," 1635, and set. in Hingham. He is said to have been a tailor, and to have brought over with him, at the a. of 40 yrs., wf. Ann, a. 40; son James, a. 14; Clement, a. 12; dr. Rachel, a. 8; son Joseph, a. 5; and Benjamin, a. 2. He had a son Samuel, and perhaps other chn. b. here. The first of this name in our general region were Ezekiel, Laban, and Joseph, — three bros., as I infer; but I cannot link them to their immigrant ancestor, nor can I give their birth-dates.

BATES, EZEKIEL, m. *Abigail Legg;* cer. April 9, 1767, by Rev. A. Frost. They set. in Bell., and had several sons and drs. Among these were John, Esq., Otis, Ezekiel, jun., etc. I leave the family untraced.

BATES, LABAN, m. *Olive Wheelock* of our precinct; cer. Dec. 28, 1768, by Rev. A. Frost. They set. in the skirts of Bell. and Mendon. Among their chn. were Eli, Nahum, etc.

BATES, JOSEPH, m., 1st, *Sarah Hayward,* and set. close upon our borders. They had —

ISAAC, b. Feb. 28, 1763.

MARTHA, b. Dec. 20, 1764; m. David Chapin, Feb. 12, 1784.

MARY, b. Feb. 10, 1767; m. Peter Holbrook.

MICHAEL, b. May 13, 1769.

CLARK, b. Oct. 20, 1770.

SALLY, b. Nov. 29, 1772; m. Nathan Holbrook.

HANNAH, b. April 10, 1775; m. Seth Holbrook.

Mrs. Sarah d.; date not found. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha Chilson,* April 8, 1779; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

JOSEPH, b. 1779; set. in Cincinnati, O.

BENJAMIN, b. Dec. 6, 1780; m. Rhoda Kelley, Feb. 23, 1806.

JOSHUA, b. March 20, 1782; m. Rebecca Douglas.

JOHN, b. June 15, 1784; untraced.

JEDEDIAH, b. July 10, 1786; d. unm. April 20, 1857.

REBECCA, b. Dec. 18, 1788; m. Simon P. Bicknell, Feb. 28, 1828. She d. June 1, 1872.

The hus. and fr. d. April 1, 1793. Mrs. Martha, the 2d wf. and wid., d. Aug. 14, 1824.

BATES, ISAAC, eldest son of Joseph, dwelt at one time on our territory. I have been unable to trace his family record.

BATES, MICAH, m. *Urania Thayer,* May 22, 1771; cer. by Rev. A. Frost; but I am uncertain who he was; possibly a bro. of Ezekiel, Laban, and Joseph. He seems to have had a dr. LAVINIA, b. Feb. 10, 1772, and a son JOSEPH, b. June 3, 1774. No further traced.

BATES, BENJAMIN, of So. Milford neighborhood, son of Joseph and Martha

(Chilson) Bates, b. Dec. 6, 1780; m. *Rhoda Kelley*, dr. of George and Keziah Kelley, b. So. Mil., March 18, 1787; cer. Feb. 23, 1806. Their chn.:—

HARRIET, b. July 3, 1807; m. Josiah Congdon, Sept. 3, 1829.

GEORGE, b. April 29, 1810; m. Ellen Barkley, April 12, 1835.

CELISSA, b. Nov. 1, 1812; m. James H. Penniman, Jan. 15, 1832.

BENJAMIN, jun., b. March 11, 1816; m. Susan R. Payson, March 14, 1839.

JOSEPH, b. Feb. 23, 1819; m. Maria Parker.

RUSSELL, b. date not found; merchant, Boston; m., and had fam. there; d. there.

Benjamin Bates, the fr., d. date not at command. Mrs. Rhoda, his wid., d. Aug. 24, 1878.

BATES, BENJAMIN, jun., son of Benjamin and Rhoda (Kelley) Bates, b. March 11, 1816; m. *Susan R. Payson;* cer. Mendon, March 14, 1839, by the writer. They res. at one time within our south-western limits, on the Wing Kelley place, and had two births recorded here; viz., —

CHARLOTTE LOUISA, b. Mendon, May 5, 1840; and SALLY F. A., b. Jan. 6, 1843.

I hoped to obtain a full family record from Mr. B., and also from his kindred now residing in E. Mendon, but found no convenient opportunity to do so.

BATES, DAVIS HERBERT (John, John, Ezekiel, etc.,); mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Prince Fisher; b. Bell., Aug. 1, 1843; salesman and trader; m. *Ida Jane Ambler*, dr. of Jeremiah D. and Angeline (Morse) Ambler, b. Mil., June 21, 1850; cer. Mil., Jan. 19, 1870, by Rev. G. L. Demarest.

Mrs. Ida Jane's mr. d. when she was a babe; and she was *virtually*, though not *legally*, adopted by James R. Davis and wf., brought up in their family, and bore the name, in common parlance, of Ida Jane Davis. Issue:—

LIDA REBECCA, b. Mil., May 6, 1873.

JOHN IRVING, b. Mil., July 3, 1877.

BATES, JULIUS, son of Peter and Sybil (Hill) Bates, a descendant of Laban, b. Mendon (now Blackstone), Feb. 27, 1827; m. *Sarah W. Holbrook*, dr. of Luther and Mary Ann (Flagg) Holbrook, b. Mil., March 19, 1831; cer. at the parental res., May 14, 1848, by the writer. Issue:—

DANIEL ELMER, b. March 10, 1849; d. Nov. 2, 1872, a. 23 yrs. 7 mos.

MARY ANN, b. Jan. 8, 1851; m. George R. Withington, Oct. 12, 1871.

SARAH LOUISA, b. Aug. 18, 1852; m. Samuel Gaskill, 2d, May 18, 1870.

ERNEST, b. May 9, 1854; d. Aug. 27, 1856, in Uxbridge.

ERNEST, b. Dec. 11, 1857; m. Kate Dagman, July, 1879.

CATHERINE FRANCES, b. Feb. 14, 1861; d. April 26, 1862.

UNNAMED SON, b. May 10, 1872; d., a. 3 hours.

This family have res. mostly in town since mge. They have 4 gd. chn.; names, etc., not given.

BATES, ELI, bro. of Julius; m. *Louisa Hall*, dr. of Andrew and Maranda Hall; cer. Hopedale, Aug. 16, 1848, by the writer. They res. in Mendon. I have not their family record.

BATES, WHITMAN, son of Nahum and gd. son of Laban, res. briefly at So. Milford with wf. *Lucy Ann*, and had one birth recorded here; viz., —

FREDERICK, b. Aug. 22, 1831.

BATHRICK, JONATHAN; pedigree, etc., not traced; m. *Experience Hayward*, dr. of Jacob and Elizabeth (Thayer) (Heath) Hayward; birth-date not found; cer. 1810, by whom not found. Their chn.:—

Wilber Heath, b. Mil., April 7, 1811; d. July 22, 1813.

Elizabeth Thayer, b. Mil., May 21, 1814; m. —— Smith, Waterford. She d. over 30 yrs. ago.

Harriet, b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1816; d. unm., Whitinsville, some 10 yrs. since.

Lucinda Thayer, b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1820; res., unm., Whitinsville, and her aged mother with her.

Hopestill, b. Mil., Aug. 14, 1823; m., 1st, John Gaffney, Sept. 1, 1852; 2d, C. A. Mott.

George, b. Mil., June 3, 1825; m., set., and d. in Whitinsville; d. 2 yrs. ago.

Warren, b. Mil., 1827; m., set., and res. in Whitinsville.

Mr. B. moved his family to Jenksville, near Woonsocket, R.I., in the spring of 1828; was then in a decline, and d. there April, 1828. His wid. has long survived him; moved many yrs. since to Whitinsville, making a home for herself and unm. drs., and is cared for by her dr. Lucinda at the venerable a. of about 92 yrs. Her dr. Hopestill has res. several yrs. in Springfield. There she buried her 1st hus., and now lives with her 2d, Charles A. Mott, at one time a boot and shoe dealer in Mil.

BATHRICK, Alanson, farmer; res. S. Mil. Directory, 1856.

I have found no others of this name on our records.

BATTLE. I infer that Battelle, Battle, and Battles are different spellings of the same original name, though I cannot be certain of it. Savage, in his Dictionary, treats of no Battles, but only of "Battelle or Baitle;" and he seems to make Thomas of Dedham the common ancestor in this country, but does not tell whence he came, or when, — only he was of Ded. in 1642. Our first Battle was James. He was from Holl., where he formerly had a wf. and 4 chn.; viz., —

Olive, b. June 22, 1757.

James, b. June 27, 1759.

Joseph, b. Sept. 11, 1762; and Anne, Sept. 1, 1764.

His Holl. wf. d., and he came into our precinct, where he m. Wid. *Beulah Stearns*, May 8, 1766; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She had borne her former hus. numerous chn.; but none are reported as the issue of this 2d mge. He dwelt in the No. Purchase with his wf. on a part of the Jona. Stearns place, north of the Balls, toward Hop. line. She d. March 31, 1804, and he m., for his 3d wf., *Mrs. Lucy Stowe* of Grafton. I find no record of his death, and suspect he may have left town to end his days elsewhere. There was a John Battle here in 1781, who had a son John bap. at that time by Rev. Mr. Frost; but nothing more is told of him. I suppose these families must have descended, on the male side, from Thomas of Dedham; but I cannot denote their successive generations. I think no family connection of this name appeared within our limits again, except, perhaps, very transiently, till after 1843. Between this date and 1860 several bros. of a talented, enterprising, and vigorous-minded family, came into town, and, for several years, took a very influential position in its educational, manufacturing, and political affairs.

BATTLES. These were Edwin, Jonathan, Winslow, and Dean F. Battles. Meantime their brother, Amory Battles, and sister Mary were teachers of our public schools for longer or shorter periods. Although pecuniary success did not seem to crown their executive enterprise in business, in consequence of which they all ultimately departed to more promising spheres of personal activity, they made indelible marks on the progress of our municipal community. Their intellectual vigor kept the social waters in lively motion during their stay among us.

Edwin came here in 1852 to take charge of the packing and shipping departments in the establishment of Underwood, Godfrey, & Co. After two yrs. he built a shop on Granite St., and began to manufacture boots in company with his bros. Winslow and Dean F., under the firm name of "Battles & Brothers." Two yrs. later they formed a copartnership with Gen. O. Underwood under the firm name of "O. Underwood & Battles Brothers." The business of this firm was large, and of varying results. It was dissolved at the end of three yrs. by original limitation, and the former firm of "Battles Bros." re-established. This continued till the breaking out of the Rebellion. Edwin went on manufacturing boots six or seven yrs. longer; then he bought him a farm in Harvard, and moved thither in 1869. He sold that farm in 1871, and went to Boston, where he now res. From 1873 to 1876 he was clerk in the United-States lighthouse inspector's office.

Edwin took a very prominent and responsible part in the establishment of our town library, as the records of 1858 clearly show; also in the management of our school affairs, as a prominent member of the general committee, carrying them through some difficult crises, and promoting educational progress. He was no less conspicuous and serviceable during the war of the Rebellion on committees of provision and relief for the soldiers. He was himself unable to take the field, but sent two of his sons to the defence of the Union. For particulars to his credit, I need only refer to the records and printed documents of those days.

Winslow Battles came here in 1854 from Boston, where he had been a successful teacher in the public schools some 12 or 14 yrs., to join his bros. in the boot-manufacture. He was soon placed on the School Board, and there made himself an excellent record in matters of important educational improvement. He was, at the same time, supt. of the Universalist Sunday school, and an active member of the ch. choir. In 1860 he was elected senator to Gen. Court, where he was made chairman of the committee on education, and exerted a successful influence in granting State aid to the since popular "Institute of Technology." He was again elected to the State Senate in 1863, and gave his warmly sympathetic support to all the administrative measures of the great war governor, John A. Andrew. He went to California in 1865, returned in 1870, and now res. in Randolph, doing business in Boston. He has strongly characterized himself as a worker for others, and a promoter of human improvement.

Jonathan Battles taught school successfully in Boston about 20 yrs.; being absent from his post scarcely a single working day during the whole time. He came here in 1858, and joined the firm of "Battles Bros." After its dissolution he taught the grammar-school on the "Plain." He now res. in Dorchester.

Dean F. Battles came to Mil. in 1845 or 1846, and taught the No. Purchase school. Afterwards he taught several yrs. in Boston. In 1854 he came hither again, and joined the firm of "Battles Bros." Next he spent some yrs. in the employ of "Clement, Colburn, & Co.," and in 1874 went to Joliet, Ill., where he now res. He was, at my last advices, foreman in the cutting-room of a large Chicago "boot and shoe house," which employs numerous State Prison convicts at Joliet.

Amory Battles came here in 1843-44, taught the No. Purchase school, and later, for several terms, in the Centre dist. He was very popular as a teacher with all classes. He distinguished himself by excluding from his discipline all corporal punishment, which he deemed wrong in principle and worse than useless in practice. He afterward fitted himself, by academic and collegiate studies,

to enter the Divinity School at Cambridge; whence, in 1850, he was called to settle as pastor of the Universalist Society in Bangor, Me. His pastorate was a very successful one, and lasted nearly a quarter of a century. He was highly esteemed by all classes, and rendered his society eminently flourishing. He devoted himself especially to the moral and humanitary reforms, laboring hard for the educational and social elevation of the people. He m. Pamelia Barker in 1854, and has a son Paul some 24 yrs. of age. His only dr. d. in infancy.

Rev. Amory recd. a call, some six yrs. ago, to settle over a society in Newton, Mass., and moved thither. But for some reason he continued there only about a yr. He then returned to Bangor, where he now dwells, supplying pulpits as a temporary preacher.

Mary Battles, who became the wf. of Abraham Mead, Esq., taught school in Mil. during three or four terms in 1852–53. Her hus. was an employé of "Battles Bros." from 1854 two yrs., and later of "Underwood, Battles, & Bros." The family moved to Braintree some 12 yrs. since.

This general family of bros., sisters, etc., have made themselves a remarkable record as educators. There are eight of them in the same generation; and they claim to have taught school in various places, all counted together, over 100 yrs. In theology they have ranked themselves as Unitarians; in moral and social reform, Abolitionists; in politics, Free-Soilers and Republicans.

Whether they are descendants of the Thomas Battle in Dedham mentioned by Savage, I cannot assure myself, though I think it probable. There are links missing, or at least of uncertainty. Mitchell's History of Bridgewater says, "John Battles (from Plymouth) settled in Stoughton Corner, within the North Parish of Bridgewater, and m. Hannah, dr. of Edward Curtis, and had John, Jonathan, Samuel, Asa, Uriah, Edward, Curtis, Rebecca, and Susanna. . . . Jonathan m. Hannah, dr. of Joseph Porter, and settled in Stoughton." This Jonathan was the gd. fr. of our "Battles Bros." So much is certain. What lies behind, between John of Plymouth and Thomas of Dedham, I leave to conjecture, or to genealogical research. To be sure of my reckoning, I will not go beyond John of Plymouth, but set him down as generation,[1] and tabulate accordingly.

BATTLES, JONATHAN[2] (John[1]), mason and farmer; b. Stoughton, 1755; m. *Hannah*, dr. of Joseph Porter, b. Stoughton, 1757; cer. 1785. Their chn.: —

JONATHAN, b. 1786; m. Meriah Dickerman, 1811.
HANNAH, b. 1788; m. Hosea Osgood.
JOSEPH } (twins), b. 1790; m. Judith French.
BENJAMIN } b. 1790; m. Charlotte Smith.
BETSEY, b. 1792; d. unm.
FRANK, b. 1794; d. unm.
CYRUS, b. 1796; m. Eliza Morton.
ELIZABETH, b. 1799; m. Lemuel Drake.

The mr. d. in Stoughton, 1827; the fr. d. there 1830.

BATTLES, JONATHAN[3] (Jonathan,[2] John[1]), mason and farmer; b. Stoughton, 1786; m. *Meriah Dickerman*, dr. of Peter and Rebekah (Tilden) Dickerman, b. Stoughton, 1789; cer. Stoughton, 1811, by Rev. Dr. Edward Richmond. Their chn.: —

JONATHAN, b. 1812; m. Lucy Pope of Dorchester, 1840.
EDWIN, b. 1814; m. Josephine Curtis of Boston, 1843.
MERIAH D., b. 1816; m. Richard Stearns of Randolph, 1852.

WINSLOW, b. 1818; remained single at last report.
MARY, b. 1820; m. Abraham Mead of Littleton, 1845.
AMORY, Rev., b. 1823; m. Pamelia Barker of Bangor, Me., 1854.
DEAN FORBES, b. 1825; m. Anna B. Page of Newburyport, 1854.
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, b. 1827; d. in infancy.
ABIGAIL CLARISSA, b. 1829; remained single at last report.

All these are living but Benjamin F., who d. as above. Their mr. d. 1868. Their fr. d. 1871.

BATTLES, EDWIN[4] (Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. 1814; m. *Josephine Curtis*, dr. of Daniel Tural and Eliza Gray (Bixby) Curtis, b. Cambridge, 1819; cer. in Boston, 1843, by Rev. William M. Rogers. Their chn.:—
EDWIN MORTIMER, b. 1845; m. Lovisa M. Daniels, Holl., 1870; 1 son.
FRANK, b. 1847; m. Ida Cloud, Concord, N.H., 1878.
JULIA MARY, b. 1848.
JOSEPHINE CURTIS, b. 1850; m. Edward F. Woodbury, Boston, 1874; 2 chn.
WENDELL PHILLIPS, b. 1858.

The first 4 of these chn. were b. in Billerica; the last named in Mil. Not having at command the family records of the other Battles bros. who once res. here, I conclude where I am.

BAY, ISSACHER, of Hopkinton, and *Matilda Crocker*, of Mil., both negroes, were m. June 2, 1789, by Amariah Frost, Esq. No further traced.

JOHN BEAL, from Hingham, Norfolk Co., Eng., come over in the ship Diligent, and landed in Boston, Aug. 10, 1638. He brought with him 5 sons and 2 drs. He set. in New Hingham (our Hingham); was a shoemaker; was made freeman soon after his arrival, and in 1649 represented Hingham in Gen. Ct. He lived to be about 100 yrs. old, and from him has descended a host of those bearing the name Beal. At one period we had many of this name here for a considerable time; but death and emigration have nearly extinguished the race in Mil. The following tabulations present their genealogy:—

BEAL, DANIEL[5] (Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1729; m. *Mehetabel Byram*, 1750. They were recd. into the Cong. ch. here from the 3d Ch., Bridgewater, July 13, 1760. Their chn.:—
SAMUEL, b. Bridgewater, 1750; m. Sarah Saunders, March 16, 1775.
DANIEL, b. Bridgewater, 1753; no further traced.
JOSHUA, b. Bridgewater, 1755; no further traced.
MEHETABEL, b. Bridgewater, 1758; m. Joseph Green of Worthington, 1777.
JOSIAH, b. in our Precinct, Jan. 6, 1761; no further traced.

The fr. d. soon after the birth of Josiah, and his wid., Mehetabel, m. Robert Saunders, April 24, 1764; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. I think Daniel Beal dwelt at one time in the near vicinity of now Hopedale.

BEAL, BENJAMIN[5] (Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1733; m. *Sarah* ——, date not found. They were recd. into the Cong. ch. here from the 3d Ch., Bridgewater, July 20, 1766. Their chn.:—
ISAAC, b. Bridgewater, 1753; m. Prudence ——, perhaps in Uxbridge.
LEVI, b. Bridgewater, 1755; m. Anna Saunders, July 22, 1776.
DAVID, b. in our Precinct, Jan. 5, 1769.

This family lived in the north-westerly part of our territory, and must have emigrated at a date not ascertained.

BEAL, NATHAN[5] (Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1727; m. *Bathsheba* ——, ptge., date, etc., not found. Their chn.:—
MARY, b. Bridgewater, 1750; m. Nehemiah Shaw, 1775.

NATHAN, b. Bridgewater, 1752; not traced.
NEHEMIAH, b. Bridgewater, 1755; not traced.
JOHN, b. Bridgewater, 1759; m. Silence Atwood, Oct. 19, 1780.
ENOS, b. in our Precinct, June 19, 1761; m. Relief Cheney, June 25, 1784.
DAVID, b. in our Precinct, March 25, 1763; not traced.
ASA, b. in our Precinct, Nov. 22, 1765; m. Olive Cheney, Sept. 2, 1790.
BETHIAH, b. in our Precinct, July 30, 1770; m. Moses Davis, Sept. 2, 1790.

This family res. in the northerly or north-westerly part of our territory. I have been unable to trace their experiences further as to births, deaths, removals, etc., except in the case of Asa, who reared a large family in what is called our "City" School District. See in place.

BEAL, SAMUEL[6] (Daniel,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1750; m. *Sarah Saunders*, dr. of Robert, sen., and Sarah (Cheney) Saunders, b. May 7, 1752; cer. March 16, 1775, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

DANIEL, bap. Aug. 4, 1776; no further traced.
SARAH, bap. June 14, 1877; the fr. said to have just decd. The family no further traced, except that Sarah m. Charles Cheney, Nov. 28, 1797.

BEAL, ISAAC[6] (Benjamin,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1753; m., perhaps in Ux., *Prudence* ——, ptge., etc., not found. They were recd. into the Cong. ch. from Ux. ch. previous to 1776. They had 2 chn. b. and bap. here; viz., —

BETSEY, b. Feb. 24, 1776.
HORATIO, b. Oct. 23, 1777.

This family no further traced.

BEAL, LEVI[6] (Benjamin,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, 1755; m. *Anna Saunders*, dr. of Robert, sen., and Sarah (Cheney) Saunders, b. March 6, 1746; cer. July 22, 1776, by Rev. A. Frost. Only 1 child recorded here: —

LEVI, b. April 13, 1777; d. the ensuing Nov.

This family no further traced; emigrated to unascertained parts.

There was a Wid. MARY BEAL m. to Daniel Haywood of Worcester, July 21, 1763, by Rev. A. Frost. This Mrs. Mary I have failed to trace.

BEAL, ASA[6] (Nathan,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in our Precinct, Nov. 22, 1765; m. *Olive Cheney*, dr. of Caleb, sen., and Mary (Wheelock) Cheney, b. April 14, 1772; cer. Sept. 2, 1790, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

SABRA, b. Nov. 4, 1790; d. Aug. 19, 1798.
BETSEY, b. Nov. 29, 1791; m. Otis Taft, Upton, June 19, 1811; res. Oxford, a. 87.
SAMUEL, b. June 18, 1793; untraced.
BATHSHEBA, b. Oct. 6, 1794; m. —— Tucker; res. Monson, a. 85.
SOPHIA, b. Jan. 5, 1796; m. —— Hill; res. Medfield, a. 83.
NATHAN, b. April 29, 1797; d. Aug. 9, 1798.
HANNAH, b. June 6, 1798; untraced.
OLIVE, b. Feb. 25, 1800; m. —— Stevens; res. Ohio, a. 79.
LORENA } (twins), b. May 24, 1801; m. —— Richardson; res. Medway, a. 78.
LUCINDA } b. May 24, 1801; untraced.
ADOLPHUS, b. March 31, 1803; emigrated 1826; no further traced.
ASA, jun., b. Sept. 10, 1804; untraced.
MARY WHEELOCK, b. Jan. 3, 1806; untraced.
SABRA ANN, b. May 3, 1810; m. —— Smith: res. Monson, a. 69.

SALLY CHENEY, b. Jan. 21, 1812; untraced.

The mr. d. in Mil., 1826, as I have been told, and the fr. in Med., 1849, though I found no record of either death. Six of the drs. were said to be living in 1878, as above indicated. Adolphus left town in 1825 or 1826. Thus all disappeared from among us long ago. Their home was in the "City," so called, or in the neighborhood of the Asylum. The family was a famous large one anyhow.

BEAL, DAVID,[6] of Boston (Joseph,[5] David,[4] Jacob,[3] Jacob,[2] John[1]), m. *Sarah McArthur*, in Boston, Oct. 12, 1813. They moved to Western Pa. He d. Sept. 6, 1821, and was buried somewhere on the banks of the Ohio River, — the spot unknown to his chn. Those chn. are, —

DAVID, b. Birmingham, Pa., Nov. 3, 1814; m., 1st, Sarah P. Ball; 2d, Emeline Hotchkiss.

HARRIET, b. Birmingham, Pa., March 2, 1817; m. Alvin C. Robbins, April 16, 1848.

JOHN MCARTHUR, b. Birmingham, Pa., May 16, 1820; res. in the far West.

The widowed mr. returned in sad circumstances to the East with her orphans, and one at least of them, David, came to this town in early youth. The mr. d. with the family of her son David, at Hopedale, May 15, 1867, a. 78 yrs. 3 mos.

BEAL, DAVID[7] (David,[6] Joseph,[5] David,[4] Jacob,[3] Jacob,[2] John[1] the English immigrant), b. Birmingham, Pa., Nov. 3, 1814; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah McArthur; m., 1st, *Sarah Palmer Ball*, dr. of Zenas and Betsey (Tilton) Ball, b. Mil., Aug. 13, 1817; cer. June 13. 1838, by the writer. One son: —

DAVID FRANCIS, b. Oct. 22, 1839; res. Climax, Kan.

Mrs. Sarah d. at Hopedale, Oct. 4, 1846. The hus. m., 2d, *Emeline Hotchkiss*, dr. of Benjamin and Hannah Hotchkiss, b. in Prospect, Ct., Dec. 14, 1819; cer. Feb. 28, 1850, by the writer. One son: —

RUFUS GILBERT, b. Hopedale, Nov. 11, 1854; m. Emma Scriven, Nov. 12, 1879.

Quiet, meditative, thoughtful, worthy people, husband and wives, deeply interested in the reforms of the age, industrious, frugal, peaceable, kind, and neighborly. The hus., a bootmaker by trade, and 1st wife, came to Hopedale in 1843. He soon joined the Community, as did his 2d wife at a later date. Both remained members till after the dissolution of the industrial arrangements in 1856, and were sharers in the great disappointment occasioned by that result. They continued to reside at Hopedale till 1879, when they took up their abode on the Dea. Tyler (*alias* Alex. Thayer) homestead, in the northeasterly part of Mendon, dwelling with their son Rufus and his recently m. wf.

BEARD, THOMAS, sen., and THOMAS, jun., long ago owned an 80-acre farm, bounded northerly by the ancient Ichabod Thayer place, lately owned by Justin E. Eames; easterly on what is now Congress St.; southerly on land then owned by Ebenezer Boynton, Rev. Amariah Frost, and Samuel Torrey; and westerly by now Highland St. The fr. and son joined in conveying this estate to John Hill, March 16, 1757. Either the fr. or son, or both, appear to have owned and dwelt on a part of this estate as early at least as 1728. I do not clearly understand whether Thomas, sen., res. much here, but rather infer that he may have done so only transiently. Thomas, jun., was permanently on the premises from 1728, or earlier, to the time of sale in 1757. Whence they came, or whither they went, I have no information. Mendon records show that —

BEARD, Thomas, jun., m. *Susannah Walker* of Hop., Dec. 28, 1732, and had Ruth, Aaron, Asa, William, Amite, Amos, Abigail, and Susannah, birth-dates not given; but Rev. Mr. Frost gives the baptismal dates of four; viz., William, bap. Feb. 12, 1743; Amos, May 25, 1746; Abigail, Oct. 2, 1748; and Susannah, Jan. 26, 1752.

Other records show that Aaron Beard m. *Elizabeth Streeter*, June 12, 1755; cer. by Daniel Haven, Esq.; also that Thomas Beard (whether fr. or son I am uncertain) was one of the original members of our Cong. ch., formed April 15, 1741. I see that the deed of 1757 is signed by Thomas, sen., Thomas, jun., and Hannah. I suspect that Hannah may have been merely an *alias* synonyme for Susannah. This is all I can tell of the only Beards recollected ever to have dwelt on our territory.

BELKNAP, Lyman Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer and Amelia O. (Bailey) Belknap; b. Mil., April 19, 1852; m. *Anna Ware*, dr. of David and Betsey (Pettis) Ware, b. Franklin, Oct. 7, 1854; cer. Mil., April 19, 1872, by Rev. C. W. Redding. Issue:—

Forrest Lyman, b. Mil., Aug. 24, 1874.

BELKNAP, Ebenezer, fr. of the preceding, has long dwelt in town, and I hoped to have heard from him, but have not. Whether he has other chn. I know not. From my own mge. regr. I can give so much of his family record as follows: son of Joseph and Sabra Belknap, b. (prob. Hop.) 1824; m. *Amelia Osborne Bailey*, dr. of William and Ann (Tilton) Bailey, b. Mil., Aug. 18, 1830; cer. at Hopedale, April 5, 1846, by the writer. These Belknaps are all industrious, orderly, reputable people.

BEMIS, John, lived on our territory in the North Purchase, or at least had common land laid out to him south-east of Maspenock Pond, adjacent to Josiah Ball's and Samuel Warren's farms, March 9, 1733. The records say nothing of his having any wf. or chn., nor, indeed, any thing more about him.

BEMIS, Parkman, pedigree not ascertained, and wf., Sarah (Brick) Bemis, had their home in our "City" district for many yrs. They became members of the Cong. ch. in 1832, and had the following-named chn. bap. during that yr.:—

Sylvia Jones, b. date not found; m. John Hanly, Oct. 16, 1834.

Harrison Gray Otis, b. May 30, 1824; m. Cassandana Blaskfield, 1851.

Alonzo Francis, b. 1828; m. Olive Smith, 1854.

The parents trod the humbler avenues of life, were quiet, orderly, and inoffensive, and passed out of this mortal vale in hope of a better life. Death-dates wanting; d. between 1869 and 1872.

BEMIS, Harrison Gray Otis, son of Parkman and Sarah (Brick) Bemis, b. Mil. May 30, 1824, farm-laborer; m. *Cassandana Blaskfield*, dr. of Ira and Electa (Sears) Blaskfield, b. Dover, Vt., Sept. 1, 1822; cer. Newfane, Vt., June 30, 1851, by Rev. Alanson H. Stearns. Issue:—

Emma E., b. Mil., May 20, 1853; d. Oct. 11, 1854.

Warren G., b. Newfane, Vt., Oct. 11, 1855; d. May 21, 1861.

William H., b. Mil., April 15, 1857; d. Sept. 29, 1857.

Albert H., b. Mil., May 2, 1861; d. Oct. 18, 1861.

A peaceable, well-disposed, sadly desolated family.

BEMIS, Alonzo Francis, bro. of the preceding; b. Mil., 1828; boot-click; m. *Olive Smith*, dr. of Ezra and Catherine (McDonald) Smith, b. Cabot, Vt., 1834; cer. South Royalton, Vt., 1854. Issue:—

NELLIE, b. Mil., April 25, 1854.

ETTA L., b. Hop., 1856; d. Hop., 1860, a. 3 yrs. 9 mos. 19 ds.

Mrs. Olive d. Dec. 2, 1877, leaving her bereaved hus. and dr. to battle with the adversities of an inauspicious but well-meant life.

No others of this name recollected as res. in town.

BENNETT. Few of this name have ever res. in town. The first one known to me was Nathaniel Bennett. I have understood that he came from Marblehead, or vicinity, between the yrs. 1802 and 1806. He was a tailor by occupation, and the first man-tailor that started a shop of that kind in town. He opened in the Centre, and afterwards built him a domicile opposite the Parish Park, near where the pound originally stood. In 1811 the town permitted Mr. Bennett to remove the pound to its present location, near the north-west corner of the old burying-ground. Many yrs. later he sold out in the Centre, and bought, with the buildings, a part of the Adams Chapin place, where he lived until his death in 1855.

BENNETT, NATHANIEL, tailor and farmer; ancestry not traced; b. Marblehead about 1777; m., 1st, *Polly Simpson* of Mendon, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. prob. in Mendon, early in the yr. 1806, by whom not learned. Their chn.:—

SALLY, b. May 1, 1807; understood to res. in Plymouth unm.

IZANNA, b. Nov. 1, 1808; m. Reuben F. Perham, Dec. 4, 1831.

SETH DAVENPORT, b. June 5, 1811; d. young, I think.

INFANT, b. ——; d. Dec. 19, 1815.

Mrs. Polly d. April 21, 1820. The hus. m., 2d, *Prudence White*, dr. of Smith White, b. in Mendon, April 30, 1792; cer. in Mil., Aug. 6, 1820, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Their chn:—

WILLIS, b. June 27, 1821; d. Dec. 4, 1845.

WILLARD, b. Sept. 29, 1824; m. twice; several chn. by present wf.; res. Blackstone.

SYLVIA, b. Sept. 16, 1827; m. Nathan Johnson, Nov. 18, 1846.

GEORGE, birth-date not found; d. young.

SYLVESTER, birth-date not found; d. young.

HORACE, birth-date not found; d. young.

Quiet, well-disposed people. Mr. B. d. Nov. 23, 1855, in his 79th yr. Mrs. Prudence, his wid., d. Sept. 5, 1856.

Bennetts mentioned in Mil. Directory for 1880:—

BENNETT, GEORGE W., boot finisher, bds. Mrs. M. S. Bennett's, Forest St.

BENNETT, HIRAM, painter, bds. Mrs. M. S. Bennett's, Forest St.

BENNETT, JOHN R., at ring shop, house Dutcher St.

BENNETT, MARY S., wid., house Forest St.

BENNETT, WALTER L., painter, bds. Mrs. M. S. Bennett's.

BENNETT, WILLIAM, painter, house Otis St.

None of these have communicated with me about their family records.

BENT, MICAH, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; came into town a widower, perhaps from Fram. or Holl.; a skilful bootmaker; and m. *Betsey M. Whitney*, wid. of Ethan Whitney; cer. Sept. 9, 1827, by the writer. Issue:—

MELLEN GREEN, b. Mil., Aug. 3, 1828.

Family believed to have moved to Bellingham.

BENT, GILBERT, son of Alpheus and Fanny (Smith) Bent; b. in Port George, N.S., Sept. 17, 1851; machinist; m. *Jennie Louise Darling*, dr. of Rodney

L. and Pamelia (Darling) Darling, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1853; cer. Mil., under the parental roof, Oct. 16, 1878, by the writer. Issue:—

George William, b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1879.

Mr. B. is an efficient mechanic, has a good wf., has lived much at Hopedale, but has recently moved to Woonsocket, R.I.

BERGIN, James, son of Daniel and Catherine (Humphrey) Bergin; b. in Ireland, Oct. 13, 1826; m. *Margaret Walsh*, dr. of William and Bridget (Cody) Walsh, b. in Ireland, date not given; cer. in Mil., Oct. 24, 1852, by Rev. Mr. Hamilton. Issue:—

Catherine E., b. Mil., Jan. 25, 1854; d. Dec., 1854.

Catherine E., b. Mil., Jan. 26, 1856; m. Feb. 8, 1880, to whom not given.

Mary E., b. Mil., March 15, 1859.

Daniel C., b. Mil., March 12, 1862.

Agnes F., b. Mil., April 21, 1865.

James, jun., b. Nov. 15, 1868; d. of diphtheria, Jan. 12, 1876.

Mr. B. is one of our most enterprising and exemplary Irish-Americans; a skilful carpenter and builder.

BICKNELL, Benjamin Cutler, son of Simon Peter Bicknell, b. in Providence, R.I., Oct., 1795; carpenter; m. *Susan Parkman*, dr. of Dr. Elias and Susannah (Larned, Johnson) Parkman, b. So. Mil., Feb. 25, 1796; cer. Aug., 1823. Issue:—

Elias Parkman, b. So. Mil., March 13, 1831; m. Louisa Blake, 1855.

I numbered among my personal and steadfast friends Benjamin C. and Susan P. Bicknell. They lived a life of plain, substantial usefulness, with little wealth and display, in good will, justice, and kindness to all within their social sphere. They long dwelt in a wing of the domicile on the Parkman place at So. Mil. I ministered at both their funerals. Mrs. B. d. Sept. 4, 1864. He d. at his only son's, in the part of E. Mendon included in the So. Mil. neighborhood, May 27, 1867. I earnestly solicited his son, Elias P., several times, to furnish me his family record, but have not recd. any. I learn that he m. Louisa Blake, eldest dr. of George W. and Lavinia (Bates) Blake, b. 1836; cer. Nov., 1855, by Rev. J. T. Massey. Also that they have had 2 chn., both now dead. They res. in Worcester, where he has been more or less employed on the Boston & Albany Railroad as an express agent and other transportation occupations.

BICKNELL, Simon Peter, bro. of Benjamin C., b. in Providence, R.I., June 10, 1803; m., 1st, *Rebecca Bates*, dr. of Joseph and Martha (Chilson) Bates, b. E. Mendon, Dec. 18, 1787; cer. Feb. 28, 1828, by Rev. Simeon Doggett. No chn.

He was drawn to this general vicinity in 1824, in consequence of his bro. Benjamin's example, who some yrs. before his mge. found pleasant employment and abode with Dr. Daniel Thurber, then the benignant cynosure of that neighborhood. Plain, homespun, worthy people. Mrs. Rebecca d. June 1, 1872. The hus. subsequently m. *Mary H. Burdick*, dr. of Roland and Anna Burdick, b. in Valentown, Ct., 1833; cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 23, 1873, by the writer. None but adopted or foster chn. A kind wf. solaces his old age, and ministers to him many comforts. Mr. B. has distinguished himself in his vicinage by liberally endowing what was formerly known as the Dr. Thurber Burying-place, which he has worthily resolved into the Bicknell Cemetery, and will leave it as a lasting memorial of his charity. His homestead and his cemetery are a little outside of our town limits, but perhaps not improperly noticed.

BILLINGS, William L., son of Samuel and Abigail (Adams) Billings, b.

Webster, June 28, 1824; m. *Eunice E. Kelley*, dr. of Moses and Waity (not given) Kelley, b. in now Blackstone, then Mendon So. Parish, April 22, 1824; cer. at Hopedale, May 18, 1847, by the writer. Issue:—

WILLIAM FRANCIS, b. E. Blackstone, March 8, 1848; m. Minnie Douglas, 1868; res. Albany, N.Y.

EUNICE ELDORA, b. E. Blackstone, April 10, 1852; d. June 14, 1854.

MOSES GILBERT, b. E. Blackstone, Feb. 18, 1853; m. Edith Blake, Nov., 1873.

A worthy family. Mr. B. came into town some 10 or 12 yrs. ago from E. Blackstone, and at first kept a livery stable. Since then he has been much employed by our selectmen as superintendent of street repairs.

BINNEY, Dr. JOHN, son of Dea. John and Hannah (Paine) Binney, b. in Hull, April 23, 1705. His gd. fr.'s name was also John of Hull. He m. *Hannah Jones*, dr. of Thomas and Mary (Loring) Jones, b. in Hull, Jan. 16, 1706; cer. in Hull, Oct. 21, 1726. Issue:—

JOHN, jun., b. Hull, Dec. 21, 1727; m., 1st, Elizabeth Ward; 2d, Dinah Beaman.

MARY, b. Hull, Jan. 23, 1729; m. —— Baldwin.

MOSES, b. Hull, Sept. 18, 1730; d. at sea between 1757 and 1764.

HANNAH, b. now Mil., March 20, 1732; m. —— Sprague before 1758.

SARAH, b. now Mil., Sept. 14, 1734; m. —— Cogsdell before 1758.

MERCY, b. now Mil., Oct. 17, 1736; m. Nathan Carter of Weston, April 10, 1754.

THOMAS, b. now Mil., July 24, 1739; physician and surgeon in Rev. army; m. L. Chadwick.

RACHEL, b. now Mil., prob. 1742; m. Josiah Seaverns of Weston, Oct. 4, 1765.

The parents removed from Hull, and set. here about the yr. 1731 on the estate which, in 1744, he sold to Rev. Amariah Frost. That homestead contained 50 acres, more or less. It was bounded northerly (perhaps) by Thomas Beard's land, easterly by now Congress St., southerly by now West St., and westerly by land of Samuel Torrey. John Binney, sen., does not appear to have practised medicine here, though he soon did after moving to Weston, in 1744 or 1745. He was one of the original members of our Cong. ch. He was a considerable landholder, as he deeded a tract of 100 acres to Edward Rawson (situation not understood) before leaving for Weston, besides his other sales. On locating in Weston he set up as a physician and surgeon with good success. He finally d. in Lincoln, where his gravestone bears the following inscriptions:—

"Here lie the remains of Dr. John Binney, a man much esteemed for his abilities and services in the healing art. He resigned this mortal life Aug. 14, 1760, a. 55 yrs."

"Beneath this stone death's prisoner lies:
This stone shall move, this prisoner rise,
When God, by his almighty word,
Calls his dear saints to meet their Lord."

His wid. m., 2d, Capt. Daniel Adams of Lincoln, Oct. 30, 1765. I am not informed of her death-date.

BINNEY, Capt. AMOS, a successful mariner of Hull, was bro. to Dr. John. At one time he was copartner with Thomas Bailey in the ownership of what became the Twitchell farm. See the facts stated under the name

Thomas Bailey. He always res., when home from sea, in Hull. Whether he was ever m. and had chn. I know not.

BINNEY, John, jun.[4] (Dr. John,[3] Dea. John,[2] John[1]), b. in Hull, Dec. 21, 1727; came hither with his parents; joined the Cong. ch. in 1744; and was m., 1st, to *Elizabeth Ward* of this vicinage; cer. Dec. 6, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. He followed his fr. to Weston, but res. successively afterwards in Lincoln, Marlboro', and New Ipswich, N.H., being an enterprising farmer. He had 1 dr.: —

Elizabeth, by wf. Elizabeth, b. 1756.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. in Lincoln, Sept. 31, 1756. The hus. m., 2d, *Dinah Beaman* of Lancaster, 1757, by whom he had —

Mary, b. 1759; Moses, 1761; Abigail, 1763; John, 1764; David, 1770; Thomas, 1771; — all b. in Lincoln.

He d. New Ipswich, N.H., Jan. 23, 1784. Mrs. Dinah, his wid., d. there 1794, a. 3 yrs.

BIXBY, Simpson, son of Peltiah and Jane (Surrage) Bixby; ancestry no further traced; b. Hop., 1806; bootmaker; came to Mil. in his early manhood; m. *Sally Parks Barber*, dr. of James and Nancy (Parks) Barber, b. Mil., Oct. 20, 1804; cer. Nov. 4, 1832, by Rev. Elbridge Trull. Their chn.: —

Isaac Surrage, b. Feb. 23, 1834; d. March 25 ensuing.

Mary Swain, b. March 7, 1837; m. Willard Clapp, April 11, 1865; he d. May 16, 1877.

Charles Simpson, b. Dec. 12, 1838; d. July 18, 1841.

Martha Jane, b. Sept. 19, 1842; m. Victor Gibson, Nov. 27, 1866.

Mr. Bixby was a man of intelligence and reputable character, with a wf. of corresponding worth. He served the town acceptably for several yrs. as assessor and in other minor offices; but his health broke down, and he d. Jan. 8, 1853. Mrs. Sally, his wid., followed him Dec. 7, 1858. The two drs. still survive, — Mary Swain, with no family; Martha Jane, with hus. and 3 chn.; viz., —

Anna Parks Gibson, b. Mil., Jan. 21, 1868.

Charles Victor Gibson, b. Ashland, July 12, 1869.

Adelaide Vesta Gibson, b. Ashland, Feb. 11, 1872.

I think this family now res. in Marlboro'.

BIXBY, Joel, sen., of Hop., m. *Sophia Johnson* of Holl. They had b. to them several chn., 2 of whom became set. residents of Mil; viz., Joel, jun., and Albert. The fr. was drowned, many yrs. ago, in Whitehall Pond, Hop. He was considerably engaged in the boot business.

BIXBY, Joel, jun., b. in Hop., perhaps about 1798 or 1799; m. *Elizabeth Mellen*, dr. of Joseph and Sophronia (Andrews) Mellen, b. Hop., March 22, 1804; cer. May, 1828, by Walter McFarland, Esq. Their chn.: —

Delia, b. July 18, 1830; m. Moses Walker, Mil., Dec. 30, 1855.

Frank H., b. Aug. 6, 1831; m. Jennie Darling.

Eliza, b. Aug. 12, 1833; m. Edward Kimball.

Bernadotte, b. Dec. 3, 1834; m. Susan Moses.

Maria Annette, b. March 19, 1836; d. young.

Montgomery } (twins), b. Oct. 2, 1837; unm.; res. Mil.
Montcalm }

Montcalm, b. Oct. 2, 1837; unm.; res. Boston.

Maria Annette, b. March 18, 1839; m. Charles Phillips, Providence, R.I.

Warren, b. Dec. 3, 1840; m., 1st, Chastina A. Haynes; 2d, Ellen F. Ahern.

Mary Abby, b. Aug. 15, 1842; d. young.

John H., b. Aug. 17, 1843; d. young.

ADALINE, b. Sept. 20, 1844; d. young.

JOHN P., b. Nov. 17, 1845; d. young.

The hus. and fr. d. here 1864. His worthy and venerable wid. still survives in town.

BIXBY, WARREN, son of Joel, jun., and Elizabeth (Mellen) Bixby, b. Dec. 3, 1840; boot-sider; m., 1st, *Chastina Alice Haynes*, dr. of Jeremiah and Louisa (Nelson) Haynes, b. Mil., 1848; cer. Hopedale, Oct. 11. 1865, by the writer. Issue: —

WILLIAM WARREN, b. Mil., May 17, 1866.

FRANK ALBERT, b. Mil., June 11, 1869.

Mrs. Chastina d. Sept. 3, 1871. The hus. m., 2d, *Ellen Frances Ahern*, dr. of John and Ellen (Ahern) Ahern, b. Hop., 1851; cer. Hopedale, July 3, 1872, by the writer. Issue: —

ESSIE C., b. Mil., May 1, 1873.

BIXBY, ALBERT, son of Joel Bixby, sen., b. Hop. about the yr. 1810; boot-maker; an eccentric, peculiar-minded, but well-disposed and harmless man. He never m., and generally lived alone in a hired room, boarding himself on wholesome but very simple food, at a cost of $1.25 per week. He subsisted mostly on baker's bread and milk. By industry, and frugality in all his expenses, he sustained himself, and laid up a snug deposit in the savings bank of $1,100. At length he broke down in mind, took on imaginary fears of danger, became partially insane, and committed suicide by strangulation, Aug. 24, 1878, a. 68 yrs.

BLACK, ABNER M., son of James and Hitty or Mehetabel (Mason) Black, b. in Barre, May 25, 1814; m. *Jane M. Bastow*, ptge. and birth-date not ascertained; cer. Mil., Aug. 16, 1838, by the writer. Chn.: —

MARTHA M. and MARY M., twins, b. Cumberland, R.I., Sept. 29, 1842.

I have heard indirectly that these parents had in all 6 or 7 chn., that Mr. B. d. some yrs. ago in Lowell, and that his wid. and most of the chn. still survive.

BLACK, ASA MASON, twin bro. of Abner M., b. in Barre, May 25, 1814; m. *Susan W. Staples* of Mendon, dr. of Joseph and Abigail (Cass) Staples, b. Mendon, Jan. 5, 1817; cer. Mendon, April 29, 1839, by the writer. No chn. Mrs. Susan d. in Mil., April 25, 1869, a. 52 yrs. 3 mos. and 20 ds. Her hus. did not long survive her. He d. here, Sept. 17, 1871, a. 57 yrs. 3 mos. and 22 ds.

These twins were half bros., on the maternal side, to John Mason, decd., long a prominent citizen of Mil.

BLAKE, JOSEPH WARREN, b. in Taunton, Feb. 5, 1829, and *Anna (Bowers) Blake*, b. in Dighton, Aug. 16, 1829, came to res. in Hopedale in Dec., 1852, and became members of the Community, Nov. 1, 1854. They had b. to them here —

MARTHA ISABEL, b. Feb. 18, 1853; m. Charles W. Dodge, Feb. 18, 1871; res. Charlestown.

GEORGE LESTER, b. March 8, 1861; d. Aug. 15, 1861, a. 5 mos. 1 wk.

WARREN SUMNER, b. Sept. 1, 1863; d. March 10, 1864, a. 6 mos. 10 ds.

Mrs. Anna d. here Jan. 11, 1864, a. 34 yrs. 5 mos. The hus. m. again, and now res. somewhere in the State of California.

BLAKE, GEORGE W., son of Solomon and Hannah (Morse) Blake, and *Lavinia* his wf., dr. of John Bates, Esq., of Bellingham, preferred not to furnish their family record for this work, and I have conformed reluctantly to their preference.

BLAKE, George Baylis[4] (Nathaniel,[3] George,[2] Nathaniel[1]), b. in Attleboro', Feb. 28, 1823; mr.'s maiden name, Clarissa Fisher; m. *Harriet C. Quiggle*, dr. of Friend and Catherine Reed (Lawton) Quiggle, b. in Mansfield, March 30, 1829; cer. Mansfield, Dec. 18, 1844, by Rev. Thomas M. Latham. Chn.:—

Nathaniel Friend, b. Stoughton, Oct. 29, 1846; m. Laura J. Burr, Nov. 19, 1867.

Edith Louise, b. Stoughton, Aug. 14, 1853; m. Moses G. Billings, Nov. 26, 1874.

William Tilden, b. Stoughton, Sept. 7, 1855; m. Frances Louisa Bent, Jan. 5, 1879.

George, b. Stoughton, Dec. 10, 1861; d. Aug. 18, 1864, in Mil.

Mr. B. came into town in 1862, and for some 8 yrs. carried on the boot-manufacture extensively with C. F. Quiggle and Moses Walker, under the firm title, "George B. Blake & Co." Having experienced serious reverses in business, he has since occupied very responsible positions as manager in several other establishments. He has behind him a somewhat distinguished ancestry. His gt. gd. fr., Nathaniel Blake, was Attorney-Gen. of Massachusetts in his day. His fr., of the same name, was a great stage-coach proprietor, and a princely agent of numerous lines extending out far and wide from Boston. He is himself a man of talent, and carries about a brain that does a great deal of independent thinking. He has held several of the town's most respectable offices, and, since 1865 down to the present time, outrivals all competitors as moderator of our town-meetings. They are often large and sometimes almost tumultuous assemblies, boiling over with complicated questions; but he regulates them with admirable parliamentary skill and command. Since 1865 he has occupied this position no less than 35 times. Family in worthy social standing.

BLAKE, Nathaniel Friend, son of George B. and Harriet C. (Quiggle) Blake, b., as above given, in Stoughton, Oct. 29, 1846; m. *Laura Josephine Burr*, dr. of Edmund B. and Achsah E. (Clark) Burr, b. Franklin, Nov. 19, 1848; cer. Mil., Nov. 19, 1867, by Rev. G. L. Demarest. Issue:—

Ethelwyn, b. July 24, 1872.

This worthy pair honor their ancestral lineage. Besides being an efficient and trustworthy clerk in Charles F. Quiggle's boot and shoe manufactory, the hus. has done eminent public service for yrs. as town-librarian, in which his wf. has won herself much credit as his ready assistant. They deserve the high appreciation which is unanimously accorded to them.

BLAKE, William Tilden, son of George B. and Harriet C. (Quiggle) Blake, b. Stoughton, Sept. 7, 1855; brakeman on Boston and Albany R.R.; m, *Frances Louisa Bent*, dr. of Rev. Gilbert Bent (birthplace, birth-date, mr.'s maiden name, and place of mge. not given); cer. Jan. 5, 1879, by Rev. Gilbert Bent, the bride's fr. No issue reported.

BLAKE, Lorinda Arnold (Ballou), posthumous dr. of my bro., Arnold Ballou, by his wid., Lorinda (Bates) Ballou, b. in Bell., May 28, 1878; m. *Charles G. Blake* of Franklin; cer. Dec. 3, 1835, by Rev. Mr. Smalley. Issue:—

Albert Arnold, b. Franklin, Sept. 10, 1836; m. Rowena Morrill, Oct. 26, 1859; res. Syracuse, N.Y.

Harriet Lorinda, b. Franklin, July 16, 1838; m., 1st, George W. Lewers; 2d, Monroe Burbank; res. Somerville.

HENRY AUGUSTUS, b. Franklin, Dec. 10, 1840; m. Mary E. Calvert, Wilmington, Del., Jan. 5, 1865; res. there.

MARY JANE, b. Franklin, April 1, 1843; d. Nov. 30 same yr.

PERSIS MARIA, b. Franklin, June 7, 1845; m. Josiah Fowler. She d. French Village, N.B., June 20, 1877.

MARY LOUISA ADITTA, b. Franklin, Dec. 2, 1849; unm.; res. with her mother dutifully helpful.

Mrs. B. is a worthy member of the Bap. ch.; has res. apart from her hus. here in town over 5 yrs.; has survived much domestic sorrow, but is battling bravely against adversity with all her energies. Her hus. d. a few weeks since.

BLISS. Down to 1840 I find but one Bliss family credited with a birth here.

BLISS, WILLIAM R., and wf. *Sophia* had —

WILLIAM W., b. March 14, 1835. No further traced.

BLISS, C. W., laborer; appears in Directory for 1856.

BLISS, JOHN, mason; appears in Directory for 1856.

BLISS, JONATHAN, farmer; appears in Directory for 1856.

BLISS, CHARLES WATSON, bootmaker; appears in Directory, peddler, for 1869, '72, '78, '80; d. '81.

BLISS, CHARLES WHITMAN, shoe-shave manufacturer; appears in Directory for 1869.

BLISS, GEORGE, bootpacker; appears in Directory for 1869.

BLISS, GEORGE H., clerk; appears in Directory for 1869, '75, '78, '80.

BLISS, GEORGE W., bootpacker; appears in Directory for 1869, '72.

BLISS, MICHAEL, bootmaker; appears in Directory for 1869.

BLISS, CHARLES, fireman, Providence R.R.; appears in Directory for 1872.

None of these have deigned any report of family record. So I am further silent.

BLOOD, CHARLES FREDERICK, son of Shattuck and Miranda (Fisher) Blood, b. Weathersfield, Vt., Jan. 2, 1816; m. *Lydia Mellen (Cheney, Wales)*, wid. of Sylvester Wales, dr. of Asa and Roxana (Pitman) Cheney, b. Mil., April 26, 1815; cer. No. Purchase, April 17, 1842, by Rev. William Tozer. Issue: —

CATHERINE ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Feb. 17, 1844; m. John C. Warren, June 1, 1868.

EDMUND BOWKER, b. Mil., Aug. 12, 1846; m. Caroline Marie Hunt, May 5, 1869.

WILLIAM SLOCOMB, b. Mil., Dec. 29, 1850; d. Oct. 3, 1851.

An industrious, frugal, well-disposed family. Mr. Blood is a farmer, and dwells on a homestead on Purchase, near Tyler St.

BLOOD, EDMUND BOWKER, son of Charles F. and Lydia M. (Cheney, Wales) Blood, b. Mil., Aug. 12, 1846; m. *Caroline Marie Hunt*, dr. of Ezra and Jane Mehetabel (Tyler) Hunt, b. Mil., Nov. 24, 1850; cer. Mil., May 5, 1869, by Rev. G. L. Demarest. Issue: —

GRACE LYDIA, b. Mil., Feb. 9, 1870.

CHARLES EDMUND, b. Mil., April 1, 1871.

BESSIE JANE, b. Mil., July 22, 1880.

Promising family, intelligent and enterprising. Mr. B. is an executive employé in the clothing establishment of Gile, Blake, & Co.

BLOOM, MORGAN LEWIS, and wf., *Sophia Louisa Bloom*, persons of education, came to Hopedale from New-York City, Dec. 27, 1854, and soon after started a select high school under the advertised title, "Collegiate and Classical Institute." It did not succeed entirely to the satisfaction of its projectors and patrons, and was sold out, two yrs. later, to Rev. William S. and Abbie (Ballou) Haywood. They changed its title to that of "The Hopedale Home School," and ran it with fair success for several yrs. The Blooms had 2 chn.: —

ARTHUR HOWARD, b. in New-York City, July 3, 1854.

CLARENCE EDWIN, b. Hopedale, April 21, 1856.

When the parents left Hopedale, they connected themselves with the Oneida Community, N.Y. Of their subsequent history, my information is imperfect.

BLUNT, MICHAEL ANGELO, son of John Samuel and Esther Peake (Colby) Blunt, and gd. son of Mark and Mary (Drown) Blunt, all of Portsmouth, N.H., b. in said Portsmouth, Jan. 28, 1826; printer; m. *Pamelia Barker Adams*, dr. of Jeremiah and Miriam (Sanborn) Adams, b. Boston, Sept. 11, 1824; cer. Boston, June 19, 1850, by Rev. Charles Frances Barnard. Issue: —

JANE HODGES } (twins), b. Boston, July 19, 1851; m. Albert R. Sadler, Medford, Aug. 14, 1878.

PAMELIA ADAMS } b. Boston, July 19, 1851; m. James B. Leonard, Mil., May 11, 1875.

STEPHEN WOODWORTH, b. Boston, April 14, 1855; unm.; res. with parents; printer.

ESTHER FRANCES, b. Mil., May 20, 1859; unm.; res. with parents.

MARK ANGELO, b. Mil., March 12, 1867; d. April 7, 1867.

JOHN SAMUEL, b. Mil., July 12, 1869.

A reputable family in good social standing. Mr. B. res. in Boston 7 yrs. after mge., and then moved to Mil. about 24 yrs. ago. Here he has steadily, quietly, and successfully prosecuted his occupation as printer. At one period he published "The Milford Journal." He is one of our substantial citizens, and a prosperous business man. He has an honorable ancestral history behind him. His gt. gt. gd. fr., a shipmaster, steered the boat in which "Washington crossed the Delaware" in the crisis of the Revolutionary war, as represented in the celebrated picture. His gd. fr., Capt. Mark Blunt, was one of five bros., all shipmasters, that sailed out of Portsmouth, N.H., in its palmy days as a seaport. During the war of 1812 he served on several private-armed vessels as lieut. and capt. He was finally lost in the privateer "Portsmouth," in a supposed violent storm, and never heard of more. His wid. was made a Govt. pensioner. His maternal gd. fr., Joseph Colby, also served valiantly in the war of 1812.

BOND, JONATHAN[4] (Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] William[1]), b. Watertown; m. there *Mary Harrington*, April 13, 1732; set. Waltham, W. Precinct, and thence removed to N. Purchase, 1743. He located adjacent to Josiah Ball and Jona. Stearns, and lived on or near the est. of the late John Cheney, having a farm thereabouts of between one and two hundred acres. He sold out to Samuel Wood of Upton, Feb. 12, 1749-50, and soon after removed to Westboro', where he long held the office of deacon. He d. Jan. 11, 1789. The chn. of the fam. were, —

MARY, b. Watertown, Dec. 2, 1732; m. Aaron Warren.
JONATHAN, b. Watertown, April 22, 1736; set in Boylston.
THOMAS, b. Watertown, Jan. 30, 1739; res. last in Brookfield.
EUNICE, b. Watertown, Feb. 18, 1742; m. —— Newton, Westboro'.
JOSEPH, b. No. Purchase, July 6, 1744; res. last in Hampden, O.
LYDIA, b. No. Purchase, Jan. 12, 1747; m. —— Wheelock.
ELIZABETH, b. Westboro', March 28, 1752; d. 1756.
LUCY, b. Westboro', June 22, 1755. All these of generation 5th.

See "Bond's Genealogies," Milford Records, and Worcester Reg. of Deeds.

BOOVER, ELI, son of John and Lashon (Paul) Boover, b. in Chambly, L.C., 1817; carpenter; m. *Venia Peltica*, dr. of Benjamin and Margaret (Vishey) Peltica, b. in St. ——, L.C., 1820; cer. 1839, by Rev. Father Lamore. Issue: —

BENJAMIN, b. in Canada, Aug. 4, 1840; m. 1862.
JOSEPH, b. Rogerson, Ux., March 6, 1842; d. Sept., 1865.
ELI D., b. Slaterville, R.I., Nov. 1, 1844; m. May, 1872.
WILLIAM, b. Mil., March 20, 1851.
MOSES, b. Mil. April 14, 1853; m. Aug. 14, 1873.
LOUIS N., b. Mil., Dec. 22, 1855; m. Nov. 16, 1873.
DELIA, b. Mil., 1857; d. 1860.
ORILLEY, b. Slaterville, R.I., 1859; d. Nov., 1862.
ALBERT, b. Slaterville, R.I., Aug. 4, 1861; m. Louisa Murray, 1880.

Mr. Boover came into town over 30 yrs. ago. His was the first of our French-Canadian families that immigrated hither. 4 gd. chn.

BOOVER, LOUIS N., son of Eli and Venia (Peltica) Boover, b. Mil., Dec. 22, 1855; ring-polisher; m. *Margaret Trombley*, dr. of John and Lizzie Mary (Guertain) Trombley, b. Canada, 1857; cer. Mil., Nov., 1873, by Rev. James T. Canavan. Issue: —

LOUIS, jun., b. Mil., Aug. 29, 1874; d. Dec., 1875.
EMMA, b. Mil., Nov. 1, 1875.
GEORGIE, b. Haverhill, July 29, 1877.
FRANKIE, b. Haverhill, Feb. 18, 1879.

BOURCHARD, CHARLES HENRY, son of Peter and Ida Bourchard; b. Montreal, L.C., Jan. 26, 1836; m. *Charlotte Maria Percy*, dr. of Highland and Lois (Tombs) Percy, b. Bennington, Vt., Aug. 22, 1834; cer. Hopedale, Nov. 21, 1861, by the writer. One adopted dr.: —

LIDA BELL, b. March 12, 1868.

An industrious, frugal, quiet family. Mr. B. came into town some time before mge., then spent a few yrs. in Vt., but came back 10 yrs. ago to Hopedale, set. down on a little homestead, and has ever since been employed by Geo. Draper & Co. as their principal teamster. He has proved himself a very executive and faithful one.

We have a considerable number of French-Canadian families in town, several of whom must have become naturalized; but only the three above given have reported any family record.

BOWDITCH. Samuel Bowditch is the only one of this name which I recollect finding on our records. He came from Bridgewater with his young family prior to 1763, and set. in the Bear-hill district, on our extreme eastern border, I think on the farm afterwards owned by James Perry, and later by the Wights; certainly in that immediate neighborhood. How long prior to 1763 he set. there I have not informed myself. He and his wf. Rebecca were

recd. into the ch. here from the 3d ch. in Bridgewater, Aug. 28, 1763; and they had 5 chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost. From his record and Mitchell's Hist. of Bridgewater I make out the following table:—

BOWDITCH, SAMUEL[3] (William,[2] John[1]), date of births not given; m. *Rebecca*, dr. of Josiah Byram, 1755. Chn.:—

BETHIAH, b. 1757.
MARY, b. 1760.
SUSANNA, bap. Aug. 28, 1763.
JONATHAN, bap. Aug. 4, 1765.
RUTH, bap. Sept. 6, 1767.
SAMUEL, bap. May 13, 1770.
MATILDA, bap. Dec. 4, 1774.

The parents were dismissed from Mil. ch. to the ch. in Wrentham in 1786. No further traced.

BOWEN, AUSTIN, son of Allen and Lydia (Lucas) Bowen, b. in Dalton, Nov. 7, 1826; m., 1st, *Hannah Maria Perham*, dr. of Eliab C. and Roby (Cole) Perham, b. Mendon, Nov. 21, 1830; cer. at Hopedale, May 22, 1851, by the writer. Issue:—

CHARLES FREMONT, b. Mendon, Oct. 24, 1856; d. Mil., Feb. 23, 1870.

Mrs. Hannah d. No. Purchase, Sept. 20, 1868. The hus. m., 2d, *Ida Byron Perham*, dr. of Eliab M. and Sarah A. (Smith) Perham, b. in Mendon, Jan. 1, 1849; cer. at Hopedale, Sept. 30, 1874, by the writer. No chn. reported.

An industrious, orderly, worthy family. Mr. B. has found steady employment in various branches of boot-manufacture these many yrs. He is now a heel-maker, and a quiet, good citizen.

Our directories show that we have had several Bowens in town first and last; but Austin is the only one of them who has sent me his family record.

BOWEN, DENNIS, laborer, res. in Danielsville, so called, 1856.
BOWEN, H. F., bootmaker, res. on Pond St. same yr.
BOWEN, Rev. DANIEL, and wf., res. here between 1865 and 1870; now in Mandarin, Fla.
BOWEN, EDWARD V., machinist, is named in Directory of 1869.
BOWEN, JAMES, bootmaker, in the same; also 1875 to '80.
BOWEN, OWEN, laborer, in the same; also in that of 1872, '75, '80.
BOWEN, MATTHEW, treer, in 1872.
BOWEN, ALLEN, in 1880. May be fr., bro., or relative of Austin. Not informed.

And several others at different times. Have not traced any of these.

BOWERS, GEORGE, pedigree untraced; b. Dighton, Feb. 13, 1799; came to Hopedale, a widower, May 11, 1852, and became a member of the Community Sept. 10 of the same yr. He brought with him an unm. dr., and was followed later by a m. one. Chn.:—

ANNA, b. Dighton, Feb. 5, 1829; wf. of Joseph W. Blake. See Blake.
MARY ELIZABETH, b. Dighton, Sept. 16, 1835; m. Ira Stewart; d. Somerville, Feb. 15, 1878.

Mr. B. was a farmer of the nicest pattern, exceedingly industrious from earliest morn to latest eve, very precise and orderly in all his ways, and intensely disgusted with shirks, slovens, and irresponsible persons. He was scrupulously honest and upright in moral character. In religion he was formerly a Universalist, but finally became a strong Spiritualist of the most independent type. He d. in Cambridgeport, June 5, 1875, a. 76 yrs. 3 mos. His

remains were brought to Hopedale for funeral services and burial, as were those of Mrs. Steward, his dr.

Sometime between 1840 and 1850 I find that record was made of

BOWERS, WILLIAM, and wf. *Hannah* having had 2 chn.; viz.,—

SYLVESLER NORTHUP, b. in Newport, R.I., July 18, 1818.

WILLIAM CHAPEL, b. in Seekonk, April 1, 1824.

No further traced.

BOWERS, HERMON HINCKLEY, son of Samuel and Mary (Downing) Bowers, b. Lynn, Feb. 6, 1824: m. *Roxana Wakefield*, dr. of Jonathan and Rebecca (Haven) Wakefield, b. Cornish, N.H., July 6, 1827; cer. Acton, April 15, 1849, by Rev. Horace Richardson. Issue, an only child:—

MARY LIZZIE, b. Acton, Jan. 30, 1851; m. James Oscar Bailey; cer. Mil., Oct. 20, 1875, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. Issue: *Alvin Hinckley*, b. Boston, Aug. 16, 1877.

The pts. of this gd. son res. in Boston, where the fr. is a jeweller.

H. H. Bowers came from Acton to Mil. in 1853; was employed a short time as bookkeeper; went into merchandise under the copartnership firm of Bowers & Tuttle, and later in that of Bowers & Jenks. He was an active and trusted Free Mason, went representative to Gen. Ct. in 1855, and served acceptably many yrs. on the School Board. He d. May 18, 1875. His worthy wid. survives, and res. in Boston with her dr., Mrs. Bailey.

BOWKER. This name has never had very numerous representatives within our municipal limits, but always some. In olden records it was sometimes written Boucher and Bouker, as well as Bowker. The ancestral immigrant, or immigrants, are said to have been of Swedish extraction. Whether one, two, or three in number, is somewhat uncertain. Savage makes Edmund or Edward to have been res. in Dorchester in 1646, to have m. Mary Potter, to have moved to Sudbury, and to have d. 1666. He mentions John, in "Marlboro'," as prob. Edmund's son, and says he m. Mary Howe, Feb. 8, 1678. Dean's Hist. of Scituate says, "James Bowker from Sweden" set. in Scituate, 1680, and had there James, Mary, Lazarus, Edmund, and Benjamin, whose posterity continue, in part at least, on their ancestral estates. Whether that "James from Sweden" was son, bro., or nephew to Edmund of Dorchester, I leave to the solution of curious inquirers. I learned from Middlesex Probate Registry that John of Marlboro' was appointed guardian of his bro. Daniel, a son of Edmund, in the year 1717; which seems to prove that John was certainly the son of Edmund. Barry's "Framingham" states that one Sarah Parmenter was m. to an Edmund Bowker in 1688. I do not understand who this Edmund could be, unless perhaps another bro. of John. Hudson's "Marlboro'" shows that John, son of the first Edmund, who m. Mary Howe, d. Aug. 27, 1721, aged 70; and his wf. Mary, Sept. 29, 1723. Their chn. were John, Martha and Mary (twins), Asa, Ezekiel, Hannah, and Rachel. Ward's "Shrewsbury" plausibly assumes that John had a son Edmund, probably his youngest. This seems to agree with information given me by Mr. Uriah Bowker, late of Hop. He said, "My great-grandfather's name was Edmund, and he had three sons; viz., Micah, Samuel, and Uriah. He set. them all in Hop., giving Micah 40 acres at the west end of his farm; Samuel, the farm of the late Moses Adams; and Uriah, his home farm." Samuel's farm, in after times owned by Moses Adams, was then in Hop., but, by subsequent adjustment of town-lines, became included in Mil. I believe all our Bowkers have been descdts. of the last-mentioned Edmund. I have not gone into the niceties of record, to be certain that this Edmund was

the youngest son of the first Marlboro' John; but I shall venture to assume that he was. He must have been b. between 1700 and 1705, on which sup. the order of family generations is regular.

BOWKER, SAMUEL[4] (Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), having m. in our territory, maintained intimate associations with our people, and his farm ultimately been included within our limits, is entitled to my first attention under the present head. The Hop. records seem to show that he m., 1st, a wf. *Martha* ——, by whom he had —

MARY, b. Oct. 11, 1750.

MARTHA, b. July 8, 1752.

Mrs. Martha d.; and he m., 2d, *Lydia Whitney*, dr. of Jonathan and Lydia (Jones) Whitney, b. Nov. 18, 1732; cer. Dec. 12, 1754, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn. were, —

ASA, b. Nov. 12. 1755.

ABIGAIL, b. June 13, 1757.

ABIGAIL, b. April 9, 1759.

ABIATHAR, b. Feb. 25, 1763.

RUTH, b. Feb. 9, 1765.

DANIEL, b. Feb. 16, 1769.

From his will in Middlesex records, it would seem that he m. a 3d wf., whose name was *Lois*, and that he d. in 1799, a. about 70 yrs. It would also appear that he had a son SAMUEL and a dr. BETSEY, not in the above list. No further traced.

BOWKER, Dea. EDMUND[5] (Micah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), m. *Hannah Stearns*, dr. of Jonathan and Beulah Stearns, Aug. 27, 1778; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. He set. on or near the Jona. Stearns place, Ball neighborhood, No. Purchase. Their chn. were, —

LOVICE, b. March 22, 1779; m. Alexander Cheney, Aug. 2, 1801; d. March 7, 1824.

JONATHAN, b. July 6, 1781; res. chiefly in his native neighborhood; m. Penelope Dewing.

LYDIA, b. Sept. 24, 1788; m. David Stearns, 2d, a Hop. cousin, June 23, 1811.

POLLY, b. Sept. 7, 1791; m. Samuel McFarland, Hop., April 12, 1812.

IRA, b. Aug. 26, 1793; res. always on the old homestead; m. Julia Everett.

Dea. Bowker served a considerable length of time in the Rev. war, and was one of its pensioners in his old age. He became interested in the early preaching of the Methodists in this town, which was chiefly confined to the No. Purchase, in connection with Hayden Row, Hop., for many years. He was, I believe, a devoted member of the first church of that denomination there. Among his old papers I find one of 1801, which shows that he was then a joint class-leader with Ebenezer McFarland. It contains a list of the class, bearing 22 names, with memoranda of attendance, and the name of Rev. Joseph Snelling as then preacher in charge. Whether his title "Deacon" was strictly official, or given merely with reference to his class-leadership, I do not know. I knew both of these class-leaders, from 1824 downward, as liberal-minded, kind-hearted old gentlemen; and I officiated at Dea. Bowker's funeral. He d. Jan. 20, 1841, of mortification, originating in a very slight scratch on one hand, at the age of about 84 yrs.

BOWKER, JONATHAN[6] (Edmund,[5] Micah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. July 6, 1781; m. *Penelope Dewing*, dr. of John and Patience (Sumner) Dewing; date of mge. not found. Issue: —

MIRANDA, b. May 29, 1808; m. Eliphalet Bailey, Jan. 30, 1825; d. Feb. 24, 1833. Their home was in No. Purchase. He was of intemperate habits, and d. by his own hand Aug. 26, 1831.

Mrs. Penelope no further traced.

BOWKER, IRA[6] (Edmund,[5] Micah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. Aug. 26, 1793; m. *Julia Everett* of Dedham, Nov. 27, 1817; cer. by Rev. Isaac Bonney. Their chn.:—

GEORGE STEARNS, b. June 2, 1818; boot-click; res. Mil. See record in place.

ANN MARIE, b. July 14, 1820; m. Newell Phipps, Mil., Feb. 14, 1838. The fr. d. Aug. 25, 1830; his wid. d. Oct., 1840.

BOWKER, GEORGE STEARNS[7] (Ira,[6] Edmund,[5] Micah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. as above; m. *Chloe Ann Saunders*, dr. of Nathaniel and Hannah (Hawks) Saunders, Mil., Nov. 28, 1838; cer. by Rev. John Dale. Their chn.:—

IRA EVERETT, b. Dec. 8, 1840; m. Theoda Bacon of Natick, March 19, 1863.

GEORGE W., b. Aug. 31, 1850; d. Oct. 24, 1851.

BOWKER, IRA EVERETT[8] (George S.,[7] Ira,[6] Edmund,[5] Micah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. as above; m. *Theoda Bacon* of Natick, March 19, 1863; cer. by Rev. Mr. Tyler. Their chn.:—

ADA LOUISA, b. Sept. 29, 1864.

DANA EVERETT, b. March 16, 1866.

HARRY, b. Sept., 1872; d. in a few days.

BOWKER, ELI[6] (John,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. in Hop., date not found; m. *Lydia Sadler* of Hop. He lived chiefly in Mil.; a cooper, butcher, etc. He d. 1852; she d. Sept. 19, 1860.

BOWKER, JAMES,[6] of Hop. (John,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]); b. and always res. in Hop.; m. *Izanna Eames* of Mil., dr. of Phinehas and Izanna (Jones) Eames, Aug. 16, 1815; cer. by Rev. D. Long.

BOWKER, RALPH[6] (John,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. in Hop., but res. in Mendon and Mil.; m. *Mitta Hayward*, dr. of Adam and Judith Hayward, Oct. 4, 1807; cer. by Rev. D. Long. Had ELIZA, who was brought up in her uncle Eli's family. He d. Aug. 17, 1811 (drowned in Charles River).

BOWKER, ETHAN[6] (John,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. in Hop., but took up his res. in Mil.; m. *Alpha Wheelock*, dr. of Obadiah and Lydia Wheelock, Nov. 8, 1814; cer. by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

RALPH WHEELOCK, bap. Oct. 29, 1815.

ETHAN LORING, b. Aug. 2, 1817; res. much away from Mil. He was posthumous, his fr. having d. April 26, 1817. His mr. afterwards m. Lowell Fales.

Ralph W. m. *Mary Brunson Howard*, dr. of Abijah and Margery Howard, Mil., Nov. 26, 1840; and his br. Ethan L. m. *Sarah Sadler Howard*, sr. to Mary B., May 9, 1842; cer. in both cases by Rev. D. Long. Ethan L. Bowker d. Feb. 5, 1855, a. 37 yrs. Mrs. Sarah, his wf., preceded him several yrs., having d. June 15, 1843, a. 22. Ralph W. Bowker d. Aug. 18, 1876, a. 60 yrs. His worthy widow still survives.

BOWKER, ELLIOT ADAMS, named after his mr. and in part after his putative fr., b. perhaps Hop., June 14, 1805; m., 1st, *Nancy Smith*, a sr. of our Joshua Smith, b. Newton, June 6, 1801, but was of Dedham at mge.; cer. 1832. Issue:—

FRANCENA HARDING, b. Mil., Oct. 11, 1835; d. Aug. 17, 1839.

Elizabeth Whiting, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1838; d. young.

John Elliot, b. Mil., Sept. 22, 1839; m. Henrietta Peabody, Cambridge, 1864.

Mrs. Nancy d. June 26, 1849. The hus. m., 2d, *Eliza Kelren*, dr. of James and Isabel (Marshall) Kelren, b. Boston, Aug. 11, 1812; cer. Boston, March 20, 1850, by Rev. Mr. Dexter. No chn.

Notwithstanding the parental delinquencies of nativity may have caused him more or less innocent discomfort, he proved himself a worthy and respectable man in the various relations of life. With a loving and dutiful mr. at the outset of life, and subsequently good connubial companions to share his maturer experiences, he finished his mortal course in peace Aug. 5, 1878. His wid., his son John E., and a few gd. chn. survive to honor his memory. I understand his son and family reside outside of Mil., in one of the neighboring towns. His wid. still dwells in town.

The following-named families were of Hop., but so connected with Milford people and affairs that I have thought it proper to present so much of their records as has come to my knowledge:—

BOWKER, Elijah[5] (Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. Hop., 1773; m., 1st, *Patience Gage*, dr. of Moses, jun., and Mary (Boynton) Gage, b. in our Precinct, Jan. 1, 1775; cer. 1799. Their chn.:—

Uriah, b. Hop., March 3, 1800; m. Lois Eames of Fram., Dec. 24, 1821.

Mary Gage, b. Hop., Nov. 30, 1801; m. Dexter L. Mabry, June 8, 1819.

Eliza, b. Hop., Oct. 21, 1803; m. Wetherby Chamberlain, Nov., 1830.

Abigail, b. Hop.; m. a Capt. Hill of Sherborn; both d., leaving 3 chn.

Lovett H., b. Hop., June 28, 1807; m. Maria Skinner of Foxboro', July 20, 1809.

Mrs. Patience d. Oct. 9, 1811, a. 36 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, *Polly Brigham;* no date or further particulars given. Issue:—

Sarah } (twins), m. William A. Phipps of Hayden Row.
Patience } m. Josiah Haven of Hop.

Elijah Bowker, the fr., was an active, enterprising citizen. He carried the U. S. mail from Boston to Hartford on horseback, in saddle-bags, for several yrs. previous to the introduction of stage-coaches upon the central route. He d. suddenly, in consequence of a fall from the great beams of his barn, May 19, 1827, a. 54 yrs., surviving his fall but 3 or 4 hours.

BOWKER, Uriah[6] (Elijah,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. Hop., March 3, 1800; mr.'s maiden name, Patience Gage; m. *Lois Eames*, dr. of Moses and Lois (Adams) Eames, b. in Fram., date not given; cer. Hop., Dec. 24, 1821, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Their chn.:—

Almira E., b. Dec. 19, 1822; m. Amasa Chapin, Mil., Aug. 30, 1845. See Chapin.

Eliza M., b. April 29, 1829; m. Warren Chapin, Mil., Nov. 2, 1849. See Chapin.

Martha A., b. April 25, 1831.

Charles E., b. Feb. 10, 1833; m., 1st, Helen R. Stacy, Feb. 22, 1858; 2d, Elvira Phipps, Feb. 28, 1863.

Uriah[6] was a commissioned officer of the State militia many yrs.; was representative to Gen. Ct. in 1856; held several important town offices at different periods; was for a considerable time engaged in the boot-manufacture; was an exemplary farmer, much devoted to agricultural improvements; and in all the relations of life a trustworthy man. He d. Feb. 9, 1880.

BOWKER, Lovett H.[6] (Elijah,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]), b. Hop., June 28, 1807; mr.'s maiden name, Patience Gage; m. *Maria Skinner*, dr. of William and Lois Skinner, b. in Mansfield or Foxboro', July 20, 1809; date of cer. not given. They had no chn. except foster or adopted ones.

Lovett H. was a man of remarkable natural sense, of much acquired intelligence and judgment, of high moral integrity and honor, and tireless business enterprise. He was long a large boot-manufacturer, having his manufactory in Hayden Row, carried on in copartnership with others, and a wholesale store in Boston. He was president of the Hop. National Bank, and also of the savings bank. He had an overshare of town and other public offices, went representative to the Legislature in 1860, served for yrs. on the school committee, took a great interest, to his pecuniary detriment, in the Hop. Branch R.R., and d. its president. The writer has a plaintive satisfaction in remembering the long personal friendship towards himself of Mr. and Mrs. Bowker, their devoted attendance on his ministry when health and circumstances permitted, and the sad privilege of ministering at his funeral. He d. Jan. 20, 1876, a. 69 yrs. His excellent wid. still survives, having meekly drunk her cup of mingled sorrows with exemplary trust in divine wisdom and goodness.

BOWKER, Charles E.[7] (Uriah,[6] Elijah,[5] Uriah,[4] Edmund,[3] John,[2] Edmund[1]); b. Hop., Feb. 10, 1833; mr.'s maiden name, Lois Eames; m., 1st, *Helen R. Stacy*, dr. of Abel Stacy, Concord, Vt.; cer. Feb. 25, 1858. Issue:—

Irving S., b. Dec. 23, 1858; d. Sept. 5, 1859.

Mrs. Helen d. July 26, 1859. The hus. m., 2d, *Elvira Phipps* of Hop., dr. of Sylvester Phipps; cer. Feb. 22, 1863. Their chn.:—

Frank P., b. Hop., Aug. 19, 1863.

Atherton B., b. Hop., May 18, 1865; d. Nov. 10, 1876.

Lovett H., b. Hop., Feb. 18, 1873; d. Nov. 6, 1876.

Charles E. inherits, I suppose, a portion, if not the whole, of the ancient patrimonial homestead, and is an enterprising representative of the Bowker family stock.

BOYCE, Catherine, was m. to Stephen Kingston of Ux., by Rev. A. Frost, April 15, 1762. No further traced.

BOYD, William, of Graft. was m. to *Dinah Marshall*, dr. of Joseph and Mary; bap. in our Precinct, July 22, 1750; cer. April 26, 1770, by Rev. A. Frost. No further traced.

BOYDEN, Elizabeth, became the wf. of our first Elias Whitney, Jan. 26, 1744; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. (See Whitney.)

BOYDEN, Barnard; pedigree, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Abigail Whitney*, eldest dr. of our second Elias Whitney and Lucy (Barnes) his wf., b. March 6, 1773; cer. in the autumn of 1798, by whom not found. Issue, so far as recorded here:—

Elias, b. Mil., July 5, 1799. The family no further traced.

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BOYD, Archibald, bootmaker, 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BOYD, Daniels, bootmaker, 1856.
BOYD, John, bootmaker, 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78.
BOYDEN, Winslow, bootmaker, 1856.
BOYDEN, James, farmer, Beaver St., 1878, '80.
BOYNTON, Caleb, perhaps son of Ebenezer, perhaps a bro. I have not

ascertained his pedigree. His 1st wf. was *Rachel* ——, to whom he must have been m. previous to 1750, and who was recd. to full communion in Mr. Frost's ch., June 24, 1753. The hus. himself became one of the original Universalist members under Eld. Adams Streeter in 1785. Their homestead was what we have known as the Amasa Parkhurst place, on E. Main St., at the elbow, near the Plain. Their chn. were all bap. I have their baptismal dates, but not those of their births.

SAMUEL, bap. July 14, 1751.

CALEB, jun., bap. Feb. 9, 1755; m., 1st, Phebe ——; 2d, Eleanor Parks.

RACHEL, bap. Jan. 29, 1758.

HANNAH, bap. Jan. 15, 1760; m. William Young, Hop., 1780.

Some little time before the bap. of Hannah, 1760, Mrs. Rachel d. The hus. m., 2d, *Lydia Bullard*, dr. of Benjamin and Judith (Hill) Bullard, b. in Holl., June 10, 1728; cer. March 5, 1761, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

ELIZABETH, bap. May 22, 1763.

LYDIA, bap. Aug. 26, 1764.

EBENEZER, MARY } (twins), bap. Sept. 7, 1766.

Mrs. Lydia d. soon after the birth of her twins; and the hus. m., 3d, Wid. *Abigail Richardson* of Medway, May 24, 1768; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No chn. recorded. He. d. April 28, 1797. Last wf. no further traced.

BOYNTON, CALEB, jun.[3] (Caleb,[2] prob. Ebenezer[1]), b. in our Precinct, Feb. 9, 1755; m. 1st, *Phebe;* no further particulars of name, ptge., or cer. found. Their chn.: —

EBENEZER, b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1780.

CLARISSA, b. Mil., Nov. 20, 1781.

BILSON, b. Mil., Feb. 21, 1784.

BETSEY, b. Mil., May 14, 1786.

ARBA, b. Mil., June 22, 1788.

POLLY, b. Mil., July 27, 1790.

Mrs. Phebe is presumed to have d. soon after the birth of her last child, unless I have mistaken the family; for the hus., or some one of the same name, had intentions of marriage published as between himself and Eleanor Parks of Northbridge, under date of Oct. 16, 1790. I have not been fortunate enough to trace this family further. I infer that they must all have left town not long after the 2d mge. But when and whither they went has not been told me. I have known no Boyntons, as the descendants of those above recorded, since I came here in 1824. Perhaps I ought to add two older names: —

BOYNTON, MERCY, m. Thomas Chapin, April 14, 1747; cer. by Rev. A. Frost.

BOYNTON, MARY, m. Moses Gage, jun., Feb. 17, 1758; cer. by the same.

Who these brides were is not hinted; perhaps elder drs. of the first Ebenezer.

BOYNTON, JEREMIAH, and wf. *Patience* were recd. into the Cong. ch. of our easterly precinct, from the ch. in Waltham, June 3, 1744. I am unable to trace their ancestry. Her maiden name was *Patience Sanderson;* and they were m. in Waltham, Aug. 1, 1736. They came hither as early as 1739. Their chn.: —

EDWARD, b. in Waltham, May 11, 1737.

MARY, b. here, Dec. 2, 1738.

SARAH, b. here, March 14, 1740.

EBENEZER, b. here, April 19, 1742.

DAVID, b. Feb. 24, 1744; bap. March 3, 1744-45, by Rev. A. Frost.

JEREMIAH, jun., bap. March 8, 1747, by Rev. A. Frost.

Our records tell us no more concerning their chn. It is not improbable that they had others. I have not been fortunate enough to discover where on our territory they had their home, nor have I made sufficient search in Mendon or elsewhere to ascertain what became of their family. No further traced.

BOYNTON, EBENEZER, perhaps a bro. of Jeremiah, sen.; ancestry not traced; was recd. into our Cong. ch. from Waltham ch., April 20, 1746; nothing recorded by Mr. Frost in the ch. book concerning any wf. or chn. But Bond, in his History of Watertown, says he had a 1st and a 2d wf.; also 2 or more chn. According to Bond's statement, he was first of Byfield ch., then of Weston, then Waltham, then Hop., then Waltham again, and then of our Precinct. His 2d wf. was *Abigail Chadwick* of Weston. His gravestone, in our old burying-ground, makes him to have d. Sept. 16, 1761, in his 73d yr. No further traced.

BRADBURY, CYRUS, is a lineal descendant of Thomas Bradbury, the immigrant ancestor of most, if not all, of our New-England Bradburys. He came from Eng. in 1634, and finally set. in Salisbury, at one time the seat of old Norfolk Co., where he held important town and county offices. Many of his descendants in Mass., N.H., and Me., have been distinguished men in public life. I do not learn from Cyrus, or any other source, just the links of lineage between him and his immigrant ancestor. He informs me that his gd. fr., Thomas Bradbury, 2d, b. in Salisbury, was a commissioned lieut. under King George III. just before the Revolutionary war broke out; but, on the occurrence of that event, joined the Continental army, and was stationed for some time at Ticonderoga. He and his wf. *Ruth* (*Page*) removed in early m. life to Buxton, Me. There they had several sons and drs., and among them Thomas, 3d. He was father of Cyrus. So, by this showing, the line runs thus: —

CYRUS[4] (Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Buxton, Me., April 20, 1811; mr.'s maiden name, Abigail Boothby. His parents, and he with them, moved to Sandwich, N.H., where he grew up to manhood. He m. *Elizabeth Ela Cheney*, b. in Morgan, Vt., April 26, 1819; cer. Sandwich, N.H., in June, 1839. No chn. One adopted dr.: —

SARAH ELIZABETH, a niece of Mrs. B., b. Tarrytown, N.Y., Sept. 4, 1840.

Mr. B. is a man of intelligent mind, independent opinions, uncompromising convictions, and scrupulous moral integrity; but of quiet, unobtrusive, and retired habits. He took an early and abiding interest in all the reforms of the age, and has faithfully adhered to his highest light. He and his wf. came to Mass. in 1842, residing first at Northampton, and arriving at Hopedale in 1850. They became full members of the Community in 1852, and he held therein various offices of trust until its suspension. Since then he has continually been employed by the Drapers in positions of management and accountancy to the present time. Mrs. Elizabeth was an invalid for several yrs., and d. Aug. 21, 1870. His own health has since been infirm, and at times precarious, but is now comparatively tolerable. His adopted dr. dwells with him, and cares dutifully for his domestic comfort.

BRADBURY, Hon. EBENEZER, 7th in descent from the ancestral immigrant, Thomas Bradbury; b. Newburyport, July 31, 1793; m. *Nancy Merrill*, and they had 18 chn. Hon. Ebenezer was a very remarkable man, a silversmith by occupation, largely self-educated up to eminent intelligence, of generous

public spirit, a devoted promoter of popular education, an adept in public affairs, of eloquent speech and parliamentary tact, and, in fine, a people's man. He was five yrs. representative in Gen. Ct. from Newburyport, and, in 1847, Speaker of the House; in 1845 and 1846, a member of the Executive Council; in 1849 and 1850, State treasurer; in 1853, a delegate from Newton to the Constitutional Convention, and the next yr. rep. to Gen. Ct.; and, later in life, judge of Mil. Police Ct. nearly 2 yrs. He came here with his family in June, 1859, and continued his res. till Nov., 1861. He d. in E. Salisbury, June, 1864. Mrs. Nancy, his venerable wid., was b. in Newburyport, Nov., 1798, and d. in Dexter, Me., April 11, 1881.

BRADBURY, WASHINGTON IRVING, son of the preceding, perhaps the youngest of their 18 chn., a worthy scion of a worthy stock, b. Newburyport, 1843; clerk, salesman, etc.; m. *Mary E. Rounds*, dr. of Alonzo C. and Hannah (Comey) Rounds, b. Upton, 1846; cer. Springfield, Jan., 1867, by Rev. Joseph Scott. Issue:—

MARY B., b. Upton, Oct., 1867.

ESSIE I., b. (not noted); d. Dec., 1872.

FANNIE, b. (not noted); d. Sept., 1877. Mr. B. has res. in town 20 yrs.

BRADFORD, JONATHAN COE, son of James H. and Sarah (Aldrich) Bradford; b. in Smithfield, R.I., Dec. 25, 1828; mason; m. *Angeline Nelson*, dr. of Nathaniel T. and Silence (Kenney) Nelson, b. Sutton, March 16, 1829; cer. Hopedale, Dec. 25, 1855, by the writer. Issue:—

WALTER S., b. Mil., June 26, 1860; d. Oct. 3, 1862.

ADA N., b. Mil., Feb. 20, 1863; d. March 24, 1863.

CHARLES HENRY (adopted), b. Roxbury, Jan. 25, 1863.

LILLIAN A., b. Mil., Jan. 18, 1871.

A reputable family, in good social standing. Mr. B. came into town some little time before his mge., and set up business. He was a very skilful, enterprising, and prosperous mason, and a highly respected citizen. He d. May 31, 1871. Mrs. Angeline m., 2d, *Charles Porter Skillings*, trader, b. Portland, Me., Aug. 18, 1814, son of Simeon and Nancy (Adams) Skillings; cer. Mil., Dec. 25, 1876, by Rev. H. L. Hastings. They have purchased and res. on the Godfrey place, Congress St.

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BRADFORD, SILAS G., bootmaker, 1872.

BRADFORD, MARY E., school-teacher, etc., 1878, '80.

BRADFORD, MARY ANN D., wid. of Harvey Bradford, 1880.

BRADISH, LEVI P., son of Jotham and Deborah (Ward) Bradish, b. Upton, Sept. 1, 1823; boot-form maker; m., 1st, *Louisa Forbush*, dr. of Ephraim and Polly Forbush; cer. Up., April 27, 1847. No chn. Mrs. Louisa d. July 27, 1855. The hus. m., 2d, *Eliza W. Littlefield*, dr. of Loammi and Eliza (Black) Littlefield, b. Holl., Nov. 20, 1834; cer. Holl., Jan. 1, 1857, by Rev. Joshua T. Tucker. Issue:—

ELLA L., b. Mil., March 3, 1859; m. Thomas B. Keith of Easton, July 17, 1879.

ARTHUR E., b. Mil., Jan 13, 1860.

HANNAH, b. Mil., Dec. 29, 1861; d. Sept. 12, 1862.

HARVEY W., b. Mil., Aug. 6, 1863; d. Nov. 27, 1863.

HENRY W., b. Mil., Dec. 1; 1864.

ALFRED G., b. Mil., June 29, 1867.

ELBERT A., b. Mil., June 25, 1870.
ESTHER E., b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1874.
FLORENCE ETHEL, b. Mil., Nov. 19, 1880.

A family in excellent religious and social standing. The parents are exemplary members of the Cong. ch., whereof Mr. B. has officiated as deacon for over 19 yrs.

BRADLEY, THOMAS HASKELL, son of William Hooper and Eleanor Putnam (Haskell) Bradley; b. in Rockport, June 21, 1835; m. *Martha Louisa Holland*, dr. of Benedict S. and Nancy (Clough) Holland, b. Mount Morris, N.Y., Nov. 3, 1846; cer. in Mount Morris, N.Y., May 20, 1866, by Rev. A. W. Fillmore. Their chn.:—

IDA MAY, b. Mount Morris, N.Y., Aug. 19, 1867.
MINETTA LOUISA, b. Hopedale, Sept. 12, 1878.

Worthy people. Res. formerly in Mount Morris, N.Y., but for the last several yrs. in Hopedale. Mr. B. is a skilful machinist and an orderly citizen.

BRADLEY, JOHN F., carriage-maker, Spruce, cor. School; house do.; made no response to my blank family record sent him.

Our Directory for 1880 gives, —

BRADLEY, JAMES, clerk E. McGowan, house 3 Main.
BRADLEY, HUGH, student, boards James Bradley's, Main.
BRADLEY, MICHAEL, boot-bottomer, house 67 Central.
BRADLEY, WILLIAM, bootmaker, house East, near Beach.
BRADLEY, WILLIAM, 2d, boards Richard Holland's, Beach.

Nothing recd. from these.

BRAGG. The first of this name in town was Col. Arial Bragg. I have had occasion to speak of him already in this volume several times as one of our conspicuous business-men and citizens. I am now to treat of him and his lineage more particularly and comprehensively. In doing so, I have the great advantage of his autobiography, which is replete with reliable information from his own pen. This is a small volume, entitled "Memoirs of Col. Arial Bragg, written by himself. 'I looked upon it and received instruction.' — *Prov.* Milford: George W. Stacy, Printer, 1846." It is in our town library, and well worth perusal by our population. I will now digest and tabulate:—

BRAGG, ALEXANDER,[1] set. early in Wrentham; birth-date, wf.'s name, etc., not given. They had 9 chn.:—

WILLIAM, birth-date not given; m. —— Bennett; set. Wrentham; 6 chn.; burnt to death in a furnace.
NICHOLAS, birth-date not given; m. and set. in Springfield, Vt.; large family.
CONSTANT, birth-date not given; m. and set. Wrentham; powerful at laboring; considerable family; d. poor.
ELIZABETH, birth-date not given; m. Capt. John Blake of Wrentham.
LYDIA, birth-date not given; m. Dea. David Holbrook, No. Wrentham.
MARTHA, birth-date not given; m. John Hancock, So. Wrentham.
JEMIMA, birth-date not given; m. —— Stanley.
SARAH, birth-date not given; m. Benjamin Ray.
ALEXANDER, birth-date not given; m. Esther Fisher, and res. Wrentham, Frank., Holl., Hop., Warwick, etc.

BRAGG, WILLIAM[2] (Alexander[1]), b. in Wrentham, date not given; m. —— Bennett. They had 5 sons and 1 dr.:—

HENRY, birth-date not given; m. and set. Keene, N.H.; Revolutionary veteran; unfortunate.

LUTHER, birth-date not given; m. and set. Keene, N.H.; large family.

WILLIAM, birth-date not given; set. Keene, N.H.; m.; large family; finished blacksmith; ruined by intemperance.

ARIAL, birth-date not given; m. Sarah Fisher; shoemaker; d. a Revolutionary veteran.

EBENEZER, birth-date not given; set. in the Otter-Creek country; had an honorable career.

POLLY, birth-date not given; m. —— Field; lived and d. Keene, N.H.

William, the fr., perished, with two others, while asleep in front of a furnace they were attending in Wrentham. The furnace suddenly burst, and its molten metal instantly submerged the three sleepers.

BRAGG, ARIAL[3] (William,[2] Alexander[1]), birth-date not given; m. *Sarah Fisher*, dr. of John Fisher, Wrentham; other particulars not given. They first dwelt on a farm in No. Wrentham, he being a shoemaker. They next lived on a farm in the centre of Franklin, bought of Joshua Daniels. Their chn.:—

WILLARD, b. 1770; res. Petersham, German Flats, N.Y., etc.; last in Ohio; m., and had chn.

ARIAL, b. July 30, 1772; m., 1st, Sybil Norcross; 2d, Elizabeth Chamberlain; 3d, Nancy Cutler.

EUNICE, b. 1774; m. Daniel Lincoln, Wilmington; set. in N. Y. State.

POLLY, b. Oct. 8, 1776; m. Perez Lincoln, Wilmington; set. in N. Y. State.

SALLY, b. 1778; m. Isaac Kebbee; res. Mil. and Holl.

Col. Arial gives an almost heart-rending narrative of the trials, privations, and sufferings of his parents and their chn. At the opening of the Revolutionary war his father entered the army, and, with scarcely an intermission, continued in its perilous service, until stricken down by the small-pox, near West Point, N.Y., during the latter part of that dreadful contest. Reduced to extreme want and distress, the mr. had to dispose of her pauperized family as best she could, appealed for relief to the municipal authorities, and had her chn. bound out to service in families, where some of them had bitter experiences. Arial describes a portion of his, in the family of one Daniel Gould, thus: "It was the old woman's general custom to boil meat and potatoes for dinner, from which she, with a heart of adamant and cold as the grave, would help Arial to a small piece of meat and two small potatoes, and a like piece of bread. For supper and breakfast there was but one continued round, — half a pint of the liquor that the meat was boiled in, with what bread she could take up at a time with her thumb and fingers." There was one exception: "Daniel killed a hog, and his two ears were cut off, boiled, and given to Arial for his dinner. For once he had as much as he wanted; for what the two ears lacked in meat on the outside was made up in hair on the edges, and wax within; being boiled as the butcher left them."

At length, after a memorable snowfall of 5 ft. on the level, and harder pinching than ever, his uncle Alexander Bragg took him away to live with him. He was soon after indentured by the selectmen to this uncle, in 1781, to serve till sixteen yrs. of age. There he fared better for a while, yet badly again toward the end of his term. But I will not repeat the dismal tale. By and by he finished learning his trade of boot and shoe making in Brookline under Jonas Tolman. While in Brookline he was vaccinated for small-pox, and spent 31 days in the hospital. In 1793 he set up business for himself in Holl., just below Milford line, as I have related in another place. His rising career now

commenced. In 1795 he crossed the line, and set up business on a small scale in this town. For his subsequent experiences, in more detail than I have space for, I refer the reader to his interesting "Memoirs," and proceed to his family record:—

BRAGG, Col. ARIAL[4] (Arial,[3] William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. Wrentham, July 30, 1772; m., 1st, *Sybil Norcross*, dr. of Asa and Elizabeth Norcross, Holl., b. there April 6, 1779; cer. in Holl., Sept. 1, 1796, by Rev. T. Dickinson. Issue:—

MAYNARD, b. Mil., Jan. 13, 1797; m. Signora Adams, April 7, 1818; both now dead.

Mrs. Sybil d. suddenly of malignant dysentery, then fatally prevalent, July 16, 1798. The hus. m., 2d, *Elizabeth Chamberlain*, dr. of Enoch and Elizabeth (Sprague) Chamberlain, b. July 2, 1774; cer. in Holl., March 10, 1803, by John Stone, Esq. Their chn.:—

ALMIRA, b. Mil., Oct. 11, 1803; m. George Jones, Jan. 1, 1824; both dead.

APPLETON, b. Mil., April 3, 1805; m. Mary Ann Foley, Boston, Sept. 27, 1837.

FOWLER, b. Mil., June 15, 1807; m., 1st, Sarah E. Smith; 2d, S. F. Nestor; 3d, R. J. Welch.

EMILY, b. Mil., Jan. 23, 1809; m. Lowell Hunt, July 16, 1826.

ALFRED, b. Mil., July 10, 1811; m., 1st, Charlotte Brown; 2d, Sarah Ann Briggs.

ARIAL, b. Mil., May 24, 1813; m. Sarah E. Kimball, March 15, 1843.

WILLARD, b. Mil., April 10, 1815; m., 1st, Mary M. Claflin; 2d, Sarah Garrett.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. June 2, 1816. Col. Bragg m., 3d, *Nancy (Mellen) Cutler*, wid. of Moses Cutler, Hop., dr. of Henry and Jerusha (Burnap) Mellen, b. Hop., 1781; cer., with *éclat*, Mil. Centre, Aug. 25, 1817, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.:—

ALEXIS } (twins), b. May 20, 1818; m., and merch., New York City; d. there, Feb. 1, 1871.
ELIZABETH C. } b. May 20, 1818; m. Moses P. Williams, Dec. 9, 1845.

MELLEN C., b. Nov. 19, 1819; m., 1st, Caroline R. Fisher; 2d, Susan E. Claflin.

SALLY, b. May 6, 1822; d. Feb. 10, 1823.

NEWELL, b. Oct. 1, 1824; d. March 18, 1826.

The Col.'s homestead was where his son Appleton now dwells. He first purchased 18 acres and buildings there of Perry Daniels in 1803. To this first purchase he went on making additions from time to time, till his farm comprised over 178 acres, costing in all some $5,000 of original outlay. In buildings, down to 1835, he had expended $5,152. He speaks of many heavy losses, — "a natural consequence in so long a run of business, — most of which were caused by accommodation to others." And he adds, speaking, as he does throughout the "Memoirs," in the third person, "From his own experience, he lays it down as a maxim, that no man can help another in the way of business who has not given strong evidence that he has by all the means in his power helped himself, and paid strict regard to justice, truth, and economy in all his transactions." Again he says, —

"He has performed military duty twenty-nine years at his own expense, and has held a commission in every grade from ensign to col. comdt. of a regiment. He has been agent for his town in long-contested and incorrigible litigations, has done for many years much of his town's business, given great satisfaction to the poor when called to provide for them, and was the first who caused a stop to be put to letting out the poor at auction to the lowest bidder,

either separately or all together, in which towns generally have paid but little regard to the bidders' means or disposition to provide for their actual wants. This attention to the poor he thinks the best act of his life, except providing for his own family. In 1839 he was elected representative to Gen. Court, and in 1824 accepted a seat in the Senate. Thus emerging from obscurity, ignorance, and poverty, he has struggled through many years of hard labor, intermingled with pain, sorrow, adversity, and prosperity." —*Memoirs*, pp. 52–54.

His aged mr. d. under his filial care Nov. 4, 1810. He d. Oct. 26, 1855, in his 84th yr. He had an honorable funeral, being buried with Masonic rites and the respectful demonstrations of his fellow-citizens. He had been my parishioner in former yrs., and always a personal friend; and I led the religious ministrations at his obsequies. Mrs. Nancy, his 3d wf., d. Nov. 19, 1865.

BRAGG, APPLETON[5] (Col. Arial,[4] Arial, [3]William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. April 3, 1805; mercht. in New York 13 yrs.; has res. on the paternal homestead 30 yrs.; a large landholder and farmer; m. *Mary Ann Foley* of Boston, b. Feb. 14, 1813; cer. in Boston, Sept. 27, 1837; further particulars not given. Their chn.:—

ELLEN WHITE, b. Boston, Aug. 12, 1838; m. Frederick Merrill, April 3, 1862.
GEORGE, b. New York, July 7, 1840; d. young.
APPLETON, b. New York, May 1, 1843; d. same day.
WILLIAM APPLETON, b. New York, July 16, 1844; unm.; res. with his parents.
JAMES MADISON, b. New York, May 16, 1846; d. Jan. 17, 1847.
CLEMENT PARSONS, b. New York, Aug. 29, 1848; d. June 6, 1849.
FREDERICK BUCHER, b. Mil., May 29, 1850; d. May 22, 1852.

Grandchn., — the chn. of Frederick and Ellen White (Bragg) Merrill:—

MARY BRAGG MERRILL, b. Mil., March 12, 1863.
IDA MERRILL, b. New York, Sept. 12, 1865.

Mr. Bragg was an early pioneer of mercantile enterprise in doing business out of town at the South, in New-York City, etc.

BRAGG, FOWLER[5] (Col. Arial,[4] Arial,[3] William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. June 15, 1807; m., 1st, *Sarah Emeline Smith* of Newburyport, dr. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Pettingil) Smith; cer. Feb. 1, 1837, by Rev. Mr. Dimmick. No chn.

She d. March 24, 1838. The. hus m., 2d, *Sarah Frances Nestor* of New York, dr. of David and Sarah (Hull) Nestor; cer. in New York, May 15, 1849, by whom not given. Their chn.:—

JOHN FOWLER, b. Boston, May 26, 1850; m. Viola Rowe, Dec. 23, 1871.
SARAH EMELINE, b. Boston, Jan. 31, 1855; d. March 1, 1856.

Mrs. Sarah Frances d. March 3, 1862. The hus. m., 3d, *Rachel Jane Welch*, dr. of Humphrey and Rhoda (Nash) Welch, b. Bath, Me., Feb. 23, 1823; cer. in Bath, Me., June 1, 1864, by Rev. George P. Matthews. No issue of this mge. reported.

Grandchild, — the dr. of John Fowler and Viola (Rowe) Bragg:—

EDNA BLANCHE, b. in Bath, Me., April 30, 1873.

I understand Mr. Bragg to have followed the boot, shoe, and leather business as his principal avocation, though he does not specify it in giving me his family record. He has res. in Bath, Me., for the last 15 yrs.

BRAGG, ALFRED[5] (Col. Arial,[4] Arial,[3] William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. July 10, 1811; much devoted to intellectual, scholastic, and literary pursuits, though without a full course of liberal education; m., 1st, *Charlotte Brown*, dr. of Ezekiel and Mary (Devlin) Brown, b. Boston, Nov. 12, 1811; cer. in Newburg, N.Y., July 3 1835, by Rev. Joseph Johnson. Their chn.:—

ALFRED, b. Patterson, N.J., Nov. 19, 1835; d. Feb. 22, 1845.

SARAH, b. Boston, May 6, 1837.

ELIZABETH C., b. Boston, Feb. 20, 1839; m. Melville M. Bigelow, Cambridge, 1869.

BENJAMIN HURD, b. Boston, Oct. 6, 1840; d. March 24, 1841.

LUCY C., b. Boston, not given.

THEODORA P., b. Boston, not given; d. April 3, 1846.

Mrs. Charlotte d. Oct. 5. 1851. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah A. (Darling) Briggs*, dr. of William and Pamelia (Cox) Darling, b. in Sutton, Aug. 18, 1818; cer. May 6, 1863, by Rev. Joseph Ricker. No chn.

Grandchn., — the chn. of Mellville M. and Elizabeth C. (Bragg) Bigelow: —

ADA H., d. Dec. 11, 1876, a. 6 yrs. 5 mos.

CHARLOTTE G , d. Nov. 22, 1876, a. 5 yrs. 2 mos.

LESLIE MELLVILLE, now a. 6 yrs.

I have rendered the above as given to me. Mr. Bragg represented the town in Gen. Court in 1844, '45, '47, and '50. During those years he frequently presided as moderator of our town-meetings. He afterwards res. in Holl. many yrs. He is now again our fellow-townsman. He is much employed as a land-surveyor; takes quite an interest in history, statistics, genealogy, etc. I am indebted to him for valuable assistance in the contribution of data for this volume.

BRAGG, ARIAL, jun.[5] (Col. Arial, [4]Arial,[3] William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. May 24, 1813 ; boot-manufacturer in Braggville; m. *Sarah E. Kimball*, dr. of Francis and Eunice Kimball, b. West Chester, N.Y., Sept. 4, 1826; cer. in Nashua, N.H., March 15, 1843, by Rev. Charles Brown. Issue: —

GEORGE ARCHER, b. April 19, 1844; d. Dec. 27, 1844.

FRANCIS ARIAL, b. Dec. 9, 1845; unm.; res. Marlboro'.

SAMUEL ATHERTON, b. March 14, 1849; m. Sarah J. Hartshorn, Holl., Feb., 1869.

HERMON, b. Aug. 19, 1854; m. Eudora Litchfield, Medford, April 10, 1872.

LUTHER CHAMBERLAIN, b. Aug. 2, 1855; grad. Worcester Inst. Technology; a naturalist.

CHARLES SUMNER, b. March 21, 1857; grad. Worcester, Inst. Technology; mineralogist.

The fr. d. Oct. 26, 1866. His wid. and some of the sons res. in Braggville at the parental home.

BRAGG, WILLARD[5] (Col. Arial,[4] Arial,[3] William,[2] Alexander[1]), b. April 10, 1815; boot-manufacturer; m., 1st, *Mary M. Claflin*, dr. of Martin and Hopestill (Hayward) Claflin, b. Holl., Dec. 15, 1817; cer. in Canaan, Columbia Co., N.Y., May 11, 1835, by Urial Edwards. Their chn.: —

JOSEPHINE, b. Braggville, Sept. 10, 1836; d. Oct. 12 ensuing.

CAROLINE, b. Braggville, Oct. 27, 1837; d. Feb. 10, 1839.

ALEXIS FISHER, b. Braggville, Nov. 5, 1839; m. Cynthia J. Stagly, Jan. 1, 1861.

HENRY WILLARD, b. Braggville, Dec. 11, 1841; m. Ellen W. Haven, Dec., 1865.

WILLIAM CHANNING, b. Braggville, Nov. 30, 1843; d. Aug. 11, 1845.

CLEMENT P., b. Mil. Centre, Jan. 10, 1846; m., 1st, May M. Hannon; 2d, Emma J. Fisher.

MARY EDNA, b. Mil. Centre, Oct. 7, 1847; m. Joseph Gillman, Oct. 15, 1867.

FREDERICK ALFRED, b. Mil. Centre, Oct. 13, 1852; m. Ida Dudley, May, 1875.

CHARLES WALTER, b. Mil. Centre, July 31, 1854; m. Ida Crossman, Feb. 1, 1876.

Mrs. Mary d. June 15, 1865. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Ross Garrett*, ptge., etc., not given; cer. in Mil., Jan. 30, 1866, by Rev. R. P. Ambler. No. chn. by this mge. reported. Mr. Bragg has res. in New-York City, Jersey City, Westboro', but first and last mostly in his native town. There are several gd. chn. living, besides those dead. Henry Willard Bragg graduated from Tufts College in 1859, studied law, began to practise in Charlestown 1862; still res. there, but has an office in Boston, and is successful in his profession.

BRATTLE, DICK, of Bell., a negro who had been a slave, perhaps once belonging to the Dr. Corbett family, was m. to *Rose Lucy*, who, I think I have been told, was a servant in Rev. Mr. Frost's family; cer. at his own res. by Rev. A. Frost, May 3, 1785. No further traced.

BREWER, EDWARD, and wf. *Catherine*, dwelt at one time in town, and had —

JOSEPH ASPINWALL, b. April 29, 1792.

EDWARD WHITE, b. Jan. 21, 1797.

Whence they came or whither they went remains untraced. I see that they were members of the Cong. ch.

BREWER, RUFUS, an early cashier of Milford Bank, and BREWER, DAVID, insurance agent and notary public, res. in town several yrs. If I mistake not, David was a son of Rufus, and both came hither from Framingham. No further traced.

BRICK, NATHAN, and wf. *Mary*, from Natick, were among those warned out of town in 1791. They had 2 chn. with them, named ANNE and MERANCY. They are said to have come hither April 22, 1790, "taken in by Samuel Daniell." No more is told of them.

BRIDGES, SAMUEL, once owned considerable land on our territory. He deeded 26 acres, bounded westerly by the Eight-Rod Road, and perhaps southerly by Post-Lane Road, or possibly situated partly on both sides of the latter road, to Seth Chapin, jun.; deed dated April 14, 1738. I have not ascertained his lineage or then res.

BRIDGES, BENJAMIN, son of Nathan, m. *Elizabeth C. Mellen* of Holl., Oct. 26, 1825; cer. by Rev. D. Long. They had —

MARY ELIZABETH, b. here Sept. 29, 1826.

ALBERT BENJAMIN, b. here May 5, 1828.

The fr. d. Nov. 18, 1828. No further traced.

BRIDGES, AMOS B., wf. *Francis W.*, had b. here —

LUCRETIA ROCKWOOD, b. March 31, 1839.

WILLARD, b. March 13, 1843.

Family no further traced.

BRIGGS, ELIAKIM, and wf. *Alcina*, had 1 dr. b. in town; viz., —

HELEN B., b. April 1, 1839.

Nothing more told of the family.

BRIGGS, BENJAMIN SHERMAN, son of Charles and Martha (Larkin) Briggs, b. So. Kingston, R.I., Aug. 18, 1845; m. *Susan C. Adams*, dr. of John F. and Ann E. (Oatley) Adams, b. So. Kingston, R.I., Nov. 13, 1849; cer. So. Kingston, R.I., Aug. 9, 1867, by Rev. Isaac M. Church. Issue: —

CLARA ADAMS, b. So. Kingston, R.I., Dec. 15, 1868.

HERBERT BENJAMIN, b. Hopedale, Nov. 18, 1874.

ANNA MARIA, b. Hopedale, Aug. 16, 1877.

Mr. Briggs came to Hopedale over 9 yrs. ago, and has ever since been

steadily employed by the Drapers in their livery department. He is now Gen. W. F. Draper's coachman, — a very faithful, reliable, and trustworthy man in his line of business, who promises to be a permanent dweller among us. He has also a congenial wf. and family.

MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

BRIGGS, GEORGE, bootmaker, 1869, '72.
BRIGGS, JAMES H., spindle-maker, 1878.
BRIGGS, Mrs. ELIZABETH, 72 Main St., 1880.

BRIGHAM, Dr. ISAAC[5] (Ezekiel,[4] Nathan,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Grafton, May 30, 1757; mr.'s maiden name, Martha Bigelow; m. *Elizabeth Frost*, dr. of Rev. Amariah and Esther (Messinger) Frost, b. in our Precinct, Sept. 6, 1754; cer. April 6, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

HORACE, b. 1787; d. in the flower of youth, 1810.

ISAAC, jun., b. 1794; m. Wealthy Donovan, Oct. 3, 1830.

Whether these two sons were the only chn. of Dr. Brigham, or where they were b., I am unable to state. Indeed, I am too poorly informed to present a desirable biographical sketch of the Dr. I have never been told with whom he studied his profession, nor where he practised before he took up his res. here. I learn from our records that he was here certainly as early as 1795. Probably he came here soon after the death of his father-in-law, Rev. Mr. Frost, 1792, and possibly even before. Anyhow, he dwelt in the Frost parsonage, and I presume he and his wf. owned it. His son Horace is said to have been a very promising young man. He was in the employ of Major John Claflin in the early days of his trading career, and was so highly esteemed by the family, that, after he was suddenly cut off in his bloom, 1810, they named the present Horace Brigham Claflin, our New-York merchant-prince, after him. What the skill and reputation of Dr. Isaac was as a physician I never heard reported. He d. June 12, 1825; and Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid., d. Jan. 3, 1829.

BRIGHAM, ISAAC, jun., son of Dr. Isaac and Elizabeth (Frost) Brigham, b. prob. Mil., 1794; m. *Wealthy Donovan*, ptge. and birth-date not ascertained; cer. Mil., Oct. 3, 1830, by Rev. David Long. Issue: —

ELIZABETH FROST, b. Mil., Sept. 9, 1831; d. Dec. 17, 1849.

HORACE, b. Mil., April 16, 1834; d. March 4, 1855.

EMILY ALICE, b. Mil., May 19, 1838; d. Aug. 19, 1850.

Mr. Brigham served many yrs. as sexton of the town. He was an unambitious, quiet, and well-disposed citizen. He inherited a portion of his gd. fr. Frost's parsonage, in the northerly corner of now West and Congress Sts., and dwelt in a small house built on the site of the old domicile. He d. there March 13, 1858. Mrs. Wealthy, his wid., d. there Feb. 9, 1860, a. 54 yrs.

BRIGHAMS MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

BRIGHAM, EDMUND, bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BRIGHAM, ELIJAH P., painter, 1869.
BRIGHAM, JASON S., harness-maker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BRIGHAM, LEWIS, bootmaker, saloon-keeper, 1872, '75, '78.
BRIGHAM, CHARLES R., bootmaker, 1878, '80.
BRIGHAM, HARRY F., bootmaker, 1878, '80.
BRIGHAM, JOSEPH, barkeeper, 1878.
BRIGHAM, SUSAN, wid. of Harrison F., 1880.

BRITTON, William Henry, son of Alexader and Sarah (Dennison) Britton, b. Westfield, N.B., Jan. 22, 1839; carpenter; m. *Rhoba Della Thayer*, dr. of Willard and Rhoba (Sherman) Thayer, b. Bell., Aug. 19, 1846; cer. in Providence, R.I., May 11, 1867, by Rev. Heman Lincoln. Issue:—

Ida Sherman, b. Mil., April 11, 1873.

Enterprising and reputable people, who have res. in Mil. 12 yrs.

BRITTON, Isaac, formerly res. here; R.R. conductor. Do not know his present location.

BRONSON, Willis, ptge., ancestry, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Sally Godfrey*, dr. of Col. Benjamin and Bethiah (Gibbs) Godfrey, b. Mil., March 3, 1781; cer. Dec. 20, 1801, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue:—

Mary G., b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1802; m. Freeman Fisher of Dedham, Sept. 21, 1820.

Willis, jun., b. Mil., 1803 or 1804; d. unm., Feb. 24, 1830.

The fr. d. Sept. 12, 1805. Mrs. Sally's death-date not ascertained.

BROWN, Oliver, said to be of Hartford, Ct.; ancestry, birth-date, etc., untraced; m. *Abigail Sheffield*, dr. of William and Mary Sheffield, b. Holl., July 21, 1729; cer. Oct. 17, 1750, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

Josiah, b. prob. about 1751; m. Lydia ——.

Sarah, b. Aug. 20, 1753; m. Nathaniel Parkhurst, May 29, 1771.

Silas, b. perhaps 1755; m. Rubia Wiswall, May 9, 1790.

The parents appear to have been admitted to the Cong. ch. Jan. 18, 1756, and to have had their three above-named chn. bap. Feb. 8 ensuing. The fr. d. June 7, the same yr. His wid. m. Daniel Chapin, March 2, 1758.

BROWN, Josiah, son of Oliver and Abigail (Sheffield) Brown, by wf. *Lydia*, had—

Sophronia, b. Oct. 19, 1778.

Emily, b. Dec. 25, 1780.

Leonard, b. Nov. 11, 1787.

This family no further traced.

BROWN, Israel, ancestry untraced; m. *Experience Thayer*, dr. of Jonathan, jun., and Bethiah (Adams) Thayer, b. Oct. 22, 1733; cer. Feb. 15, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue, so far as our records tell:—

Bettie, birth-date not found; admitted to Cong. ch. Feb. 3, 1781; m. John Nelson, Nov. 28, 1782.

Mary, *alias* Polly, birth-date not found; admitted to Cong. ch. Jan. 15, 1786; found dead in bed Jan. 8, 1821.

This family no further traced.

BROWN, Peter, ancestry, etc., untraced; m. *Rebecca Galloway;* cer. Dec. 4, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. They seem to have had a Peter, jun., and perhaps other chn.; but I do not find any record of more. Mrs. Rebecca d. Oct. 16, 1810.

BROWN, Peter, jun., by wf. *Jemima*, had Lucinda, b. May 8, 1792; d. April 30, 1798. Family no further traced.

BROWN, Abel, son of Abel and Bathsheba, and gd. son of Asa, who were of Holl., b. July 8, 1796; m. *Polly Pond*, dr. of Abner and Elizabeth (French) Pond, b. Mil., March 10, 1799; cer. Aug. 1, 1818, by whom not ascertained. Their chn.:—

Elizabeth French, b. May 18, 1819; m. Amasa Parkhurst, Oct. 6, 1839.

Delphia Merriam, b. Dec. 11, 1820; m. Samuel Templeton, June 27, 1839.

Hannah Pond, b. Dec. 23, 1822; m. Amasa Parkhurst, April 6, 1842.

DAVID M., b. Sept. 30, 1825; m. Laura Onion; res. Milwaukee.

DEXTER FRANK, b. Oct. 1, 1828; m. Mary J. Bullard, Nov. 17, 1853.

RUTH, b. Feb. 23, 1837; m. Edwin H. Hero, Feb. 6, 1856.

A worthy and respected family. Mrs. Polly d. May 19, 1851. Her hus. d. Nov. 14, 1865. Dexter Frank Brown d. of apoplexy, very suddenly, in Appleton, Wis., June 7, 1881.

BROWN, SAMUEL SILSBEE, ptge. not ascertained; b. Chester, Vt., July 4, 1802; m. *Mary Louisa Capron* of Millville, b. 1805; and were both original members of the Hopedale Community. They were early settlers on the Community domain. They had 6 chn.; viz., —

MARY LOUISA, about 17 yrs. of a. 1842; m. Horatio Edson, Oct. 22, 1846; 2d, Howard.

SAMUEL AUGUSTUS, about 15 yrs. of a. 1842; m. Malvina Edson in Olean, N.Y.

CLARISSA ELLEN, about 13 yrs. of a. 1842; m. Charles S. Patten, Nov. 12, 1848.

WILLIAM CAPRON, about 9 yrs. of a. 1842; went West.

DANIEL WEBSTER, about 7 yrs. of a. 1842; went West.

REBECCA CAPRON, about 2 yrs. of a. 1842; d. Hopedale, Oct. 10, 1845.

Mrs. Louisa d. at Hopedale, Dec. 7, 1858. The family afterwards became dispersed to different and distant localities, to Olean and Fairport, N.Y., and the far West. Mr. B. m. his 2d wf. in Fairport, N.Y., where he lived several yrs., and finally d. Clarissa Ellen, hus., and chn. res. in Biddeford, Me., or did a few yrs. ago.

BROWN, GEORGE AUGUSTUS, son of Henry and Sarah (Vose) Brown, b. Smithfield, R.I., Nov. 27, 1823; m. *Abby Ann Hudson*, dr. of John and Marcia (Pope) Hudson, b. in Cherry Valley, N.Y., date not given; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Sept. 17, 1848, by Rev. John Boyden. Issue: —

ARTHUR BENJAMIN, b. Mil., July 24, 1853; d. Dec. 8, 1858.

ALTA MARIE, b. Mil., July 11, 1862.

CHARLES SUMNER, b. Mil., March 17, 1866.

Mr. B. and family have res. in Cumberland, R.I., Mendon, and Mil. According to the birth-date of their oldest child, they must have come into town over 28 yrs. ago. He is a skilled boot-cutter, and is in reputable standing. He informs me that he is a gd. son of Elihu Brown, one of my native townsmen, whom I well knew in early life, and at whose wf.'s funeral I recollect to have ministered in 1824. He long owned and dwelt on a respectable homestead, situated a mile below Cumberland Hill towards Providence, R.I., since owned by the town as their asylum for the poor. There he raised a family of 7 sons and 2 drs., most of whom went West, and set. in Ill. Henry, the fr. of our George Augustus, remained in his native vicinage, and followed the occupation of a machinist. George's uncle Joseph also continued in New England. He was at one time superintendent of a manufacturing establishment in Palmer, Mass., and an honored citizen there. His maternal gd. fr. Vose was a Revolutionary soldier and pensioner.

BROWN, EBEN, son of Isaac and Ruth (Mosher) Brown, b. Wilton, Me., June 24, 1832; m. *Abbie Climena Adams*, dr. of Daniel Perry and Abby Thayer (Fisher) Adams, b. Bell., Sept. 14, 1837; cer. Sept. 16, 1858, by Rev. J. M. Bailey. Chn.: —

OSCAR, b. Mil., March, 1860; d. May the same yr.

ERNEST CLIFTON, b. Wilton, Me., Oct. 18, 1861.

NELLIE, b. Mil., Oct. 28, 1866.

HERBERT SPENCER, b. Mil., April 6, 1869; d. June 20, 1870.

Mr. B. and family have res. in Mil. over 22 yrs. They are eminently worthy people, and are bringing up their chn. on a highly intelligent and moral plane. Mr. B. is a needle-manufacturer; was a partner, and became a successor in business, of the late Nathan Paine. Like Mr. P., he has an original and admirable genius, both for invention and execution. He is also a natural philosopher, an acute thinker on a wide range of subjects, a stanch reformer in several departments of human interest, and, though of modest and quiet demeanor, a man of independent opinions.

OTHER BROWNS MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

BROWN, CHARLES D., clothing, 1856, '69, '72.
BROWN, JAMES, bootmaker, 1856.
BROWN, JAMES A., bootmaker, 1856.
BROWN, LEVI, carpenter, 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78.
BROWN, LUKE, boot-finisher, 1856.
BROWN, WILLIAM H., bootmaker, 1856, '69, '72, '75, '80.
BROWN, CYRUS S., bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, DAVID, teamster, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, FRANK, bootmaker, etc., 1869, '75.
BROWN, HELEN, wid., 53 Central St., 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, JONATHAN, bootmaker, 1869.
BROWN, OTIS T., teacher penmanship, 1869, '80.
BROWN, SAMUEL, cabinet-maker, 1869, '72, '78, '80.
BROWN, CYRIEL E., machinist, Hopedale, 1872.
BROWN, CYRIEL E., jun., machinist, Hopedale, 1872, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, HARRY, hostler, 1872.
BROWN, PETER, bootmaker, 1872, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, PETER, jun., bootmaker, 1872, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, Mrs. SARAH, dress and cloak maker, 1872, '75, '78, '80.
BROWN, WILLIAM I., clerk, 1872, '75.
BROWN, GEORGE W., farmer, 1875.
BROWN, MARY, wid. of Thomas, 1878, '80.
BROWNE, EUGENE E., spindle-maker, 1878, '80.
BROWN, ABBIE, wid. of J. Everett, 1880.
BROWN, ARAVESTA, Miss, house Hollis St., 1880.
BROWN, CARMICHAEL, bootmaker, 1880.
BROWN, CECIL W., baker, 1880.
BROWN, DANIEL J., student, 1880.
BROWN, GEORGE, carpenter, 1880.

The Browns are not prone to report their family records, nor can their multitude be easily traced or numbered. Like the Smiths, they are superabundant and unsearchable.

BRUCE. The Bruces have never been numerous on our territory.

BRUCE, BENJAMIN, of Framingham, bought of Jonathan Hayward, Aug. 8, 1726, 90 acres of land in the near vicinity of the "Great Meadow;" but, whether he ever took up his abode on it, I find no indication.

BRUCE, Lois, was m. to *Dearing Jones* as his 2d wf., April 11, 1744, by Rev. A. Frost. But whose dr. she was, or what became of her after Mr. Jones's death, little is told.

BRUCE, JOHN, deeded a part of what became the Ichabod Thayer farm, now Justin H. Eames's place, some 32 acres of it, to Ebenezer Cheney, June 25, 1730. I cannot trace him in his family relations.

BRUCE, JOSEPH and GEORGE, owned land north-west of now Hopedale, east of Neck Hill, in 1748, when the road was laid from the Eight-Rod Road, through the Dale, to the Ely. Precinct Meeting-house; but where they dwelt is not indicated. About that time the est. of Joseph Bruce was set. His wf. was *Elizabeth* (*Farnsworth*) of Groton. He m. her in 1755. He had a son George, and perhaps Joseph; also a dr. Hannah, the wf. of Joseph Johnson. I have left the family untraced.

BRUCE, ABIJAH, and wf. *Rizpah* (*Aldrich*) are credited on our records with 4 chn.; viz.,—

SABRA, b. Jan. 27, 1794.
LENDAL, b. May 3, 1797.
DIANA, b. April 3, 1799.
ELISHA, b. Jan. 2, 1804.

This family no further traced.

BRUCE, SUBMIT, was m. to *Samuel Hancock*, Feb. 23, 1806, by Rev. David Long. (See Hancock.) But at this writing I have no information concerning her ptge. I confess that I find myself poorly posted on the Bruces; perhaps for want of more perseverance.

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BRUCE, HENRY E., and BRUCE, SANFORD J., bootmakers; appear in 1869.

BRUCE, MARY E., dressmaker, is the only other. She appears in 1875, '78, and '80.

BUCK, JOHN WARREN, son of Seneca and Jane (Warren) Buck; b. in Buckfield, Me., Nov. 15, 1833; bread-team driver, expressman, etc.; m. *Mary E. Schofield*, dr. of John and Mary E. (Amermon) Schofield, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1836; cer. at Hopedale, June 28, 1866, by the writer. No chn. Mr. B. came to Mil. in 1863. He is one of a large family. His father, Seneca Buck, was b. in Paris, Me., Jan. 10, 1802; his mother, Jane (Warren) Buck, in Buckfield, Me., July 19, 1805. Their chn.:—

ANNIS, b. Sumner, Me., July 20, 1827; m. Wesley Richardson, Jay, Me.
EPHRAIM, b. Buckfield, Me., Nov. 8, 1829; m. Cordelia Buck, Buckfield, Me.
AROZINE L., b. Buckfield, Me., Sept. 25, 1831; m. David Wade, No. Easton, Mass.
JOHN WARREN, b. Buckfield, Me., Nov. 15, 1833; m. Mary E. Schofield, Mil., June 28, 1866.
ALPHONSO F., b. Buckfield, Me., Dec. 25, 1836; m.; name of wf. not ascertained.
ESTHER J., b. Buckfield, Me., Aug. 6, 1838; m. Isaac Miller, No. Easton, Mass.
MARSHALL D. J., b. Jay, Me., Aug. 2, 1840; res. unm., in Me.
SARAH R., b. Jay, Me., Sept. 8, 1842; m. Chester R. Leonard, Raynham, Mass.
LEVINA A., b. No. Easton, Mass., Aug. 29, 1846; d. unm. Jan. 22, 1868.

Mrs. Jane, the mr., d. Jan. 16, 1852. The hus., after several yrs., m., 2d, Wid. *Abigail Whiting* of No. Easton. They both survive at this writing. John Buck, the gd. fr. of our John W., and one of his bros. were original settlers

of Buckfield, Me., raised large families, and gave name to the town. Our J. W. and wf. are persons of good repute. He has been several times so sick that his life has been despaired of; but he survives, and has of late yrs. been the trusted expressman between Hopedale and the Centre.

BUCK, HORATIO, bootmaker, appears in our directories from 1875 to '80.

BULLARD. The Bullards are of ancient pedigree in our near vicinity. Some of them have inhabited our territory; and others, dwelling in Holl., close upon our borders, were intimately associated with our people in religious and secular intercourse. I, therefore, include all the families thus related and connected.

BULLARD, BENJAMIN,[1] from Eng., was the ancestral immigrant, and set. at Watertown between 1630 and 1637. His son BULLARD, BENJAMIN,[2] became one of the original settlers and proprietors of Sherborn, which included Holl. and other territory. Sherborn was incorporated in 1674. This Benjamin [2] was also one of the original Sherb. ch., and quite officially distinguished in his generation. He had a son BENJAMIN,[3] who had a son, BULLARD, BENJAMIN,[4] that set. on patrimonial lands in and near the Holl. part of what we now call Braggville. He m. *Judith Hill*, dr. of Ebenezer Hill; cer. Nov. 9, 1727. Their chn.: —

LYDIA, b. June 10, 1728; 2d wf. of Caleb Boynton; m. March 5, 1761.
ASA, b. July 10, 1730; m., 1st, Hannah Jones; 2d, Hannah Cook.
JUDITH, b. Aug. 20, 1733; m. Seth Thayer, Feb. 16, 1752.
TABITHA, b. Feb. 8, 1734–35; m. Mordecai Day, May 8, 1766.
ELEAZER, b. March 11, 1737; m. Hannah Rawson, April 3, 1759.
DANIEL, b. June 11, 1739; d. without issue after 1767.
DAVID, b. Aug. 11, 1741; m. Hopestill Taft, 2d, Nov. 27, 1766.
MARY, b. June 5, 1744; m. Michael Madden.
DINAH, b. 1746; m. David Stearns, May 31, 1770.
NATHAN, b. ——; m. Bathsheba Hill.
EZEKIEL, b. March 3, 1748–49; set. in Maine.

Mrs. Judith having d., the hus. m., 2d, *Ruth Hill*, Aug. 12, 1762. No chn. He d. 1766.

BULLARD, ASA[5] (Benjamin,[4] Benjamin,[3] Benjamin,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. July 10, 1730; cordwainer; m., 1st, *Hannah Jones*, dr. of Eli and Mercy (Underwood) Jones, b. Aug. 6, 1734; cer. prob. 1754. Issue: —

ASA, b. March 6, 1755; m. Lucy Harvey, June, 1776.
AARON, b. March 26, 1757; m. Lovice Godfrey, Mil., Sept. 21, 1780.
JOSHUA, b. June 28, 1759; m. Bethiah Taft, April 18, 1782.
JUDITH, b. June 24, 1761; m. David Holbrook of Holden, 1779.

Mrs. Hannah d. April, 1762. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Cook*, dr. of Walter and Margaret (Corbett) Cook, birth-date not ascertained; cer. Nov. 1, 1764. Issue: —

HANNAH, b. 1764; m. Aaron Phipps, Holl.
WALTER, b. April 26, 1765; m. Charlotte Harris, Dec. 24, 1787.
ELI, b. Sept. 22, 1766.
ARTEMAS, Dr., b. Dec. 8, 1768.
HAZIAH, b. Nov. 25, 1770; m. Keziah Leland.
LYDIA, b. Dec. 11, 1772; d. Aug. 25, 1775.
OLIVE, b. June 16, 1774; d. Aug. 30, 1775.
BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 9, 1776; m. Thankful Leland, April 2, 1798.
AMOS, b. Aug. 23, 1778.

JONATHAN, b. Sept. 4, 1781.
POLLY, b. Oct. 6, 1783.
JOSEPH, b. Sept. 18, 1786.

These 16 chn. were all bap. by ministers of our Cong. ch., whereof the pts. were members. Asa Bullard d. 1804. Death-date of Mrs. Hannah, 2d wf., not found.

BULLARD, ELEAZER (son of Benjamin[4]), and wf. *Hannah (Rawson)*, seem to have been connected with our Cong. ch. They had 4 chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz., —

JOEL, b. May 24, 1760.
ELIJAH, b. May 17, 1762.
BENJAMIN, b. April 12, 1764.
ELEAZER, bap. April 12, 1767. No further traced.

BULLARD, NATHAN (another son of Benjamin[4]), and wf. *Bathsheba (Hill)*, had 7 chn. bap. here; viz., —

PHEBE, b. April 2, 1770.
HULDAH, b. Feb. 28, 1772.
EZEKIEL, b. Feb. 24, 1774.
DANIEL, b. March 13, 1777.
LYDIA, b. March 21, 1779.
HULDAH, b. July 12, 1781.
NATHAN, b. Aug. 21, 1785. No further traced.

BULLARD, WALTER[6] (Asa,[5] Benjamin,[4] Benjamin,[3] Benjamin,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in now Braggville, April 26, 1765; mr.'s maiden name, Hannah Cook from Mendon So. Parish; inherited the patrimonial farm; m. *Charlotte Harris*, pedigree untraced; cer. Dec. 24, 1787, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

ELI, b. April 12, 1788; m. Elizabeth Ellis, Oct. 9, 1823.
ALPHEUS, b. March 19, 1790; m. Deborah Kilburn, April 14, 1811.
ZEBINA, b. April 4, 1792; m. Polly Hixon.
JASPER, b. July 7, 1794; d. 1819.
NANCY, b. June 30, 1796; m. Ferdinand Freeman, 1819.
MIRANDA, b. Dec. 28, 1798; m. Jeremiah Brown.
CHARLOTTE, b. May 21, 1801; m. Lovett Albee, Dec. 18, 1822.
WALTER, jun., b. July 17, 1803; m., 1st, Hannah Rockwood, Oct. 3, 1824. She d. March 17, 1825.
BENJAMIN, b. April 28, 1806; m. Eliza S. Putnam, Feb. 17, 1825.
IRENE, b. Sept. 8, 1808; m. Fortunatus Nichols, Nov. 8, 1829.
JOHN, b. 1811; untraced.
MARY, b. 1814; m. Jeremiah Donovan, 1832.

The fr. became so far deranged in middle age as to require guardianship, and the mr. saw many days of sorrow. I have not at command the death-dates of either.

One of the first mges. I solemnized, after coming to Mil., was that of Walter Bullard, jun., and Hannah Rockwood, at the bride's fr.'s in the edge of Holl., Oct. 3, 1824. She gave birth to a child, and d. the next yr. A few yrs. later the hus. became a Universalist preacher in the State of N.Y. In that general region, or farther west, he has res. ever since. He came into his native vicinage a few yrs. ago on a visit, and made me a call. If I rightly recollect, he told he had been twice m. in N.Y., had raised up a considerable family of chn., and was mainly engaged in farm management.

BULLARD, AARON[6] (Asa,[5] Benjamin,[4] Benjamin,[3] Benjamin,[2] Benjamin[1]),

b. Hol., March, 26, 1757; m. *Lovice Godfrey;* pedigree unascertained; cer. Mil., Sept. 21, 1780, by Rev. A. Frost. I have not come across any record crediting chn. to them; but I have an impression of seeing evidence that they dwelt several yrs. in town. No further traced.

BULLARD, JOSHUA, a bro. of Aaron, b. Holl., June 28, 1759; m. *Bethiah Taft;* cer. April 18, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. I find the following-named chn. credited to them on our records:—

NATHAN, b. Bell., May 17, 1783.
LEWIS, b. Bell., April 12, 1792; d. April 21, 1794.
JOSIAH, b. Holl., Oct. 4, 1793.
LYDIA, b. Mil., Dec. 13, 1794.

The fr. d. here May 13, 1795; Mrs. Bethiah, his wid., d. Sept. 10, 1797.

BULLARD, JOHN, and wf. *Eunice S.*, had recorded to them,—

HENRY CLARK, b. Jan. 15, 1833.

BULLARD, JOSIAH, and wf. *Lucy*, had recorded to them,—

SUSAN JANE, b. Jan. 31, 1842.

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BULLARD, JOSIAH, livery-stable keeper, 1846, '47, '56; ice, '69, '72.
BULLARD, EMORY, carpenter, 1856.
BULLARD, JOHN, bootmaker, 1856.
BULLARD, M. B., books, music, etc., 1856.
BULLARD, EUNICE, wid. of John, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80; d. '81.
BULLARD, JOSIAH P., ice, 1869, '72, '75, '78; deceased.
BULLARD, ADELBERT, ice, 1872, '75; express-driver, '78, '80.
BULLARD, GEORGE W., bootmaker, 1878.
BULLARD, Mrs. JOSIAH P., house 170 Main St., 1880.

No family record reported from any of these.

BURRELL, ALFRED AUGUSTUS, son of James and Prudence Spear (Chessman) Burrell, b. in South Scituate, Oct. 27, 1838; m., 1st, *Emeline Lydia Celley*, dr. of Moses and Lydia (Dunham) Celley, b. in Woodbury, Vt., July 15, 1838; cer. at Hopedale, July 2, 1857, by the writer. Issue:—

ORRISA JANE, b. March 8, 1858; m. Joshua Rufus Wales, March 4, 1875.
LOTTIE MARION, b. Feb. 23, 1867.
FRANK MONTGOMERY, b. May 22, 1868.

Mrs. Emeline d. July 4, 1868; and the hus. m., 2d, *Meltina Maria Cook*, dr. of Arthur, Esq., and Adeline (Purington) Cook, b. in Blackstone, Dec. 14, 1838; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 28, 1869, by the writer. Issue:—

ARTHUR COOK, b. Mil., April 6, 1871.
ALICE ADELINE, b. Natick, July 26, 1872.

Grandchn.:—

ALFRED AUGUSTUS WALES, b. March, 1876.
ETHEL MARION WALES, b. Sept., 1878.

Mr. Burrell came to Mil. some time before his 1st mge. in 1857, and, with the exception of a brief stay in Natick, has res. here from his first coming to the present time. He is an intelligent and trustworthy citizen. He has proved himself a competent business-man as a manager and clerk, stands high among his Masonic brethren, and in 1868 represented the town in Gen. Court. His wives have held a like reputable standing in domestic and social life.

BURRELL, ALVIN RICHARDSON, son of Alvin and Nancy Burrell, b. in South Weymouth, March 24, 1830; boot-finisher; ancestry and relationship no

further given; m. *Lorana Frances Millett,* dr. of Benjamin and Eliza Ann (Lincoln) Millett, b. in Bridgewater, May 6, 1834; cer. in Abington, Feb. 3, 1853, by Rev. Mr. Gunnison. Issue: —

Annie Frances, b. So. Weymouth, Feb. 6, 1861.

Everett Augustus, b. So. Weymouth, Nov. 15, 1864.

Alice Idalet, b. So. Weymouth, Jan. 6, 1866.

Fred Irwin, b. Mil., Aug. 17, 1869.

Gilman, b. Mil., Sept. 8, 1873.

This family has res. in Abington, So. Weymouth, and Mil. Strangers to me, but of presumed worthy character.

BURRILL, Stephen, son of Joseph and Mary Wooster (Boynton) Burrill, b. at Chelsea Point in Winthrop, Oct. 22, 1821; boot-finisher; m. *Susan Brigham Doane,* dr. of Joel and Betsey (Wright) Doane, b. in Phillipston, July 21, 1827; cer. East Boston, May 16, 1847, by Rev. Joseph Whitman. Issue: —

Marietta Elizabeth, b. E. Boston, April 19, 1848; m. Edwin Mayo Doane, June 21, 1871.

Stephen Abbot, b. E. Boston, Jan. 1, 1850; d. July 22, 1855.

William Henry, b. E. Boston, Jan. 29, 1852; m. Mary E. Stevens, Sept. 14, 1876.

Edgar Howard, b. Winthrop, Aug. 8, 1854; d. Nov. 28, 1854.

Jessie Susan, b. W. Brookfield, Aug. 10, 1860.

Nellie Gertrude, b. Winthrop, Dec. 18, 1863.

Susannah Williams, b. Mil., Aug. 1, 1868.

This family have res., as above indicated, in E. Boston, Brookfield, Winthrop, and Mil. William H. Burrill m. his wf. in Big Valley, Lassen Co., Cal., and res. there. He and wf. have 2 chn; viz., —

Flora Viola, b. July 12, 1877; and another dr. b. Feb. 7, 1880.

Marietta E. Doane and hus. have a dr. b. in No. Brookfield, Oct. 20, 1874, named Susan Burrill; making 3 gd. chn. in all.

BUTTS, Bryan J., son of Daniel and Eliza (Bryan) Butts, b. Pompey, N.Y., May 6 (or 10), 1826, there being two different dates as to day of the month in the old family record. His gd. fr., Jabez Butts, once of Springfield, m. Sarah Adams. His gt. gd. fr. was Nathaniel Butts, and m. Mary Mason. Nathaniel was the youngest son of Samuel, who was first of Dorchester, and set. in Canterbury, Ct., 1707. That Samuel was a son of the Butts who came from Eng. with the Pilgrims. So we have Bryan J.[5] (Daniel,[4] Nathaniel,[3] Samuel,[2] and the Pilgrim immigrant[1]). On the mr.'s side, he says, "My mr., b. Canterbury, Ct., was the eldest child of Reuben and Olive (Chapin) Bryan, who reared a family of 10 or 11 chn. My gd. mr. Olive was a very large woman, and my gd. fr. Reuben a very small man; their chn. uncommonly healthy and gifted. Their mr. was a 'great politician,' so called; and of six sons four were lawyers, two of them being judges, and one of the number, John A. Bryan, was gov. (or lieut.-gov.) of Ohio, and also foreign minister." Of himself he says, "I was a schoolmaster in youth; studied law one yr.; subsequently entered and 'graduated' from Meadville, Penn., Theological School; preached several yrs.; became interested in socialism; came to the Hopedale Community in 1852, entering 'The Practical Christian' printing-office as printer and writer. I finally bought out the materials, edited a monthly, and published tracts, written by myself and wf., Mrs. H. N. Greene, to whom I was married

(without surrender of name) in 1858. Having no chn., my 'lineal descendants' are as *minus* as my stupendous ancestry is *plus* in the history of my 'tribe.'" Mr. B. does his own thinking on all subjects, without license from any quarter, and fearlessly expresses his opinions in his own unique style. He is a Socialist and Progressionist of the most unfettered, individualistic type. To the foregoing it is proper to add what Mr. B. communicated, at the same time time, relating to his wf.: —

"GREENE, HARRIET NEWELL; gd. fr., Job Greene, had 10 chn., — 6 boys and 4 girls: boys, Thomas, John, Samuel, Daniel, and Job, jun.; girls, Maria (a Quakeress preacher), Ruth, Annie, and Sarah. John, Harriet's fr., b. Smithfield, R.I., Jan., 1794. Harriet was the eldest of 6 chn., b. Jan. 18, 1819; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Ann Tinkham. She has 2 surviving bros. and 1 sister, Abbie G. Comstock, an occasional writer of published poems. Deborah, Job Greene's sister, and gt. aunt to John's chn., was also a writer, and authoress of several books. Harriet came to Hopedale, April, 1852; m. B. J. Butts, Dec. 19, 1858; cer. by Adin Ballou; and for 6 yrs. or more was connected, in editorial labors, with her hus. in publishing 'The Spiritual Reformer' and 'Modern Age.' She is authoress of 'Children's Books,' as well as romances for adults, and of newspaper correspondence. Her 'Vine-Cottage Stories' impart *moral* lessons on peace, temperance, spiritualism, and other reforms." She d. at Hopedale, May 6, 1881.

I think this is the only instance in which the name Butts occurs in our history.

CAREY, WILLIAM, and wf. *Esther*, dwelt here in the early days of the Precinct, and had a son bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz., —

JOSIAH, bap. Sept. 1, 1745.

Whence this family came, or whither they went, I get no intimation. In our time we have several Irish Americans of this surname in town. We find them in our directories to the number of 8 in our last. But as none of them have signified a desire to appear in this volume, perhaps I need not specify them.

CARPENTER, SETH PRIME, Esq.[7] (Reuben,[6] Elisha,[5] Noah,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. on our border, just in the edge of Upton, if I mistake not, Nov. 25, 1802. He traces his pedigree as follows: William Carpenter, b. in Eng., 1576, left Harwell, took ship "Revis" at Southampton 1638, and arrived at Boston or vicinity the same yr. He brought with him a son William and his 4 chn., under ten yrs. of age. His son William was b. in Eng. 1605. He m. Abigail, who was b. 1606, and moved from Weymouth to Rehoboth 1643 or 1644. He had a son William, who was also b. in Eng. 1630. This 3d William was twice m. in Rehoboth; raised up chn., and d. Jan. 26, 1703. He had a son Noah, b. March 28, 1672, who was thrice m., and reared chn. He d. in Attleboro', June 7, 1753. He left a son Elisha, b. Aug. 28, 1721; m. Anne Whitaker, March 15, 1744; and d. perhaps in Sutton, Aug. 2, 1789. Mrs. Anne d. Sut., Feb. 23, 1804. Reuben, son of Elisha, was b. in Attleboro', Feb. 23, 1757; m. Sally Fuller, 1776, who d. Aug., 1797. He next m. Hannah Cook, b. Feb. 10, 1761; and d. Oct. 5, 1802, in Upton. She d. March 20, 1840. I found Mr. Carpenter here in 1824, when I came into town. Prob. he was here some yrs. earlier. He has been an active, enterprising, and influential citizen from early man-

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hood to his green old age. In business, in civil and political life, and in social intercourse, he has been respectably conspicuous among our inhabitants; serving in various responsible town offices, and twenty-one yrs. as justice of the peace. In his latter yrs. he has been devoting his time, money, and ingenuity largely to fish-culture, especially to the rearing of trout. He has an establishment of this nature in the south-westerly part of Uxbridge, richly worth visiting by persons at all interested in such enterprises. This I know from actual observation. My wf. and self, by kind invitation, accepted a ride thither 26th June, 1879, with himself and lady, to our great enjoyment. The location, natural advantages, ingenious contrivances, and exhibition of beautiful trout in various stages of growth, were truly admirable. We could only regret, amid the entertainment of the occasion, that untoward experiments and mishaps have hitherto precluded the pecuniary success which the persevering projector so eminently deserves.

He m., 1st, *Maria Barber*, dr. of James and Nancy (Parks) Barber, b. Mil., July 9, 1806; cer. Jan. 25, 1825, by the writer. They had b. to them one son: —

Byron, b. Sept. 14, 1829; m. Jane A. Mason, Oct. 25, 1849; d. March 15, 1872.

Mrs. Maria d. Feb. 12, 1831. The hus. m., 2d, *Diana Barber*, sister of the deceased Maria, b. March 31, 1808; cer. Aug. 28, 1831, by the writer. Chn.: —

Reuben Earl, b. March 26, 1832; m. Eunice Fisher, Feb. 22, 1870; res. Ashland; has 4 chn.

George W., b. July 28, 1834; d. Aug. 10, 1837.

Hannah Maria, b. Aug. 16, 1836; d. July 24, 1843.

Diana, b. March 1, 1845.

Nancy Marion, b. March 19, 1847; m. Charles Henry Metcalf, Dec. 4, 1867.

Hannah Maria, b. June 20, 1850.

It should be emphatically added to the credit of Mr. C., that, in connection with the late David Stearns Godfrey and a few other devoted citizens, he took a very important part in the preliminary labors indispensable to procuring the Milford and Framingham Branch Railroad. Those labors were manifold, arduous, and persistent. The present generation of our inhabitants can have but a faint conception and appreciation of what they owe to those hard-working pioneers in the obtainment of that road. Without their self-sacrificing exertion, its great facilities would probably have long been postponed. The public also owe him a large debt of respect and gratitude for his exertions in pioneering and opening the Pine-Grove Cemetery.

CARPENTER, William H., ancestry not traced; son of Christopher C. and and Mary B. (McCrillis) Carpenter, b. Deerfield, N.H., Jan. 19, 1822; m. *Isabelle E. Slocomb*, dr. of Rufus and Betsey S. (Sargent) Slocomb, b. Haverhill, Oct. 6, 1828; cer. Haverhill, Feb. 10, 1847, by Rev. Massena Goodrich. Their chn.: —

Elzo E., b. Haverhill, Sept. 8, 1848; m. Edward L. Wood, Fitchburg, Feb. 1, 1871.

Rufus S., b. Haverhill, Aug. 26, 1850; m. Mary M. Miller, Waukegan, Ill. May 5, 1873.

William E., b. Chelsea, Sept. 3, 1855; d. Mil., Sept. 24, 1865.

Minnie B., b. Chelsea, April 14, 1861.

Grandchn.: —

WILLIAM M. CARPENTER, son of Rufus S., b. Mil., March 6, 1874; d. 1877.
GEORGIANA B. CARPENTER, dr. of Rufus S., b. Mil., Nov. 28, 1879.
BESSIE WOOD, dr. of Edward L., b. Lewiston, Me., Oct. 2, 1876.

Mr. C. is a respected employee of Estabrook, Wires, & Co. Doubtless a worthy family, though not of my acquaintance. They have res. in Haverhill, Chelsea, Boston, and Mil.

CARPENTER, BYRON[8] (Seth P.,[7] Reuben,[6] Elisha,[5] Noah,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1829; mr.'s maiden name, Maria Barber; m. *Jane A. Mason*, dr. of John and Sally (Wheeler) Mason, b. Mil., June 4, 1831; cer. at the parental res., Oct. 25, 1849, by the writer. Issue:—

JENNIE LIND, b. Mil., March 20, 1851; m. Frederick T. King, Oct. 8, '81.
SETH PRIME, b. Mil., April 7, 1853; d. Jan. 25, 1877.
ARABELLA MARIA, b. Mil., July 6, 1855; m. Eugene T. Walker, Oct. 14, 1874.
MATTIE WHEELER, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1857.
JOHN MASON, b. Mil., Aug. 7, 1859.
REUBEN EARL, b. Mil., July 28, 1861.
WALTER BACHELOR, b. Mil., Sept. 10, 1863.
GRACE GEORGIANA, b. Mil., Feb. 10, 1865.
COSIE, b. Mil., Sept. 7, 1866.

Grandchn.:—

ALICE WALKER, b. May, 1876.
HARRY WALKER, b. Nov., 1878.

These are chn. of Eugene T. and Arabella Maria Walker.

A worthy family, early bereaved of their paternal head. Byron C. was a diligent, provident, and orderly man in the various relations of life. He d. in the ripeness of middle age, March 15, 1872, at the a. of about 43 yrs. His wid. and 8 of their chn. still survive, all usefully engaged in laudable pursuits. Arabella and hus. and 2 chn. res. Hopedale.

CARPENTER, Dea. HIRAM, son of Oliver and Emma.

Hiram Carpenter, son of Oliver and Emma, d. Jan. 13, 1863, chronic diarrhœa. See War Record. Others not reported.

CARROLL, RICHARD, son of Michael and Mary (Woods) Carroll, b. in Ireland, Feb. 1, 1816; stone-mason; m. *Catherine Davis*, dr. of John and Johanna (Brennan) Davis, b. Ireland, April 1, 1826; cer. Mil., 1851, by Rev. George Hamilton. Issue:—

MICHAEL JOSEPH, Rev., b. Mil., June 19, 1852; grad. Holy Cross Col.; Cath. priest.
JOHANNA MARIA, b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1856.
CHARLES WILLIAM, b. Mil., Nov. 1, 1863.
CATHERINE VERONICA, b. Mil., Oct. 19, 1865.
RICHARD DAVIS, b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1868.

One of our intelligent, enterprising, and worthy Irish-American families. Mr. C. is an executive, judicious, and successful business-man in his calling; a good citizen among us for over 30 yrs.; and an influential member of St. Mary's Ch.

CARRYL, BENJAMIN, prob. son of Benjamin and Mary, b. Hop., April 22, 1732; admitted to full communion in our Cong. ch., April 4, 1756. If I mistake not, he stud. divinity, and became a set. Cong. clergyman.

CARTER, DANIEL, ptge. not ascertained; b. prob. in Hop. about 1754; m., 1st, *Hannah Newton*, prob. dr. of Jason and Hannah (Warren) Newton, then

of Mil.; birth-date not found; cer. April 25, 1787, by Rev. A. Frost. When warned out of town in 1791, they had a dr. Sarah; but of her I learn no more. Mrs. Hannah d. here Jan. 15, 1813. The hus. m., 2d, *Asenith Ball*, dr. of Josiah, jun., and Sarah (Palmer) Ball, b. June 6, 1772; cer. Mil., May 23, 1814, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue:—

SALLY, b. Mil., Nov. 21, 1815; d. Aug. 28, 1838.

DANIEL, b. Mil., Sept. 11, 1818.

Daniel, the hus. and fr., d. April 8, 1820, a. 65 yrs. Mrs. Asenith, the wid. mr., d. April 12, 1834, a. 62 yrs.

CARTER, DANIEL HENRY, son of Emery and Lucinda (Sawyer) Carter, gd. son of Daniel and Dolly (Jones) Carter, b. in Berlin, Feb. 1, 1815; m. *Lucy Ann Hartwell*, dr. of Leonard and Abigail (Pierce) Hartwell, b. in W. Boylston, Aug. 3, 1822; cer. in Berlin, April 8, 1841, by Rev. Daniel S. Whitney. No chn. except adopted or foster ones. Mr. C. and wf. became early interested in the great moral and social reforms. They moved to Hopedale in the autumn of 1849, subsequently became members of the Community, and remained here till 1861. On returning to Berlin, they set. on a farm on Sawyer Hill, where they have since res. They are hard-working, upright, kind-hearted people, and devoted liberal Christians.

CARTER, EDWARD, and CARTER, GEORGE W., appear in our Directory for 1880. No family records recd.

Other sojourners of this name need not be mentioned. They have been few.

CHADWICK (*alias* CHADDOCK), THOMAS, pedigree, etc., untraced; was here before the incorporation of the Precinct, and one of the petitioners for it. Wf. *Margaret* recd. to full com. in Mr. Frost's ch., Feb. 9, 1743-44; and child ELIZABETH bap. April 29, 1744. Further light from Mendon records shows Mr. C. to have had a former wf. *Mary* and chn.; viz., —

ZERUIAH, b. Nov. 2, 1729.

THOMAS, jun., b. March 12, 1731; and JOSEPH, b. July 10, 1732. He lived in the No. Purchase. No further traced.

CHAMBERLAIN, JOSEPH, of Hop. was m. to *Lucy Whitney* of Mil., April 6, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. No further traced.

CHAMBERLAIN, SAMUEL, of Holl., was m. to *Magaret Bullard*, May 13, 1755, by Rev. A. Frost; and he bap. their dr. EUNICE, June 19, 1763. No further traced.

Persons of this name abound in Hop., Holl., and adjacent towns; but very few have dwelt within our municipal limits, and these latterly. I find in our directories the following:—

CHAMBERLAIN, CHESTER L., baker, 1856, '78.
CHAMBERLAIN, FRANKLIN, boarder, 1856.
CHAMBERLAIN, NELSON, bootmaker, 1856, '69, '72, '78.
CHAMBERLAIN, EUGENE C., bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
CHAMBERLAIN, GEORGE M., bootmaker, 1869.
CHAMBERLAIN, WILLIAM, bootmaker, 1869.
CHAMBERLAIN, WILLIAM H., bootmaker, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
CHAMBERLAIN, GEORGE H., moulder, Hopedale, 1872, '75, '78.
CHAMBERLAIN, EMILY A., wid. of Henry F., 1880.
CHAMBERLIN, GEORGE, clerk, 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
CHAMBERLIN, Mrs. E. C., dressmaker, 1880.
CHAMBERLIN, WILLIAM, cutter, 1875.

No report of family record from any of these.

CHAPIN. The Chapins take honorable rank among our earliest settlers and succeeding population. They have contributed their share to the pecuniary, intellectual, and moral wealth of the community. Capt. Seth Chapin was the first of his name that set. on our territory. He was the fifth son of Josiah Chapin, Esq., an eminent citizen of Mendon Town, whose home was on what has for many yrs. been known as "the Doggett place." He was a son of Samuel and Cicely Chapin, who emigrated from England to Roxbury with several chn. as early as 1636, and afterwards set. permanently in Springfield. There Samuel Chapin soon became a distinguished man, both in ch. and state. His son Josiah inherited superior natural abilities, and added to them valuable acquirements for the practical business of life. He was an eminent land-surveyor, apt in public affairs, and an enterprising pecuniary economist. He res. in Braintree for some yrs., where nearly all of his numerous chn. were b., and where several of them grew up. After King Philip's war, when the resettlement of Mendon had well commenced, as early as 1682, he joined the new settlers there, and very soon became a conspicuous chief among the people. The old records show that scarcely any thing of importance was done in the town without his official management or special advice. He was honored with the highest municipal and civil positions; and even after he had reached his octogenarian yrs., when he was disposed to excuse himself from active executive duties, his fellow-citizens still insisted, by vote, that their less experienced officials should sit at the patriarch's feet for instruction how to discharge their duties. No wonder, that, under such circumstances, he became a large proprietor of the common lands, and that he accumulated riches as well as honors. He lived to be full 92 yrs. of age. Before I treat of his son, Capt. Seth, and of his settlement within our borders, I may properly tabulate his fr.'s family record. Fortunately he left, under his own hand, the principal data for such a tabulation.

CHAPIN, JOSIAH, Esq.[2] (Samuel[1]), b., I presume, in Eng., 1634; m., 1st, at the age of about 24 yrs., *Mary King*, in Weymouth, Nov., 1658. Their chn. were, —

SAMUEL, b. Weymouth, Nov. 11, 1659; drowned at sea April 10, 1692.

JOHN, b. Braintree, June 11, 1661; d. at sea 1686.

MARY, b. Braintree, Aug. 27, 1662; m. Joseph Adams, Braintree, 1682; d. June 14, 1687.

DEBORAH, b. Braintree, June 16, 1664; d. Aug. 16, 1668.

JOSIAH, b. Braintree, Dec. 17, 1665; slain in Lord Russell's fight May 20, 1693.

SHEM, b. Braintree, May 11, 1667; d. June 6, 1667, a mere infant.

SETH, b. Braintree, Aug. 4, 1668; conspicuous as one of our earliest settlers.

JOSEPH, b. Braintree, May 17, 1670; soldier in the army; never m.

HENRY, b. Braintree, Feb. 15, 1671; d. March 20, 1671, a mere infant.

EPHRAIM, b. Braintree, Dec. 18, 1673; set. in Uxbridge, and prominent there.

DEBORAH, b. Braintree, Feb. 12, 1675; m. Samuel Read, Mendon, July 8, 1693.

His 1st wf., Mary d. May 30, 1676. He m., 2d, at Ipswich, *Lydia Brown*, Sept. 20, 1676. Their chn. were, —

LYDIA, b. Braintree, Sept. 29, 1677; m. Daniel Taft, Dec. 6, 1706.

SARAH, b. Braintree, March 12, 1679; m. Ebenezer Read, Feb. 7, 1703–04.

DAVID, b. Braintree, Nov. 11, 1680; d. Oct. 4, 1704.

HANNAH, b. Mendon, Nov. 11, 1684; m. John Holbrook, June 13, 1706.

His 2d wf., Lydia, d. Oct. 11, 1711. He m., 3d, *Mehetabel Metcalf* of Ded-

ham, June 22, 1713. No issue. His 3d wf., Mehetabel, d. Dec. 2, 1724. He himself d. during the yr. 1726 at the advanced age of 92. Thus it is seen that he had been the fr. of 15 chn., and the husband of 3 successive wives. Truly he seems to have obeyed the ancient injunction, "Multiply, and replenish the earth." And it will be seen below that his son Seth went and did likewise; for he was worthy of his illustrious sire.

CHAPIN, Capt. SETH[3] (Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Braintree, Aug. 4, 1668; m., 1st, *Mary Read*, May 23, 1689. She survived less than four months, and d. without issue, Sept. 12, 1689. He m., 2d, *Bethiah Thurston*, March 25, 1691. Their chn. were, —

SETH, jun., b. Medfield, July 2, 1692; one of our most conspicuous early citizens.

BETHIAH, b., place not given, Feb. 16, 1693; m. Jonathan Thayer, jun., Oct. 1, 1714.

JOSIAH, b., place not given, March 1, 1695–96; untraced.

JOHN, b., place not given, May 13, 1698; always res. here; dea. of the ch., etc.

MARY, b. hereabouts April 30, 1700; m. Robert Taft.

SAMUEL, b. hereabouts June 2, 1702; not well traced.

DEBORAH, b. hereabouts June 14, 1704; m. Nathaniel Nelson, April 15, 1725.

HOPESTILL, b. hereabouts Nov. 27, 1715; m. the 2d Dr. John Corbett, Bell.

JOSEPH, b. hereabouts March 6, 1707; m. Mary Nelson, Feb. 5, 1729.

ABIGAIL, b. hereabouts June 10, 1710; untraced.

LYDIA, b. hereabouts Feb. 2, 1712; m. —— Taft.

BENJAMIN, b. hereabouts April 6, 1713; m. Sarah French, Feb. 23, 1732–33.

EBENEZER, b. hereabouts Dec. 23, 1714; lived and d. in old Mendon.

JAPHETH, b. hereabouts Feb. 24, 1716; d. April 15, 1717.

The mr. d. March 2, 1744; the fr. in April, 1746. It appears from the old proprietary records that Capt. Seth Chapin had acquired a family homestead and domicile near the "Post Lane" bridge on Mill River some time previous to May 26, 1700; for at that date he had the following-described parcel of land laid out to him: "Forty-five acres of the 4th division laid out to Seth Chapin, and in possession of said Chapin, encompassing the said Chapin's homestead and meadow upon the Mill River," etc. (See Part I. of this work, Chap. III. p. 38.) He went on adding parcel after parcel to his real estate, till he became the owner of several hundred acres on our territory. In 1713 he and his wf. made a gift-deed of 60 acres to their son Seth, jun., situated in what we now call So. Hopedale. Aug. 31, 1715, they sold and deeded to Josiah Wood, formerly of Concord, their homestead, consisting of 150 acres, with the buildings thereon. They then removed to Mendon Town, to live thenceforth with or near his venerable fr., Josiah Chapin, Esq. There, while fulfilling his filial duties with exemplary fidelity, he was welcomed to the front rank of official dignity, and finally closed a life of 78 yrs. with very similar manifestations of public confidence and respect to those enjoyed by his honored father.

CHAPIN, EPHRAIM[3] (Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), who set. in Uxbridge, I have omitted to trace further. His descendants are numerous.

CHAPIN, SETH, jun.[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. July 2, 1692; m., 1st, *Abigail Adams* of Braintree, Feb. 5, 1713. She was a dr. of Joseph and Mary (Chapin) Adams; b. Feb. 17, 1684. That Mary (Chapin) Adams was the groom's own aunt; so it seems that he m. his first cousin, and that she was nearly eight yrs. the oldest. She was aunt to John Adams, 2d President of the U.S.

Hon. Henry Chapin, in his address at the famous Chapin gathering, 1862, says Seth, jun., was described as "rich, very talented, one of the first men, wore a gold ring," etc. We trust he may have had even higher accomplishments than these, but cannot presume to say. Their chn.: —

SARAH, b. 1715; m. Samuel Rawson, date not found.

MARY, b. 1717; untraced.

JOSIAH, b. 1719; m. Rachel ——.

ABIGAIL, b. 1721; untraced.

Abigail, the mr., d. April 28, 1722. The fr. m., 2d, *Elizabeth* ——, pedigree, etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

THOMAS, b. 1723; m. Mercy Boynton, April 14, 1747.

DANIEL, b. 1727; m., 1st, Abigail Corbett, July 4, 1754; 2d, Abigail Brown, 1758.

RACHEL, b. 1730; m. Nathaniel Jones, jun., May 20, 1747.

LYDIA, b. 1732; untraced.

SETH, b. 1733; untraced.

MOSES, b. 1736; m. Lydia Atwood, Dec. 9, 1756.

Seth Chapin, jun., was a large landholder in various sections of our territory. His homestead was in So. Hopedale, and his dwelling-house stood about 40 rods south of the Mendon road down Hopedale St., on the handsome swell at the left hand, some little distance north of Thomas Moore's cottage. The remains that might indicate the exact site have been entirely obliterated within a few yrs. It was approachable probably by lanes from the Post Lane or Sherborn road north, and also a much travelled way of former times that led from Post Lane somewhere on Neck Hill south-eastwardly over the river, near what is now Samuel Walker's mill establishment, out to the Newell Nelson place. That was once a largely travelled public way, and is even yet traceable through much of its winding route. Seth Chapin, jun., must have possessed a very ample home-farm, besides his numerous outlands in various localities. But he did not attain to the age of his progenitors; dying while yet in middle life, — in his 46th year. He d., according to Elder Nathaniel Nelson's record, April 1, 1737; but his estate was not appraised till May 6, 1740. Whether Nelson's memorandum gives the correct date of his death I am not quite sure. Worcester probate records may settle it.

CHAPIN, Dea. JOHN, sen.[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. May 13, 1698; m. *Dorcas* ——, pedigree, mge. date, etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

DORCAS, b. 1720; m. Benjamin Thurston, Grafton, Nov. 24, 1768.

JOSIAH, b. 1722; d. young.

BETHIAH, b. 1724; m. Thomas Walker, Hop., April 12, 1750.

JAPHETH, b. 1726; m. Patience Hayward, Nov. 5, 1749.

JOSHUA, b. 1728; m. Mary Hayward, March 20, 1750.

JOHN, jun., b. 1730; mostly res. here; dea. and elder of the ch.

SOLOMON, b. 1733; m. Joanna White, May 28, 1754.

PETER, b. 1736; untraced.

Dorcas, the mr., d. Aug 22, 1767. The fr. m., 2d, *Ruth Bullard*, Sherborn; cer. Sept. 10, 1768, by Rev. Samuel Locke. No chn. She survived him. Dea. John, sen., had his homestead directly south of his bro. Seth, jun. It has been known in our day as the Ezekiel White place. It was a handsome est., and the Dea. seems to have held a very respectable standing in society. He was one of the original twenty-six members of the mother ch. in Mendon, who seceded, and formed the second here in 1741. He was prominent in the new

ch. and Precinct, and was chosen Dea. in 1749. He d. Aug. 31, 1777, leaving a will, according to which his est. was set. in due time by his son John, jun. His wid. Ruth's death-date not ascertained.

CHAPIN, SAMUEL[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 2, 1702; m. *Anna Craggin*, May 19, 1729; ptge., etc., not ascertained.

No chn. recorded in Mendon. Said to have set. in Wardsboro', Vt. It is traditionally reported of the hus. that he fought on Bunker Hill, and during the battle had a leg broken. If so, he must have been an aged soldier.

CHAPIN, JOSEPH[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 6, 1707; and m. *Mary Nelson*, Feb. 5, 1729; cer. by Josiah Chapin, Esq. She was a dr. of Gershom and Abigail (Ellithorpe) Nelson, b. April 16, 1713; and a sr. of Eld. Nathaniel Nelson. Their chn. were, —

JOSEPH, b. 1731; untraced.

ABIGAIL, b. 1732; m. Silas Rawson, Jan. 5, 1762.

GERSHOM, b. 1734; m., 1st, Betty Johnson, 1758; 2d, Deborah Torrey, 1762.

SAMUEL, b. 1736; m. Beulah ——.

EPHRAIM, b. May 5, 1745; m., 1st, Hannah Rider, Holl.; 2d, Wid. Anna Tidd.

Whether there were any other chn., I am uninformed, but presume not.

The parents were recd. into the Cong. ch. here from the First Ch. in Mendon, March 26, 1769. I infer from this transfer of relationship that they had then recently become res. here, but had aforetime dwelt elsewhere, prob. in old Mendon. Their son Ephraim seems to have preceded them in the Easterly Precinct, and soon became a conspicuous citizen here. Under his filial auspices, as may be presumed, they spent the last yrs. of their lives at a small homestead on Main St., not far from the Luther Claflin place. He d. July 1, 1788; and his son Ephraim, as execr., set. his est. His wid., *Mary (Nelson) Chapin*, d. Feb. 16, 1798.

CHAPIN, BENJAMIN[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. April 6, 1713; and m. *Sarah French*, Feb. 23, 1732–33. They had —

HANNAH, b. March 4, 1734. Unable to trace further.

CHAPIN, EBENEZER[4] (Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Dec. 23, 1714; and m., 1st, *Abigail Whiting* of Framingham, March 29, 1743. Her ptge. and date of birth not ascertained. He was the youngest son of Capt. Seth that lived to manhood, dwelt with his fr. on the ancient homestead in Mendon Town, and d. there. Their chn. were, —

MARY, b. 1744; m., I think, Ebenezer Read.

SETH, b. 1746; lived and d. in Mendon; Dea. there, etc.

ABIGAIL, b. 1748; untraced.

EBENEZER, jun., b. 1752; understood to have lived and d. in Mendon

The mr. d. Nov. 8, 1756. The fr. m., 2d, *Mary Vose* of Milton in 1757; ptge. and birth-date not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

RUTH, b. 1757; d. young.

LOIS, b. 1762; d. young.

This 2d wf. and mr.'s death-date not ascertained. The fr. m., 3d, Wid. *Lydia Staples*, April 25, 1776. She was the 3d wf. and surviving wid. of Abraham Staples.

CHAPIN, JOSIAH[5] (Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1719; and m., 1st, *Rachel* ——; pedigree, date of mge., etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were —

STEPHEN, b. 1745; lived and d. a citizen of his native vicinage.

ABIGAIL, b. 1747; m. Daniel Norcross, Oct. 30, 1765.

Adams, b. 1750; res. always here; influential citizen; just. peace, etc.
Rhoda, b, 1752; m. Ichabod Newton, Jan. 12, 1769.
Lydia, b. 1753; d. Jan. 18, 1759.
Deborah, b. 1757; m. Samuel Davis, Aug. 29, 1776.
Josiah, b. 1759; untraced.
Simeon, b. 1761; untraced.
Rachel, b. 1764; m. Paul Davis, Nov. 27, 1783.
Levi, b. 1766; untraced.
Marvel, b. 1768; m., 1st, Polly (*alias* Mary) Nelson; 2d, Susanna Brooks.

The mr. d. April 17, 1769. The fr. m., 2d, Wid. *Mary Corbett*, Feb. 7, 1770; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was the wid. of Daniel Corbett, res. in Nc. Purchase. No chn. by this mge. This Josiah Chapin's homestead was near and around Samuel Walker's present mansion. Our records show that he was a man of reputable standing in community, and held various public offices. He became a member of the ch. in his declining yrs., being admitted to full com., May 17, 1787. His death-date not ascertained; sometime after 1787. Prob. Wor. Probate Registry may tell. His wid. Mary d. Nov. 7, 1809.

CHAPIN, Thomas[5] (Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1723; and m. *Mercy Boynton*, Aug. 14, 1747; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Her pedigree untraced. Their chn. were, —

Seth, bap. by Rev. A. Frost, June 12, 1748; d. soon.
Mercy, bap. by Rev. A. Frost, Jan. 27, 1750–51.
Seth, bap. by Rev. A. Frost, June 10, 1753.
Elizabeth, bap. by Rev. A. Frost, Dec. 7, 1755.

I have found myself unable to trace this family further.

CHAPIN, Daniel[5] (Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1727; and m., 1st, *Abigail Corbett* of Bell., July 4, 1754; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Dr. John and Hopestill (Chapin) Corbett, b. Bell., 1729. Their chn. were, —

Rachel, b. 1755; untraced.
David, b. 1757; d. May 14, 1757.

The mr. d. May 25, 1757. The fr. m., 2d, Wid. *Abigail Brown*, March 2, 1758; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn. were, —

Oliver, b. 1759; m. Mary Jones, April 29, 1784.
Daniel, b. 1761.
Abigail, b. 1764.
Hopestill, b. 1766; d. Feb. 22, 1767.
Amariah, b. 1768.

This family no further traced.

CHAPIN, Moses[5] (Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1736; and m. *Lydia Atwood*, Dec. 9, 1756; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Eldad, sen., and Martha Atwood, b. about 1735. Their chn. were, —

David, b. 1757; set. ultimately just above the Five Corners, Upton.
Jerusha, b. 1760; m. Nathan Nelson, March 8, 1781.
Elizabeth, b. 1762; m. John Saunders, Oct. 27, 1785.
Nathan, b. 1765; lived and d. here; a dea. of the ch., etc.
Henry, b. 1767; d. April 9, 1781, a. 14 yrs.
Lydia, b. 1770; m. Asa Thayer, Mil., Jan. 23, 1791.
Olive, b. 1772; m. Robert Saunders, jun., Nov. 25, 1792.
Anna, birth-date not found; m. Nahum Legg, Oct. 21, 1802.

Moses Chapin, having become a paralytic, desired to be recd. into the ch.

on his death-bed. I find on the ch. records, in Rev. Mr. Long's handwriting, under date of June 7, 1802, the following entry: "Church met at the house of Mr. Moses Chapin, as proposed yesterday, and admitted him as a member according to his desire, and as it appeared much to his satisfaction, though so weak as to be unable to converse. N.B. — Mr. Chapin died on Wednesday following, about 1 o'clock, morn. [June 9, 1802], and was buried Thursday, June 10. A sermon preached at the funeral at 2 P.M. upon Matt. xx. 6, 7." His homestead was next north of our town asylum. He had the reputation of being an upright, kind, and hospitable man through life, though postponing ch. membership to the last. It was proverbial that the latchstring of "uncle Moses" always hung out. His wid. Lydia d. Feb. 8, 1813.

CHAPIN, JAPHETH[5] (John, sen.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1726; and m. *Patience Hayward*, dr. of Jonathan and Lydia (Albee) Hayward, b. Bearhill dist., July 24, 1728; cer. Nov. 5, 1749, by whom not learned. Their chn., so far as recorded hereabouts, were, —

JOSIAH, b. 1750.

SUSANNA, b. 1751.

JONATHAN, b. 1754.

The ch. records show that Japheth Chapin and wf. were disd. from the ch. here to the new one then being embodied in "No. 3," 1755. This "No. 3," so called, became afterwards incorporated as the District of Southfield in 1797, and was annexed to Sandisfield, Feb. 8, 1819. It was this "No. 3" in which Rev. Cornelius Jones, son of John Jones, jun., was ordained as the first minister in 1756, the services being held in a barn. To that ch., as elsewhere stated, both Rev. Cornelius Jones and later his father were disd. from the ch. here. How many more chn. Japheth Chapin and wf. had in their new home, I have not inquired.

CHAPIN, JOSHUA[5] (John, sen.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1728; and m. *Mary Hayward*, March 20, 1750-51; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Jonathan and Lydia Hayward, and was b. Sept. 22, 1733. Their chn. were, —

AMOS, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, June 7, 1752.

JOSHUA, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Aug. 18, 1754.

PETER, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Oct. 31, 1756.

MARY, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Sept. 30, 1759.

Joshua Chapin, in 1757, owned the Obed Daniels place, as appears from the following town record: "We, the subscribers, upon the desire of Doct. Jennison and Joshua Chapin, have met and viewed the road leading from James Sumner's house to Sherborn road; and we find said Joshua Chapin's standing on said road. And we, upon their desire, have laid said road, being three rods wide, at the east end of said Chapin's house, and think it will be no damage to the public, provided said Chapin makes said new road as feasible as the former road. And that said Chapin have that part of the former road that will be on the south-west side of the road that we have now laid." Signed by Joseph Jones, Nathl. Rawson, and Samuel Green, Selectmen, March 14, 1757. Dr. William Jennison is believed to have bought that house afterwards, and opened it as a store and inn; certainly one or the other, or both. Joshua Chapin and wf. were disd. to the ch. in New Marlborough, July 12, 1772. So the family disappeared from this vicinity.

CHAPIN, JOHN, jun., dea. and eld.[5] (John,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]) b. 1730; and m. *Rhoda Albee*, May 28, 1754; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Obadiah and Jean Albee, b. June 1, 1731. Their chn. were, —

Bethiah, b. 1755; m. Levi Hayward, May 28, 1776; set. in Townshend, Vt.
Isaac, b. 1756; m. Rachel Wheaton, Oct. 18, 1781.
Jacob, b. 1758; d. young.
Rhoda, b. 1760; m. —— Wedge; set. in Heath, Mass.
Jacob, b. 1762; mem. ch. here 1786; no further traced.
Olive, b. 1764.
Phebe, b. 1766; m. Stephen Thompson, May 4, 1783; set. in Heath, Mass.
John, b. 1768; m. Lydia Wedge, April 29, 1792.
Ziba, b. 1770; removed to Jamaica, Vt.
Perly, b. 1772.

If I have not misunderstood, these parents dwelt on the paternal homestead at the Ezekiel White place. The fr. was chosen dea. of our Cong. ch. in 1774, and eld. in 1785. Evidently he stood well in the community. But it appears from the ch. record, that, having sold out his real est., he removed from Mil. in 1804: "May 30, 1804. Church tarry after lecture, by request of Eld. Chapin, and voted a letter of recommendation to him, his wife, and Rhoda, their daughter, to the fellowship of the saints wherever God in his providence may cast their lot, they being about to remove from this place; said letter containing a dismission from this ch., to be in force whenever they shall be admitted to any other ch. in gospel standing." I have not understood where the elder finally set.

CHAPIN, Gershom[5] (Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1734; and m., 1st, *Betty Johnson* of Ux., March 9, 1758; cer. by Rev. Mr. Webb. She soon d. childless; and the hus. m., 2d, *Deborah Torrey* of Mendon; cer. May 5, 1762, by Rev. Mr. Dorr. Their chn. were, —

Betty, b. 1763.
Henry, b. 1765.
Joseph, b. 1767.
Lois, b. 1771.
Phinehas, b. 1769.

I find myself unable to trace this family further, without a too costly research.

CHAPIN, Samuel[5] (Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1736; and m. *Beulah* ——; her pedigree, birth-date, mge.-date, and kindred particulars, not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

Jesse, b. 1761.
Chloe, b. 1763.
Candace, b. 1765.
Artemas, b. 1766.
Nathan, b. 1767.

These parents appear to have had their sons Artemas and Nathan bap. here, and must have dwelt here at that time, which was 1772 to 1774; but where they more permanently res., first and last, or what became of them, I have not ascertained.

CHAPIN, Lieut. Ephraim[5] (Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. May 5, 1745; and m., 1st, *Hannah Rider* of Holl.; cer. May, 1768. She was a dr. of Joseph and Sarah (Morse) Rider, b. Aug. 8, 1751. Their chn. were, —

Levi, b. Dec. 22, 1768; known as Maj. Levi; lived and d. in our town.
Ede, b. 1773; d. young.
Joel, b. March 4, 1777; m. Rosanna Fairbanks; d. Holl., Nov. 23, 1804.
Eli, b. May 1, 1780; well-remembered townsman; d. in advanced yrs.

Amos, b. July 5, 1782; Dea. Amos, well remembered and respected.

The mr. d. Dec. 19, 1807. The fr. m., 2d, *Anna Tidd* of Holl. She was a wid.; pedigree not traced; cer. 1809. Lieut. Ephraim d. March 26, 1812. Various records and references to him plainly indicate that he was an enterprising, energetic, and responsible man, who stood well as a ch. member and citizen. His wid.'s death-date not ascertained.

CHAPIN, Dea. Seth, of Mendon[5] (Ebenezer,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1746; and m. *Ruth Bullard* of Holl. for his 1st wf., Sept. 10, 1765. She d. without chn. in early wifehood. He m., 2d, *Elizabeth Rawson* of Mendon, Oct. 27, 1767. She was a dr. of Dea. Edward and Mary (Morse) Rawson, b. April 4, 1750. Their chn. were, —

Perry, b. Feb. 26, 1769.
Elizabeth, b. Jan. 5, 1771.
Lois, b. Feb. 18, 1773.
Mary, b. March 26, 1775.

Elizabeth, the 2d wf., d., date not ascertained. Dea. Seth m., 3d, *Eunice Thompson* of Medway, Oct. 19, 1778 or 9. Their chn. were, —

Silve, b. Sept. 26, 1781.
Seth, jun., b. Jan. 25, 1783.
Ruth, b. Jan. 14, 1786.
Moses Thompson, b. Feb. 7, 1788.
Philo, b. Nov. 4, 1790.
Betsey, b. April 17, 1792.

No further traced.

CHAPIN, Ebenezer, jun., of Mendon[5] (Ebenezer,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1752; and m. *Martha Green* of Mendon, Sept. 11, 1774; her pedigree not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

Abigail, b. July 16, 1775; d. early.
Patty, b. Feb. 25, 1777; d. early.
Clarissa, b. July 14, 1778.
Samuel, b. May 25, 1780; d. early.
Abigail, b. Aug. 20, 1782.
Ebenezer, b. Oct. 7, 1784.
Samuel Green } (twins), b. Feb. 7, 1787.
Betsey } b. Feb. 7, 1787.
Sarah, b. Feb. 2, 1789; d. early.
Eliphaz, b. Jan. 11, 1791.
Patty, b. Dec. 15, 1792.
Mary, b. Jan. 8, 1795.

I have but imperfectly traced many of these Chapin families, especially those out of town. Nor was it practicable for me to give dates and details so fully as I desired. But a thorough Chapin genealogist, when he arises, will find what I have presented suggestive and helpful.

CHAPIN, Stephen[6] (Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1745; and m. *Rachel Rawson*, Jan. 21, 1768; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Thomas and Anna (Walden) Rawson; b. March 6, 1747. Their chn. were, —

Sarah, b. May 17, 1768; d. Oct. 14, 1777.
Calvin, b. Sept. 28, 1769; m.; set. in Pelham; a farmer.
Rachel, b. Aug. 14, 1771; m. Elijah Albee, Mil., farmer, Aug. 14, 1771.
Cynthia, b. Nov. 4, 1773; m. Nahum Wedge, Mil.; set. Pelham; farmer.

Luther, b. March 22, 1777; m. Polly Wedge, Mil.; set. in Pelham.

Stephen, b. Nov. 4, 1778; he was taught the alphabet by his uncle, Adams Chapin, in his seventh year; grad. H. U., 1804; ord. a Cong. minister, Hillsboro', N.H., 1805, and m. there; installed later at Mount Vernon, N.H., where he became a Baptist; later made Professor of Theology in Waterville Col., Me., from 1822 to 1828; and then elected Pres. of Columbia Col., Washington, D.C. He recd. the title of D.D. from Brown University, in 1822. He d. in Washington City, 1846.

The remaining chn. of Stephen and Rachel Chapin were, —

Seth, b. Jan. 7, 1783; m. Polly Wood of Mendon.

Otis, b. Aug. 30, 1785; m. Abigail Hayward, Mil.; set. in Monson; a manufacturer of woollen goods. He has several descendants in Monson.

Stephen Chapin had his homestead on both sides of the Sherborn road (so called in former times), since owned in various portions by Newton Daniels, Sylvanus Adams, Charles F. Chapin, etc. Rachel, the mr., d. Dec. 2, 1797. Stephen, the fr., d. March 30, 1816. Both left highly-respected memories.

CHAPIN, Adams, Esq.[6] (Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1750; and m. *Olive Sumner* of Mil., Dec. 21, 1775; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Ellis) Sumner, b. March 17, 1759. Their chn. were, —

Alexander, b. Jan. 6, 1778; demented by disease; d. Nov. 15, 1835.

Josiah, b. March 15, 1781; m. Mary Willard, July 3, 1805; set. Orrington, Me.

Betsey, b. Dec. 27, 1782; m. John Daniels, Holl., June 6, 1805.

Henry, b. March 8, 1785; d. Sept. 16, 1798.

Simeon, b. June 11, 1787; m. Ann Tidd, Sept. 22, 1814.

Rufus, b. May 15, 1789; m. Lydia Tufts in Wrenth., 1814.

Amasa, b. Oct. 30, 1791; lived unm., and d. in Hop., July 11, 1854.

Mary, b. Aug. 28, 1793; m. David Jones, 1833. She d. Sept. 17, 1866.

Joseph, b. Sept. 21, 1795; d. Aug. 22, 1798.

Ebenezer, b. July 12, 1798; d. same day.

Henry, b. Jan. 5, 1801; m. Jerusha Miller, Holl., June 4, 1832.

Adams Chapin, Esq., had his family homestead where Samuel Walker now dwells, inheriting it wholly or partly from Josiah, his father. He was naturally of bright intellect and promising capabilities. He acquired valuable scholastic knowledge from such schools as were accessible to him in early youth. Among these he used to mention one as peculiarly profitable, taught by Alexander Scammell (afterwards adjutant-general under Washington), during his college course at Cambridge. That school was kept in the ancient dwelling-house of his gd. fr., Seth Chapin, jun., the room being fitted up in the most rude and primitive style. With the start in learning thus gained, he was persuaded to set up as a school-master, at the age of fifteen, by his uncle, Moses Chapin, who had an humble domicile next beyond where our Town Asylum stands; whose doors had not a single iron hinge, but were hung on leather, and had wooden fastenings. There his schoolroom was even plainer, more contracted, and rougher furnished than the one before mentioned. But his school was small, and his success flattering. He next taught in his native district, in a house at the junction of now Elm and Green Sts., then belonging to one of the Sumners. He was proud to tell, that there he taught the alphabet to his nephew, Stephen Chapin, then over six or seven yrs. old, who became a graduate of Harvard U., a D.D., and d. Pres. of Columbia Coll., Washington City. From such a beginning he naturally rose to distinction in precinct and town

offices. He belonged, at the outbreak of the Revolution, to Capt. Samuel Warren's company of minute-men, about 30 in number; and when the alarm came of the battle at Lexington, most of the co. started in hot haste for the scene of conflict. Chapin was outside the Precinct, at work on a job of stone wall, and was the last to get notice. He instantly threw off his leather apron, ran home, equipped himself, halted a moment at Ebenezer Sumner's to bid his betrothed Olive a sad adieu, and, with great exertion, overtook his comrades at Brighton. He remained several months in camp, but came home in season to be m. in Dec., as aforesaid. Later in life he was intrusted with various responsible municipal positions. In 1804 he was commissioned as just. peace by Gov. Caleb Strong, and held that office towards 30 yrs. down to his death. Mrs. Olive, his wf., d. suddenly Oct. 5, 1822, to his great grief; and he never afterwards regained his mental buoyancy. His latter yrs. were clouded by depression of spirits and partial derangement. He d. Oct. 23, 1832, a. 82 yrs.

CHAPIN, MARVEL[6] (Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1768; and m., 1st, *Polly Nelson*, Mil., Nov. 25, 1790; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr., I presume, of Dea. Seth and Silence (Cheney) Nelson, otherwise recorded as *Mary*, and b. June 8, 1774. Their chn. were, —

ANNA, b. Oct. 15, 1791; d. Aug. 4, 1808.

HOLLIS, b. Aug. 12, 1795; went West, and d. some yrs. ago.

LINDA, b. Feb. 18, 1798; m. Eleazer Parkhurst, Dec. 3, 1818.

MARVEL Jun., b. Dec. 25, 1800; untraced.

MARY NELSON, b. July 13, 1803; untraced.

WILLIAM STRONG, b. Feb. 10, 1806; d. Nov. 17, 1814.

The mr. d. Oct. 13, 1808. The fr. m., 2d, *Susanna Brooks* of Upton, May, 1809; cer. by Rev. Benjamin Wood. No chn. by this mge. on record.

The homestead of Marvel Chapin, certainly the principal one on which his family dwelt, is now owned by Joseph L. Clark, farmer, Purchase St. Nothing definite comes down to me respecting his social, civil, and religious standing. I shall take for granted that it was respectable. It seems that after his second marriage there was some unpleasantness in the relations of himself and wf. with the ch. here; which, according to the records, was ultimately brought to a satisfactory termination; and both were recommended for admission into Dr. Sabine's ch., Boston, whither they had removed between 1820 and 1823. How long they res. in Boston, I am not informed, nor when or where the 2d wf. d. But our town record shows Mr. Chapin to have d. (and prob. here) Sept. 3, 1838.

CHAPIN, DAVID[6] (Moses,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1757; and m., 1st, *Judith Thayer*, dr. of Seth and Judith (Thayer) Thayer, b. in our Precinct, July 4, 1756; cer. 1777. Their chn. were, —

ELISHA, b. April 10, 1778; m. Sarah Wood of Upton, July 8, 1802.*

HENRY, b. May 17, 1781; d. July 26, 1781.

The mr., Judith, d. April 29, 1783. The fr. m., 2d, *Martha Bates*, Feb. 12, 1784; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Joseph and Martha (Chilson) Bates, b. Mendon, Dec. 20, 1764. Their chn. were, —

JUDITH, b. Mil., 1785.

SARAH, b. Mil., 1789.

LYDIA, b. Mil., 1791.

* Elisha and Sarah (Wood) Chapin were the parents of the late Hon. HENRY CHAPIN of Worcester, long Judge of Probate in our Co. He was b. in Upton, May 13, 1811; m. successively 2 drs. of Joseph Thayer, Esq., Uxbridge.

Joseph Bates, b. Mil. or Up., 1793; m. Priscilla Sadler, and res. mainly, if not wholly, in Up.

David, b. Up., July 2, 1795. I know nothing of him but what is told in the following sketch given in "The Boston Herald" of March 1, 1880, and copied into our "Milford Journal" with subsequent corrections: —

"Obituary. — David Chapin, whose death occurred Sunday, was one of the pioneers in the wood and coal business of this city. He was born at Upton, Mass., July 3, 1795, and came to Boston in 1820. He shortly thereafter engaged in the wood business, conducting it in the most primitive manner, a hand-cart serving as the medium of conveying supplies to his customers. He formed the firm of Prescott & Chapin in 1822, and, adding coal to their stock in trade, the firm became very successful, remaining together some fifty years, Mr. Chapin retiring from active business Jan. 1, 1872. Mr. Chapin was for 40 years a director in the Boston and Hingham Steamship Company, serving for 30 years as treasurer and agent of the company. He was a member of the common council in 1850–51–52, and built one of the first houses which was erected in Chester Square."

Mr. David seems to be credited with no wf. or chn., and I have not been informed that he had any. If he had any, it is a pity that the reporter could not have said so, or the contrary if he were a celibate. David Chapin, the fr., and his wf. were disd. from Mil. Cong. Ch. to that of Upton in 1796. They d. in Upton; but I have not their death-dates at my command.

CHAPIN, Joseph Bates[7] (David,[6] Moses,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. in Mil., 1793; mr.'s maiden name, Martha Bates; moved, with his parents, in infancy, to near the 5 Corners in the edge of Up.; m. *Priscilla Sadler* of Up.; pedigree, birth-date, mge. particulars, etc., not given. Issue: —

Harry Wood, b. Up., Aug. 23, 1817; m. successively 4 wives. See his record further on.

David Gilbert, b. Up., June 17, 1819; m. Harriet E. Lackey, Jan. 13, 1842; 2 drs.

Joseph J., b. Up., June 7, 1823; m. Alice Kenyan, July 8, 1860; 2 chn.

Elmira A., b. Up., Sept. 7, 1825; m. Horace Walker, Sept. 7, 1842; 1 son, James E.

Elisha, b. Up., Aug. 20, 1827; m., 1st, Miranda Walker, Dec. 31, 1857; 2d, Sarah C. Frets, Aug. 28, 1866.

John S., b. Up., April 25, 1830; m. Mary M. Walker, Oct. 22, 1851. No chn.

Sarah P., b. Up., April 10, 1832; d. May 11 ensuing.

Charles, b. Up., Nov. 5, 1835; d. Aug. 26, 1858.

I understand that Joseph Bates Chapin and wf. res. in Up., and d. there; but I have not their death-dates. Several of their chn. have made their homes in our town. Harry W., David G., and John S. are well known among us. David G. and wf. have had b. to them 2 drs.; viz., Ellen M., b. Sept. 12, 1850; m. Emery D. Lothrop, Oct. 13, 1869, who have a son Frank C., b. Oct. 26, 1873; and Alice J., b. Nov. 5, 1854; m. S. A. Eastman, April 5, 1876, who have a son Gilbert C., b. Dec. 5, 1880. Joseph J. Chapin d. April 4, 1869, leaving Mrs. Alice, his wid., and 2 chn.; viz., Sarah P., b. July 16, 1862; and Charles J., b. Oct. 11, 1865. John S. and wf. have no chn. Elisha, by 2d wf., has Joseph B., b. Feb. 4, 1869; and Sarah M., b. March 7, 1876.

CHAPIN, Dea. Nathan[6] (Moses,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1765; and m. *Lucretia Parkhurst*, Mil., Jan. 1, 1793; cer. by Amariah

Frost, Esq. She was a dr. of Ebenezer and Mercy (Hill) Parkhurst, and b. Feb. 3, 1775. Their chn. were, —

Ebenezer Parkhurst, b. Dec. 2, 1795; m. Emeline Hayward, Feb. 24, 1828.

Samuel Jones, b. Dec. 15, 1798; m. Mary Worth, Feb. 14, 1832, went South, had chn., and d. May 13, 1841.

Mercy Jones, b. Jan. 17, 1801; m. Sumner Pond, Jan. 27, 1825.

Louisa, b. Jan. 16, 1805; m. Charles Sawtelle, July 15, 1857; she d. 1869.

Amanda Maria, b. July 31, 1807; m. Capt. Albert Newhall, Sept. 18, 1827.

Moses Sanford, b. July 31, 1810; m. Martha W. Comstock, Nov. 18, 1833.

Nathan Tyler, b. Oct. 23, 1813; m., 1st, Sarah M. Comstock; 2d, Sarah F. Godfrey; 3d, Julia M. Leach.

Dea. Nathan inherited his fr.'s homestead next north of the present Town Asylum. He and his family were held in high estimation. He was chosen dea. of the ch. in 1802, and served faithfully in that office down to old age. As a citizen and neighbor, he enjoyed corresponding respect. Mrs. Lucretia d. April 18, 1847. He himself d. May 19, 1851. A small monument in Vernon-grove Cemetery indicates the present resting-place of their remains. Also of his son Nathan's 2d wf., Sarah F. (Godfrey), and Milton, her son.

CHAPIN, Oliver[6] (Daniel,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1759; and m. *Mary Jones*, April 29, 1784; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Jona. and Mary Jones, and b. Oct. 2, 1765. Their chn. here were, —

Cyrus, b. June 10, 1785.

Jonathan, b. May 5, 1787.

I am obliged to forego tracing this family further.

CHAPIN, Major Levi[6] (Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Dec. 22, 1768; m. *Olive Thayer*, Nov. 26, 1789; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Elijah and Sarah (Robinson) Thayer, and b. Oct. 14, 1771. Their chn. were, —

Elias, b. March 19, 1790; m. Rhoda Darling of Bell, perhaps 1815; he d. April 8, 1826.

Ede, b. March 18, 1792; d. in advanced maidenhood, 10 or 12 yrs. ago.

Leonard, b. Jan. 27, 1794; m. Semira Howard, Dec. 6, 1821.

Cyrus, b. ——; d. Sept. 21, 1797.

Ruby, b. July 29, 1798; m. Dexter Walker, Dec. 23, 1821. See Walker.

The family homestead was the same afterwards owned by his son Leonard, and once occupied by Josiah Nelson as a tavern-stand. He was by trade a blacksmith, a man of active business enterprise, a respectable citizen, and by military promotion an artillery major. He d. May 18, 1830, at the age of 62 yrs. His wf. Olive d. Aug. 29, 1835, at the age of 64 yrs.

CHAPIN, Joel[6] (Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 4, 1777; m. *Rosanna Fairbanks;* pedigree, birth-date, and particulars of ceremony not ascertained. They had one child, posthumous, —

Joel, recorded as bap. July 28, 1805, by Rev. D. Long, 6 mos. after his fr.'s death. He d. in 1804. Joel b. (as since found) June 5, 1805. No further traced.

CHAPIN, Eli[6] (Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. May 1, 1780; m., 1st, *Libby Thayer*, Mil., April 4, 1803; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Elijah and Sarah (Robinson) Thayer, and b. Sept. 17, 1783. Their chn. were, —

Nancy, b. Dec. 1, 1803; m. Silas Moore, April 2, 1829.

George, b. Jan. 14, 1806; m., 1st, Mary A. Howard, April 30, 1829; 2d, Maryline Warren.

Hannah T., b. March 28, 1808; m. Joseph Walker, Hop., April 16, 1828. See Walker.

Jane L., b. Jan. 30, 1811; m. Erastus Spear, April 7, 1835; no further traced.

James Robinson, b. July 28, 1813; d. Nov. 13, 1814.

Hollis, b. Nov. 10, 1815; m. Sarah Dickinson; he d. Hartford, Ct., July 23, 1873; wid. and dr. survive.

William Augustus, b. Oct. 15, 1818; m. Caroline Rand, who d. Worcester, Dec., 1874; he is now in Kansas.

Sarah, b. April 29, 1821; m. Asa H. Moore, Worcester, May 21, 1840.

James Robinson, b. Dec. 14, 1823; d. unm., Feb. 21, 1879.

Francis, b. Aug. 12, 1828; d. unm., Aug. 23, 1850.

The family homestead was for many yrs. the one now occupied by Fenner M. Inman on the Upton road. Afterwards, in declining yrs., the fr. purchased or built a cottage on West St. The mr. became a member of the Cong. ch. in 1832, and the fr. in 1834. Mrs. Libby d. Sept. 4, 1850. The hus. m. a 2d wf. some 2 yrs. later; no particulars of pedigree, cer., etc., given. He d. March 31, 1869.

CHAPIN, Dea. Amos[6] (Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. July 5, 1782; m. *Harriet Stowell*, pedigree untraced; cer. prob. in Shrewsbury early in 1807; particulars not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

Mary Chamberlain, b. Nov. 14, 1808; d. July 31, 1825, a. 16 yrs.

Harriet Elizabeth, b. March 31, 1810; m. Obed Daniels, Dec. 6, 1832.

Laura Maria, b. Nov. 27, 1812; m. Otis Torrey Nelson, May 3, 1838; d. Aug. 23, 1844.

Charles Frederic, b. Aug. 25, 1815; our well-known and esteemed fellow-citizen.

James Edwin, b. April 1, 1820; d. Feb. 16, 1837.

Dea. Amos and family dwelt on the homestead, Elm St., now occupied by his son-in-law, Obed Daniels, and wf. They enjoyed much respect and confidence in the ch. as well as general society. The fr. and mr. joined the ch. in 1811, and he was chosen deacon in 1815. He d. Dec. 25, 1830; his wid. d. Sept. 19, 1878.

CHAPIN, Luther[7] (Stephen,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 22, 1777; m. *Polly Wedge*, Mil., March 5, 1796; cer. by Amariah Frost, Esq. She was a dr. of perhaps Daniel and Hannah Wiswall; b., date not found. Their chn. recorded here were, —

Marinda, b. April 26, 1796; d. Dec. 6, 1798.

Alanson, b. Oct. 28, 1798.

Betsey, b. ——; d. March 25, 1802.

Luther Chapin removed with his family to Pelham, date not ascertained. No further traced.

CHAPIN, Otis[7] (Stephen,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 30, 1785; m. *Abigail Hayward*, Jan. 2, 1805; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Jacob and Elizabeth (Thayer Heath) Hayward, birth-date not found. Their chn. recorded here were, —

Warren, b. March 26, 1805; set. in Monson, where his descendants are.

Infant, b. Sept. 1806; d. Oct. 8 ensuing, a. 4 wks.

The fr. and family removed to Monson, perhaps 1806 or 1807, where he was a manufacturer of woollen goods. No further traced.

CHAPIN, JOHN, jun.[6] (Elder John,[5] John,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1768; m. *Lydia Wedge*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah (Wiswall) Wedge, b. Nov., 1769; particulars of cer. not found. Their chn. recorded here were, —

PHEBE, b. Feb. 21, 1793.

CANDACE, b. Oct. 26, 1794; d. Jan. 12, 1797.

SALLY, b. Feb. 26, 1796.

I am baffled in my attempt to trace this family. Perhaps they emigrated from this general neighborhood.

CHAPIN, SIMEON[7] (Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 11, 1787; m. *Ann Tidd*, Sept. 22, 1814; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Daniel and Ann Tidd, probably b. in Holl. Their chn. were, —

AMANDA A. E., b. Sept. 22, 1814; d. Sept. 25, 1834.

ALONZO S., b. March 31, 1817; m. Aurilla P. Howe, Nov. 26, 1840.

DANIEL SIMEON, b. Oct. 27, 1818; m. Angeline P. Nelson, April 30, 1842. See his record.

LEMUEL PARKHURST, b. May 11, 1820; d. Sept. 11, 1843.

SUMNER, b. June 16, 1822; m. Mary C. Baker, Orrington, Me., and res. there.

Alonzo S. enlisted 1862, went South into the civil war, and is supposed to have perished therein, as he has never been heard from since. The hus. and fr. d. in 1828. Mrs. Ann subsequently m. Benjamin Drake, who d. in Orrington, Me., and left her again a wid. She d. there in 1876. As above indicated, the youngest son, Sumner Chapin, m., set., and still res., in said Orrington.

CHAPIN, Capt. RUFUS[7] (Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. May 15, 1789; m. *Lydia Tufts*, dr. of Ebenezer and Hannah (Livingston) Tufts, b. Marlboro', N.H., Aug. 18, 1796; cer. in Wrentham, Dec., 1814, by Rev. Mr. Fisk. Their chn.: —

ANGENETTE, b. March 10, 1816; m. Ziba Thayer, March 22, 1838.

ADAMS, b. March 8, 1818; m. Polly R. Stone, Hop., April 25, 1842; he d. West.

LORENZO, b. June 22, 1819; m. Mary Anna Cheney, Mil., March 18, 1841.

AMASA, b. May 28, 1821; m. Almira E. Bowker, Hop., Aug. 30, 1845; res. Chicago.

LYDIA TUFTS, b. June 17, 1823; m. Benjamin Kimball; res. Chicago.

OLIVE SUMNER, b Sept. 17, 1825; m. John N. Cummings; d. 25 yrs. ago.

RUFUS, jun., b. Dec. 4, 1827; m. Julia Fisher, Franklin; res. Chicago.

LIVINGSTON H., b. July 17, 1835; unm.; res. Chicago.

Capt. Rufus had his domicile, most of his business life, on or near the site of the place next west of the Hop. R.R., on Main St. He was one of the pioneer boot-manufacturers of this town, and as such deserves honorable commemoration by those who have entered into the fruition of his labors. He d. Oct. 29, 1840, a. about 52 yrs. His wid. survived him many yrs., and d. in Chicago, 1879.

CHAPIN, AMASA[7] (Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 30, 1791; was a farmer, and dealt largely in cattle; never m. He d. on one of his farms in Hop., July 11, 1854. His remains rest in Vernongrove Cemetery.

CHAPIN, HENRY[7] (Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 5, 1801; m. *Jerusha Miller* of Hol., June 4, 1832; cer. by Rev. D. Long. I have not at ready command her pedigree and birth-date.

Mr. Chapin, as the son of his father's old age, remained with him on the paternal homestead, dutifully managing the same, and ministering to the old gentleman's comfort during the troubles of his declining yrs. till death. Later

in life he settled in Mil. Centre, on the ancient Jonas Parkhurst place, now 65 Purchase St. As a teacher of common schools during the earlier part of active manhood, an economical farmer, a trusted official citizen, and a member of the Cong. ch., as well as in his domestic and social relations, he left a good record and an honored memory. He d. quite suddenly, of something like sunstroke, on Sunday, July 2, 1876, at the ripe age of over 75 yrs. It was a great surprise to me; as I had recently seen him in health, and received from him much valuable information for the enrichment of this volume. His worthy wid. survives at the present writing, but does not res. in town.

CHAPIN, ELIAS[7] (Levi,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 19, 1790; m. *Rhoda Darling* of Bell.; cer. in Bell., perhaps 1815, exact date not found. She was a dr. of Samuel and Sarah (Burr) Darling, birth-date not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

CHARLES, b. March 6, 1816; m., 1st, Pedee Albee, July, 1839; 2d, Adaline Albee, May 25, 1872.

MARIA, b. some time in 1818; m. Enoch P. Hastings, 1839; res. now in Spencer.

HOLLIS, b. some time in 1820; d. unm.; dropped instantly d. several yrs. ago.

CYRUS, b. some time in 1822; m. Aurelia J. Perry, May 25, 1843; she d. Feb. 12, 1854.

Besides others older, an infant dr. named ADDIE AMELIA. She was adopted by her uncle Charles, grew up in his family, and became the wf. of Joseph Yeager, who have 1 son.

Cyrus Chapin has survived some cloudy experiences in life, and is an enterprising business man now res. in Spencer. Since the death of Mrs. Aurelia he has remained unm. He and his descendants are the only representatives of Elias Chapin and Rhoda (Darling) Chapin, unless Enoch P. Hastings and wf. Maria have offspring. Charles and Hollis left no issue. See Cyrus Chapin's chn., mentioned in connection with Capt. Waldo Perry's family record. Elias Chapin d., I think, in Bell., April 8, 1826. His wid., a woman of many sorrows, survived him several yrs., but at last, under the pressure of her tribulations, put an end to her days by strangulation, March, 1854.

CHAPIN, LEONARD[7] (Levi,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 27, 1794; m. *Semira Howard*, Mil., Dec. 6, 1821; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Zuriel and Olive (Twitchell) Howard, and b. March 4, 1802. Their chn. were, —

JOEL, b. Oct. 26, 1822; m. Izanna C. Hero, July 13, 1843; he d. July 24, 1864.

WILLARD, b. Dec. 11, 1825; m. Lydia Wait Perry, Aug. 28, 1851.

WARREN, b. Dec. 9, 1827; m., 1st, Eliza M. Bowker, Hop., Nov. 4, 1850; 2d, Augusta Bridges, 1862.

LOVETT, b. Jan. 21, 1830; m. Sarah W. Howard, June 8, 1854; res. Sing Sing, N.Y.

PHEBE ANN, b. March 4, 1832; m. Samuel Scammell, Mil., March 4, 1852.

NATHAN THAYER, b. Nov. 4, 1834; m. Anna W. Berry, Aug. 25, 1855; he d. Aug. 30, 1858.

SARAH OLIVIA, b. Aug. 8, 1838; m. Frank Cummings, Hardwick, Aug. 21, 1855.

ANN MARIA, b. April 14, 1843; d. Aug. 30, 1844.

The homestead of these parents was inherited from Major Levi Chapin, — the old tavern-stand of Josiah Nelson, jun., now owned by Capt. Elbridge Mann.

They held a respectable position in society, and the fr. shared well the confidence of his fellow citizens in town affairs. He d. Jan. 15, 1862, in his 68th yr. His wid., Mrs. Semira, d. June 18, 1874, a. 72 yrs. 3 mos. and 14 ds.

CHAPIN, GEORGE[7] (Eli,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 14, 1806; m. *Mary Ann Howard*, Mil., April 30, 1829; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Zuriel and Olive (Twitchell) Howard, and b. Dec. 8, 1806. Their chn. were, —

MARIA ANTOINETTE, b. March 8, 1830; m. Albert C. Withington, Nov. 7, 1850.

EMMONS EVERETT, b. Jan. 4, 1834; m. Lucia Crosby of Brookfield. They res. there; 1 son.

GEORGE HENRY, b. June 3, 1840; d. July 8, 1842.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 20, 1842; m. J. Bassett, Boston; res. London, Eng.; 1 son.

Mrs. Mary Ann d. June 16, 1844. The hus. m., 2d, *Maryline Warren* of Upton, wid. of Reuben Warren. Her maiden name was Alexander. Cer. Nov., 1846. No other particulars ascertained. No chn. They res. in town, pursuing the honest industry of their opportunities in life, and partaking more or less of its adversities in the decline of age.

CHAPIN, CHARLES FREDERIC[7] (Amos,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 25, 1815; m. *Sarah Taft Spring*, Uxbridge, Jan. 6, 1842; cer. by Rev. Samuel Clarke. She was a dr. of Calvin and Hannah (Carpenter) Spring, and b. Nov. 14, 1822. Their chn. were, —

EDWIN FRANCIS, b. Nov. 25, 1843; m. Asenath Everett Cordwell, Nov. 12, 1873.

ADLA MARIA, b. Dec. 16, 1847; m. Henry Augustus Claflin, Jan. 31, 1867; res. Brooklyn, N.Y.

CHARLES FRED, b. July 2, 1856; d. Sept. 2, 1869.

C. F. Chapin, Esq., and family, inherit and illustrate an eminent social standing in our community. He is a man of affairs, and has been honored with the most responsible town offices.

Grandchn. — They have 3 by their dr., Mrs. Adla Maria Claflin. See Henry Augustus Claflin's record.

CHAPIN, EDWIN FRANCIS[8] (Charles F.,[7] Amos,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil., Nov. 25, 1843; m. *Asenath Everett Cordwell*, dr. of William R. and Asenath E. Cordwell, b. Upton, 1854; cer. Hopedale, Nov. 12, 1873, by the writer. Social standing good. Mr. C. is an enterprising assistant grocer in the employment of his fr.

CHAPIN, ADAMS,[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil., March 8, 1818; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Tufts; m. *Polly R. Stone;* her pedigree, birth-date, etc., not at my command; cer. in Hop., April 25, 1842, by the writer. Issue:—

ELSIE, OSCAR, EDGAR, and RUFUS.

Oscar d. young. The others m., and have children in the far West. The hus. and fr. d. suddenly of cholera in Chicago, Ill., about the yr. 1866. His wid. survives, and with one or more of her chn. res. in Colorado.

CHAPIN, LORENZO[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil., June 22, 1819; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Tufts; m. *Mary Anna Cheney*, dr. of Ira and Julia Ann (Nelson) Cheney, b. in Mil., Jan. 30, 1821; cer. March 18, 1841, by the writer. Issue:—

EUGENE, ADA, ARMENIA, MARY ANNA, and MARION.

Mrs. Mary Anna d. at the West, in 1851, leaving Marion a babe. She was adopted and brought up by her aunt, Mrs. Angenette (Chapin) Thayer of this town. She is m., res. in Boston, and has 1 child. Armenia d. at the West. The others are m., and have chn., I think, in Chicago. There the fr. m. again, res., and has by his 2d wf. 1 child. No further particulars in these cases have been reported to me.

CHAPIN, AMASA[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil., May 28, 1821; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Tufts; m., 1st, *Almira E. Bowker*, dr. of Uriah and Lois (Eames) Bowker, b. Hop., Dec. 19, 1822; cer. Hop., Aug. 30, 1845, by whom not reported to me. Issue:—

EDGAR H., b. Hop., Oct. 11, 1847; res. Chicago., Ill.

ANNIE E., b. Cincinnati, O., Oct. 6, 1849; d. Nov. 10, 1866, Chicago, Ill.

MARY C., b. Hop., March 31, 1854; m. Nelson L. Litten, Chicago, Ill. Their chn. are *Annie E.*, *Mira L.*, and *Gertrude*.

Mrs. Almira E. (Bowker) Chapin d. in Cincinnati, O., April 23, 1859; and her remains were brought to her parental home in Hop. for burial immediately thereafter. The hus. m., 2d, *Eliza C. Maybry*, dr. of Samuel D. and Nancie M. (Miller) Maybry, b. Sept. 8, 1833; cer. Nov. 29, 1860. Issue:—

WINIFRED E., b. Chicago, Ill., May 3,1863; d. May 24, 1863.

Mrs. Eliza C. (Maybry) Chapin d. May 16, 1863.

CHAPIN, RUFUS, jun., the next younger bro., wf. *Julia* (*Fisher*), res. in Chicago, Ill. They have 3 chn:—

CARRIE, no birth-date given; m. and res. in Chicago.

VIRGINIA, no birth-date given; m. recently, and res. in Brooklyn, N.Y.

RUFUS, no birth-date given; a lad of 12 yrs.; res. with his parents.

CHAPIN, LIVINGSTON H., youngest child of Capt. Rufus and Lydia (Tufts) Chapin, has never been m. He res. in Chicago, Ill.

CHAPIN, HARRY WOOD[8] (Joseph B.,[7] David,[6] Moses,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Upton, Aug. 23, 1817; mr.'s maiden name Priscilla Sadler; m., 1st, *Princis Ann Lackey*, dr. of Nathaniel and Lovina (Hayward) Lackey, birth-date not given; cer. Up., Aug. 13, 1837, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Issue:—

SARAH PRISCILLA, b. Jan. 1, 1840; m. William H. Scammell, June 9, 1861; she d. Jan. 8, 1862.

JAMES EUGENE, b. Sept. 15, 1842; d. April 24, 1844.

ELLEN MARIA, b. Dec. 1, 1844; d. Aug. 26, 1843.

Mrs. Princis Ann d. Dec. 15, 1846. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Thayer Legg*, dr. of Elijah and Rachel (Cleveland) Legg, birth-date not given; cer. Mil., July 2, 1849, by Rev. David Long. Issue:—

WILLIAM HENRY, b. June 1, 1850; d. Aug. 19, 1852.

Mrs. Mary Thayer Chapin d. June 5, 1851. The hus. m., 3d, *Charlotte Miers Lowe*, dr. of John V. and Mary (Miers) Lowe; cer. Winchester, Sept. 30, 1852, by Rev. Mr. Steele. Issue:—

ELISHA, b. Aug. 27, 1855; m. Lottie A. Gormley, Oct. 10, 1875.

Mrs. Charlotte d. Jan. 27, 1878. The hus. m., 4th, *Elizabeth* (*Thurber*) *Nichols*, wid. of John T. Nichols, and dr. of William W. Thurber and Pamelia A. (Wheeler) Thurber; cer. in Pelham, Sept. 24, 1878, by George Chapman. No chn.

Mr. C. has res. in Mil. over a quarter of a century, successfully engaged in the boot-manufacture, and is a substantial citizen, in good social standing, with his family.

CHAPIN, ELISHA,[9] son of Harry W. and Charlotte (Lowe) Chapin; b. Aug. 27, 1855; m. *Lottie Abigail Gormley*, dr. of Edward A. and Nancy L. (Fisher) Gormley, b. in New Bedford, 1858; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 10, 1875, by the writer. Issue:—

HARRY W., b. Mil., May 6, 1877, and ELLEN M., b. Nov. 29, 1878.

An enterprising, promising young family.

CHAPIN, JOEL[8] (Leonard,[7] Levi,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil. Oct. 26, 1822; mr.'s maiden name Semira Howard; m. *Izanna C. Hero*, dr. of John and Polly (Claflin) Hero, b. Oct. 19, 1822; cer. July 13, 1843, by the writer. Issue:—

WILLARD HENRY, b. Mil., March 25, 1846; unm.; engaged in boot-making.

FREDERICK MELLEN, b. Mil., Nov. 22, 1847; d. June 29, 1853.

CALLIE AUGUSTA, b. Mil. Oct. 7, 1854; m. John L. Mead, March 15, 1877.

Mr. C. was an enterprising butcher and meat-dealer for several yrs. before death. He was a good citizen and worthy man, but lived scarcely to ripe middle age. He d. July 24, 1864, in his 42d yr. His worthy wid., son, and dr., above named, still survive him.

The other sons of Leonard and Semira (Howard) Chapin, younger bros. of Joel (generation [8]), have been unprolific in offspring.

CHAPIN, WILLARD,[8] and wf., I believe, have none.

CHAPIN, WARREN,[8] lost his 1st wf., *Eliza*, March 19, 1862, and m. his 2d, *Augusta Bridges*, of Hop., July 19, 1862. He is an enterprising provision dealer, 87 Main St.

CHAPIN, LOVETT,[8] and wf., had 1 child that d.; none living. They res. at Sing Sing, N.Y. He has some responsible business under his charge in connection with the State Prison there.

CHAPIN, NATHAN, who m. *Anna W. Berry*, d. about 3 yrs. after mge., Aug. 30, 1858; and I do not recollect that he left any issue.

The daughters of Leonard and Semira (Howard) Chapin that lived to be m. have, as I recollect, only 1 or 2 chn. each. See Scammell and Cummings families.

CHAPIN, DANIEL SIMEON[8] (Simeon,[7] Adams,[6] Josiah,[5] Seth, jun.,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 27, 1818; mr.'s maiden name, Ann Tidd; m. *Angeline Parkhurst Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Henry and Catherine (Parkhurst) Nelson, b. in Mil., Dec. 4, 1821; cer. in Mil., April 13, 1842, by the writer. Issue:—

LEANDER, b. Jan. 15, 1844; young man of great promise; d. 1st yr. H. U., Aug. 16, 1865; deeply lamented.

CORA ANNA, b. Dec. 11, 1845; m. Charles B. Godfrey, June 25, 1868; 2 chn.

AMANDA HELEN, b. Aug. 3, 1847; m. Russell Gates of N.Y., Nov. 23, 1871; 2 drs. She d. Colorado, Dec. 18, 1875.

HENRY NELSON, b. March 21, 1852; d. July ensuing.

ANNIE WARREN, b. June 7, 1857.

A very intelligent and worthy family. They have drunk deep from the cup of affliction and adversity. Mr. C. was a large lumber merchant in town for many yrs., and an influential as well as useful citizen. Like many other no less worthy business men, he experienced serious pecuniary reverses, and is now operating as an agent or manager for an establishment in Boston. But the family have still their res. in town, and deservedly enjoy the respectful sympathy of numerous friends.

CHAPIN, CHARLES[8] (Elias,[7] Levi,[6] Ephraim,[5] Joseph,[4] Capt. Seth,[3] Josiah,[2]

Samuel[1]), b. March 6, 1816; mr.'s maiden name, Rhoda Darling of Bell.; m., 1st, *Pedee Albee*, dr. of Abel and Abigail (Partridge) Albee, b. April 5, 1825; cer. July, 1839, by Rev. Dr. Ide. No chn. but the one mentioned in the family record of Elias, his fr. Mrs. Pedee having d., he m., 2d, *Adeline M. Albee*, sister of his 1st wf., b. Feb. 11, 1821; cer. in Baldwinville, May 25, 1872, by Rev. H. V. Dexter. No issue. Mr. C. was not among the favorites of fortune, and suffered several yrs. of painful invalidism. He d. April 3, 1879. His sympathetic wf., who devoted herself assiduously to his care, survives him in tolerable comfort.

CHAPMAN, DUDLEY BAILEY, son of Charles Chapman, b. in New London, Ct., April 23, 1825; m., 1st, *Hannah Whipple*, dr. of Jabez and Sarah (Watrous) Whipple, b. in Ledyard, Ct., Dec. 28, 1829; date and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Their chn.:—

HANNAH AMELIA, b. Ledyard, Ct., Feb. 6, 1847; d. Hopedale, Nov. 14, 1867.

ALICE BURTON, b. Hopedale, May 19, 1850; m. Asa Fenner Inman, Nov. 29, 1871.

EVA LOUISA, b. Hopedale, April 10, 1852; m. Erastus Watrous, Ledyard, Ct.

Mrs. Hannah d. at Hopedale, Dec. 19, 1865. The hus. subsequently m., 2d, *Harriet Huntley* of New London, Ct. No particulars as to pedigree, dates, etc., at my command. Mr. C. came to Hopedale, with his wf. Hannah and eldest child, in Nov., 1849. The parents became members of the Hopedale Community, and remained such in good standing for several yrs. She remained such until her death. He resigned his membership Oct. 2, 1859. He is a man of bright intellectual abilities, and, in some directions, a genius, especially in the chemistry of soap ingredients, of which he has been a practical manufacturer for many yrs. He now res. in New London, Ct., his native place.

CHAPMAN, NATHAN[3] (Samuel,[2] Comfort[1]), ancestry no further traced; b. in Groton, Ct., March 27, 1807. His gd. mr.'s maiden name was Eunice Whipple, a native of Preston, Ct. His mr.'s maiden name was Abiah Watrous, a native of Groton, Ct. His parents had, besides himself, —

SAMUEL, b. Jan. 30, 1806.

ABIAH, b. Oct., 1808.

TIMOTHY, b. March, 1810; and ORI, b. Sept. 18, 1813.

Nathan m., 1st, *Mary Watrous*, dr. of Rev. Zephaniah and Sarah (Rogers) Watrous, b. in Groton, Ct., June 17, 1811; cer. under the bride's parental roof, March 1, 1829, by Rev. Z. Watrous. Issue:—

They had 10 chn. b. to them, all of whom d. in infancy, except 1. As they were all b. in Groton, Ct., and that general vicinity, and were so short lived, I omit the names, birth-dates, and death-dates of the decd. The survivor proves to be a most excellent woman in all the relations of life; viz., —

MARY, b. Ledyard, Ct., March 3, 1841. She m. Stearns Godfrey Davenport, a native of Mendon, son of Joseph G. and Mary H. (Daniels) Davenport; cer. in Hopedale, Sept. 11, 1865, by Rev. William S. Heywood. They now res. in So. Framingham, and have 2 chn. surviving.

Mrs. Mary (Watrous) Chapman d. date not given; and the hus. m., 2d, *Hepsie Whipple*, dr. of Noah and Content (Crouch) Whipple, b. in Groton, Ct. (the part since set off as Ledyard), Dec. 16, 1824; cer. by Rev. Zephaniah Watrous; date not given. Issue:—

NATHAN EVERETT, b. in Mystic, Ct., Aug. 6, 1847; m. Hattie E. Caldicott, May 16, 1875.

NETTIE WHIPPLE, b. in Mystic, Ct., Feb. 2, 1852; m. Richard E. Congdon, Jan. 10, 1872.

ADA WHIPPLE (adopted), b. in Mystic, Ct., Oct. 14, 1853; m. Augustus S. Trowbridge, Sept. 18, 1873.

MATTIE DUNNING, b. in Mystic, Ct., May 12, 1858; m. Charles F. Ivers, April 30, 1879.

ANNIE, b. Hopedale, April 24, 1867.

BERTHA, b. Hopedale, Oct. 14, 1868.

Grandchn. : —

FREDERICK DAVENPORT, b. Sept. 8, 1871; d. Feb. 10, 1872.

WALTER EDWARD DAVENPORT, b. Nov. 30, 1872.

SUMNER GODFREY DAVENPORT, b. Nov. 6, 1877.

CHARLES EVERETT CONGDON, b. Sept. 27, 1872.

FRANK EDWIN CONGDON, b. Sept. 1, 1875.

ABBIE REYNOLDS CONGDON, b. Jan. 27, 1879.

NETTIE TROWBRIDGE, b. Aug. 17, 1874.

AGNES TROWBRIDGE, b. March, 1879.

ARTHUR S. TROWBRIDGE, b. Dec. 6, 1880.

For the rest, see Nathan E. Chapman's record below.

Nathan Chapman is naturally an intelligent, strong-minded, self-taught man, — shrewd in the management of affairs, with an inventive mechanical genius, and marked characteristics throughout. He has passed through many vicissitudes of domestic bereavement and pecuniary fortune. He formerly dealt largely in cotton-machinery down South, and, when the war of the Rebellion broke out, had many thousands of dollars due him by Southerners. Nearly all these debts were so confiscated and nullified by the Confederate authorities, that he was reduced, by his various losses, from comparative affluence to a moderate competence. He came to Hopedale in 1859. He provided himself and family, out of his savings and inventions, a respectable homestead, which, however, as to title, was vested in his large-hearted wf. Latterly, the premises were exchanged for the Capt. Ezra Nelson place, so called, on West St. There, for a time, they managed their valuable farm chiefly for the production of milk. They subsequently sold it to Mr. Herbert Moseley, and res. again in Hopedale. Still later they have provided themselves a new home in Nantucket, where they now res.

CHAPMAN, NATHAN EVERETT[4] (Nathan,[3] Samuel,[2] Comfort[1]), b. in Mystic, Ct., Aug. 6, 1847; well educated at the Hopedale Home School; m. *Hattie Edith Caldicott*, dr. of George and Margaret (Laing) Caldicott, b. in Boston, March 20, 1858; cer. in Hopedale, May 16, 1875, by the writer. Their chn. : —

LOUIS NATHAN, b. Hopedale, Nov. 6, 1876.

EDITH, b. Hopedale, Sept. 9, 1878.

ADA, b. Mil., Oct. 6, 1879; d. Hopedale, Aug. 15, 1880.

Mr. Chapman commenced his studies in the Home School under Rev. William S. and Mrs. Abbie B. Heywood in 1856, and continued them 4 yrs., the last of which boarding in his fr.'s family, they having removed from Mystic, Ct., to Hopedale in 1859. Since mge., Nathan E. has been pursuing various kinds of business, but is now employed as a machinist in Providence, R.I., whither he has recently removed his family.

"CHAPMAN, ALBERT H., machinist at straw-shop; house Upton."

" CHAPMAN, LORING B., carpenter, house 11 Grove St."

These two Chapmans appear in our Directory for 1880, but they have not informed me of their family records. Albert H., having his family res. in

Upton, could not have been expected to do so. Doubtless a few others of this name may have dwelt transiently in town.

CHASE has been an infrequent name on our records. The first was —

CHASE, PHILIP,[3] some time an innholder in Mendon, and who afterwards set. in Sutton. The history of Sutton, which gives the genealogy of numerous Chases in that town, makes him the son of John,[2] and gd. son of Aquila,[1] the immigrant ancestor of all, or certainly *most*, of our New-Eng. Chases. Philip was b. Sept. 23, 1688; m. *Mary Follansbee*, April 17, 1712, and became the fr. of 8 chn., — 6 drs. and 2 sons. He d. July 11, 1764. He appears to have been a very enterprising man, and a large land-holder in various localities, continually buying and selling tracts here and there as opportunity offered. Between 1730 and 1736 he had several parcels laid out to him in the No. Purchase, but I get no evidence that he ever dwelt there. Prob. not.

CHASE, DUDLEY,[5] of Sutton, a descendant of Aquila[1] (through Samuel,[4] Daniel,[3] Moses[2]), b. Aug. 29, 1730; m. *Alice Corbett*, dr. of our Eld. Daniel Corbett and Sarah (Jones) his wf., b. Feb. 23, 1733; cer. Aug. 23, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. They had 14 chn., and several of their descendants rose to high national dignity. If I mistake not, the late chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, Salmon P. Chase, was a gd. son of Dudley and Alice. I do not know that any of their offspring ever lived within our limits; though I presume Alice or her chn. shared in the large landed estate of her father. Passing over the few of this name who may have been transient residents here, I come to

CHASE, JOHN SMITH, foreman of the Hopedale Foundery. He is a son of Enoch Chase, b. in Edgecomb, Me., 1781, and his wf., Mary (Smith) Chase, b. in Wiscasset, Me., 1784, having been himself b. in Whitefield, Lincoln Co., Me., April 23, 1827. He m. *Mary Elizabeth Follett*, dr. of Robert and Mary R. (Walkup) Follett, b. Uxbridge, July 5, 1824; cer. Nashua, N.H., Jan. 1, 1852, by Rev. Leonard Swain. Issue: —

AN INFANT SON, b. Newcastle, Me., 1856; d. soon, unnamed.

FANNIE MARIA (adopted), b. Newcastle, Me., April 2, 1864; m. Atwood Marrill, Worcester, Sept., 1876.

Grand dr.: —

MARY ELIZABETH MARRILL, b. West Boylston, Oct. 31, 1878.

Mr. Chase gives me no trace of his ancestors, on either side, beyond gd. parents. His gd. fr. Chase bore the name John, and his wf.'s name was Edee. On the maternal side, his gd. fr.'s name was Abijah Smith, whose wf. was Lydia (Rogers), a descendant of the famous martyr, John Rogers. Enoch and Mary (Smith) Chase, of Edgecomb, Me., had no less than 12 chn.; Abijah and Lydia (Rogers) Smith had 11 chn.; and Capt. Rogers Smith, by wf. Martha (Spofford), had 9 chn. These last are cousins to our John Smith Chase; so the latter can but rejoice in the multitude of offspring granted to his progenitors. Our Mr. Chase and wf. are in good social standing. He is an expert master of the iron-moulding business, and is an approved foreman of the Hopedale Foundery. The family have res. in Worcester, Newcastle, Me., Northbridge, and now for some yrs. in Hopedale.

CHASE, JOSEPH A., sole-leather cutter, appears in our Directories of 1872, '75, '78, and '80. No report from him. His pedigree to me unknown.

CHENEY. The Cheneys were among our early settlers. (See Chap. III., Part I.) This reference will save me the repetition of the facts there stated

relating to our first settler of this name, the locality where he dwelt, etc. This was William Cheney, whose wf.'s name was Margaret. I have taken much pains to ascertain her maiden name, ptge., birth-date, and time of mge.; but all my attempts have been baffled. Nor could I for a long time trace his family chain to the immigrant ancestor. At length, after a deal of research, I succeeded. The ancestral immigrant was William Cheney of Roxbury. He and his bro. John came from Eng., perhaps in 1635. His will in Suffolk Probate Registry, B. I. p. 528, made in 1667, shows that he had 4 sons; viz., John, William, Joseph, and Thomas; also 2 gd. sons, Thomas and William, children of Thomas. It shows that he was a landholder in Medfield, and that he willed a farm there to his son William on condition that he should become reconciled to his wife Deborah, and they should live together. This condition was probably complied with; for the Medfield records show that William and Deborah had 5 chn. b. there, the 2 youngest after the date of the first William's will. Our William was born July 27, 1670, and his bro. John, Jan. 5, 1673. Their fr. d. soon after, and subsequently his wf. Deborah m. Ebenezer Williams of Dorchester. Our William and one or two bros. seem to have been under the care of Williams for a time, who gave bonds to secure to them the property left them by their fr. The next we hear of our William, he and wf. Margaret became inhabitants of Mendon, about 1695. There they began to have chn.; and thence, in 1706 or thereabouts, they came over on to the rocky high land between Hopedale Corner and Elm St., and made them a home. It stood on the opposite side of the road to where the late Sylvanus Adams converted his son's large carpentry-shop into two dwelling-houses. The chn. of William[3] and Margaret Cheney were, —

MARGARET, b. Aug. 30, 1695; untraced.

SARAH, b. Feb. 15, 1699; m. John White, Mendon, April 28, 1720.

HEASTER, b. June 17, 1701; untraced.

WILLIAM, jun., b. Feb. 7, 1704; lived and d. in near proximity to his fr. See his record.

EBENEZER, b. Nov. 20, 1706; lived at first on a part of his fr.'s homestead; moved to Bruce farm.

ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 21, 1709; untraced.

The fr. was probably a ch. member somewhere in his youth, removed his relation to the First Ch. in Mendon, and in 1741 joined with Elder Jones in forming the Second here, now our Cong. ch. in Mil. He was then getting to be an elderly man. In 1725 he sold 26 acres of his farm to Seth Chapin, jun. This was on the southerly side of the road, and comprised all that portion lying easterly from his house, including the Obed Daniels place and the lands adjoining it in a southerly direction. In the spring of 1730 he deeded away all the residue of his homestead to his sons Ebenezer and William, jun., — 20 acres to Ebenezer, and 32 to William, with the buildings; probably taking some form of security for the maintenance of himself and wf. during the remainder of life. It was not very long, however, before most, if not all, his originally laid-out estate passed into the possession of the Chapins dwelling in the vicinity. I do not find any record of his death, or his wf.'s, but infer that both d. not far from 1756, perhaps a little later.

CHENEY, WILLIAM, jun.[4] (William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Mendon, Feb. 7, 1704; m. *Joanna Thayer* of Braintree, May 20, 1726. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Wales) Thayer; named after her gd. mr., Joanna Wales, and b. in Braintree, 1706. Their chn. were, —

JOANNA, b. May 26, 1728; m. Benjamin Atwood, March 13, 1754.
SUSANNA, b. July 23, 1730; not traced.
WALES, b. Aug. 31, 1732; a long-lived, worthy, and respected citizen.
NATHANIEL, b. Feb. 24, 1734; imperfectly traceable.
MARY, b., not found; m. Jesse Whitney, Sept. 22, 1757.
CALEB, b. Jan. 12, 1738-39; a prominent citizen; first town-clerk of Mil.
EBENEZER, bap. July 19, 1741; several yrs. a citizen, then emigrated to Orange, 1776.
ABIGAIL, b. Nov. 20, 1743; m. John Jones, Dec. 9, 1762.
WILLIAM, b. May 18, 1746; mostly, if not always, a citizen here.
LEVI, b. Nov. 23, 1750; m. Mary Hill; emigrated to Orange; d. 1846.

The fr. and mr. were original members of the Cong. ch.; though the fr. fell under serious censure toward the end of his days, on account of intemperate habits. He was a man of ability, a good penman for those times, and for some yrs. clerk of the Precinct. He d. probably about the yr. 1756. His wid. subsequently m. Dea. Nathan Penniman, May 28, 1760.

CHENEY, EBENEZER[4] (William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. probably on our ter. Nov. 20, 1706; m. *Hannah Bigelow*, date not ascertained. She was a dr. of Joshua and Hannah (Fisk) Bigelow, and b. in Weston, 1704. She was sister to Mrs. Isaac Parkhurst and Mrs. James Sumner. Their chn. were, —

JOHN, b. Nov. 27, 1737; d. young.
SILENCE, b. July 27, 1740; m. Seth Nelson, Oct. 28, 1756.

The parents appear to have been energetic, capable, and prosperous in their family concerns; but he did not long survive. The birth of his dr. Silence must have occurred a little after his decease; for his inventory was rendered to Probate Ct., July 21, 1740. Its total was £400. His real estate comprised 100 acres of land, with the buildings. The wid. settled the estate, and, being empowered by General Ct., sold the farm to Nathan Tyler, Esq. He subsequently sold it to Ichabod Thayer in 1744, who meantime had become the 2d husband of Mrs. Hannah (Bigelow) Cheney. That Ebenezer Cheney farm, in part, if not wholly, was owned by Justin E. Eames, lately deceased.

CHENEY, WALES[5] (William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 31, 1732; m. *Sarah Whitney*, Nov. 10, 1756; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Jonathan and Lydia (Jones) Whitney, b., date not found. Their chn. were, —

JOSIAH, b. Aug. 9, 1757; untraced.
NATHANIEL, b. Oct. 1, 1758; m. Elizabeth Hudson, Hol., Feb. 19, 1789.
DAVID, b., no date found; m.; said to have set. in Orange.
NATHAN, b. May 4, 1765; m.; set., lived, and d. in Orange.
LYDIA, b. May 4, 1767; m. John Corbett, April 6, 1786.
ASA, b. Dec. 20, 1769; m. Roxana Pitman, June 16, 1799.
AMOS, b. Sept. 26, 1771; untraced.
ANNA, b. April 21, 1773; m. Otis Butterworth, Bell., March 25, 1798.
ALEXANDER, b. Oct. 8, 1780; a worthy man and citizen; lived and d. in Mil. He was thrice m. See his family record, further on.

Wales Cheney is uniformly represented to have been a laborious, frugal, temperate, and most punctiliously upright man; sometimes stern and blunt-spoken, but a kind-hearted and accommodating neighbor. He lived just beyond the Whitney place, towards Hayden Row, where his son Alexander afterwards dwelt, except that the latter built him a new house farther south. He was an aged man when I came into town in 1824. He d. March 27, 1825; and I minis-

tered at his funeral. He had attained to the venerable age of 92 yrs. His wf. d. at a date not ascertained, but several yrs. before himself.

CHENEY, NATHANIEL[5] (William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 24, 1734. I have been baffled in all my attempts to ascertain the family record of this Cheney. Whom he m., or whether he m. at all, or had any chn., I cannot learn. He seems to have lived and d. in his native vicinage, and his bro. Caleb set. his small estate in 1759.

CHENEY, CALEB[5] (William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 12, 1738–39; m. *Mary Wheelock*, March 9, 1758; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Samuel and Hannah (Ammidown) Wheelock, b. Dec. 31, 1738. Their chn. were, —

TRYPHENA, b. Nov. 13, 1758; m. Oliver Smith, Holl., Sept. 24, 1778.
ARTEMAS, b. Oct. 12, 1760; m. Mary Albee, Feb. 1, 1781; he d. Dec. 29, 1804.
MARY, b. Sept. 28, 1762; m. Jonathan Kimball, July 7, 1781.
RELIEF, b. Aug. 12, 1764; m. Enos Beal, June 25, 1784.
CALVIN, b. April 26, 1766; m. Miriam ——; untraceable.
ELIZABETH, b. May 21, 1768; never m.; d. Jan. 4, 1810.
CALEB, jun., b. April 3, 1770; lived and d. a citizen of Mil.
OLIVE, b. April 14, 1772; m. Asa Beal, Sept. 2, 1790.
RACHEL, b. March 24, 1774; m. Samuel Wilson, Up., Oct. 4, 1810.
CHARLES, b. Aug. 22, 1776; m. Sally Beal, Nov. 28, 1797.
HANNAH, b. Nov. 7, 1778; m. Elisha Carpenter, Attleboro'.
SARAH, b. Dec. 8, 1780; m. Samuel Lackey, Up., April 20, 1814.

The fr. appears to have been a highly respected man and citizen. He was the first town-clerk of Mil., and held various other positions of trust. If I have correctly understood, his homestead was the same owned afterwards by his son Caleb, afterwards by John A. Clark, and more recently by George Hancock on Congress St. He d. July 5, 1800; and his wid., March 3, 1814.

CHENEY, EBENEZER[5] (William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), bap. July 19, 1741; m. *Abigail Thompson*, March 18, 1760; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Her ptge. and birth-date not traced. Their chn. were, —

ELIJAH, b. Sept. 14, 1760; not traced.
EBENEZER, jun., b. Sept. 7, 1761; m. Anna Nelson, Feb. 7, 1785; res. some time in Warwick.
ABNER, b. Nov. 10, 1765; not traced.
JOANNA, b. April 16, 1768; not traced.
SARAH, b. Feb. 9, 1770; not traced.

This family is understood to have emigrated to Orange in 1776, and the chn. to have increased to a large number. The fr. d. at the age of 82 yrs. A numerous posterity probably exists in Orange and its general vicinity. No further traced.

CHENEY, WILLIAM[5] (William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. May 18, 1746; m. *Hannah Bowker* of Hop., Dec. 6, 1770; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a sister of Dea. Edmund Bowker, and dr. of Micah. No further traced. Their chn. were, —

SILAS, b. Aug. 22, 1771; m. Sally Davis, Nov. 29, 1792.
COMFORT, b. Jan. 15, 1774; untraced.
CHLOE, b. Jan. 5, 1776; untraced.
JESSE, b. Jan. 15, 1778; m. Lydia Madden, Nov. 4, 1802.
WILLIAM, jun., b. Feb. 4, 1780; untraced.
CLARISSA, b. March 22, 1782; untraced.

JOHN, b. Aug. 7, 1784; m. Susanna Kinney of Hop. See his record.

CYRENE, b. Feb. 9, 1787; untraced.

The fr. had his good qualities, but did not rank so high in the moral scale as his elder bros. His wf. *Hannah* d. Sept. 21, 1827. He d. Sept. 10, 1829, a. 76.

CHENEY, LEVI, youngest son of William, jun., and Joanna; m. *Mary Hill*, dr. of John and Thankful; emigrated first, a yr., to Athol, and then to Orange in 1776; raised up a large family there, and d. in a prolonged old age. He must have a numerous posterity in Orange and elsewhere. No further traced. In a notice of a family gathering at the res. of Nathaniel Cheney, No. Orange, by L. W. Cheney Cramer, printed in "Milford Journal" for Feb. 3, 1872, it is stated that "Ebenezer and Levi Cheney, bros.," from Milford, "became extensive owners of the soil [in No. Orange]; Ebenezer, the fr. of 23 chn., and Levi, of 14; Ebenezer dying at the age of 82 yrs., and Levi of 97." Here is room for genealogical inquiry by any Cheney interested.

CHENEY, ASA[6] (Wales,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Dec. 20, 1769; m. *Roxana Pitman*, June 16, 1799; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. Her ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

CATHARINE SMITH, b. Sept. 3, 1799; untraced.

ELIZA JONES, b. Sept. 19, 1801; d. April 9, 1810.

MARY H., b. Aug. 4, 1804; m. Jairus Whiting; survived him; d. July 7, 1877.

DAVID, b. Feb. 9, 1807; set. in R.I.; res. not far from Providence.

WILLIAM PITMAN, b. March 23, 1811. No further traced.

LYDIA MELLEN, b. April 26, 1815; m., 1st, Sylvester Wales, Sept. 12, 1833; 2d, C. F. Blood.

NATHANIEL JONES, b. May 26, 1816.

JOSIAH, b. not recorded; d. Nov. 1, 1813.

Death-dates of the parents not ascertained further than that the fr. d. at the Eastward in Dec., 1830, a. about 61 yrs.

CHENEY, ALEXANDER[6] (Wales,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Oct. 8, 1780; m., 1st, *Lovice Bowker* of Mil., Aug. 2, 1801; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was the eldest dr. of Dea. Edmund and Beulah (Stearns) Bowker, b. March 22, 1799, and d. March 7, 1824. Their chn. were, —

PENELOPE, b. Sept. 7, 1801; m. Dana Knowlton, April 27, 1823; set. in Petersham.

SOPHIA, b. Feb. 9, 1803; m. Rufus Claflin, jun., Oct. 24, 1824; lived and d. Mil.

NATHAN, b. July 25, 1804; m. Susan Stone, April 5, 1827.

JONATHAN BOWKER, b. Aug. 31, 1806; d. unm., Aug. 22, 1834, a. 28 yrs.

EMILY, b. Aug. 26, 1808; m. Amos Wales, April 21, 1831; d. Oct. 6, 1850.

LYDIA BOWKER, b. Nov. 9, 1810; m. Alfred Warner; whole family dead.

The fr. m., 2d, Wid. *Elizabeth W. Stone* of Hop., June 6, 1827; cer. by the writer. She d. June 25, 1828. Their chn. were, —

LOVICE S., b. March 9, 1828; d. April 1, 1845, a. 17 yrs.

ELIZABETH, b. Nov. 9, 1828; d. June 18, 1850, a. 22 yrs.

The fr. m., 3d, Wid. *Anna* (*Whitney*) *Barnes* of Mil., Jan. 21, 1829; cer. by the writer. They had 1 child: —

LAURA ANN, b. June 11, 1831; d. March 16, 1845, a. 13 yrs.

The fr. d. Nov. 2, 1843, a. 63 yrs. and nearly 1 mo. He was a kind neigh-

bor, good citizen, and worthy man. All his wives, too, were of like moral character. *Anna*, his 3d wf., d. April 27, 1854.

CHENEY, ARTEMAS[6] (Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Oct. 12, 1760; m. *Rachel Albee*, dr. of Seth and Rebecca (Beal) Albee; cer. Feb. 1, 1781, by Rev. A. Frost. They had at least 1 child: —

EBENEZER, b. April 14, 1782.

Perhaps they had more chn. in Orange, whither, I understand, they removed. But be this as it may, Mrs. Rachel d. in 1787, a. 22 yrs. There are several Cheneys whose names appear casually on our records, about whose pedigree I am so much mystified that I shall have to throw them into a miscellaneous table at the end of this series.

CHENEY, CALVIN[6] (Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. April 26, 1766; m. *Miriam* ——; unable to trace pedigree, mge.-date, etc. Their chn. were, —

ALINDA, b. ——; d. Aug. 25, 1798.

CALEB THAYER, b. ——; d. Aug. 29, 1798.

SAMUEL F., b. ——; d. Sept. 23, 1798.

SUSANNA RICHARDSON, b. Nov. 5, 1799; m. Rufus White, Charlton, Nov. 11, 1824.

LEVI, b. Feb. 6, 1801; untraced.

PAMELA, b. Aug. 29, 1802; untraced.

CALVIN JEFFERSON, b. Aug. 23, 1804; untraced.

ASA FOSKETT, b. Feb. 21, 1807; untraced.

RUSSELL, b. Jan. 5, 1810; untraced.

ELLIOT, b. Jan. 11, 1812; untraced.

Unable to trace this family further.

CHENEY, CALEB, jun.[6] (Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. April 3, 1770; m. *Sarah Hunting* of Mil., April 28, 1791, by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Joseph and Hannah (Bond) Hunting, b. in Hol., March 5, 1754. Their chn. were, —

LINDA, b. ——; d. in early infancy.

HOPIE, b. ——; d. in early infancy.

CARMEL, b. Sept. 20, 1796; res. here many yrs.; now in Bethany, Mo.

IRA, b. Sept. 23, 1798; res. here many yrs.; d. several yrs. since.

RUFUS, b. Jan. 8, 1801; res. always here; large family; d. May 25, 1872.

HANNAH BOND, b. Jan. 31, 1804; m. Orison Underwood, Sept. 2, 1827; survives.

SARAH, b. April 4, 1808; d. Dec. 30 same year.

Their family homestead was on Congress St., where George Hancock now dwells. The fr. d. Nov. 22, 1830. The mr. d. May 26, 1839.

CHENEY, CHARLES[6] (Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 22, 1776; m. *Sarah Beal*, Nov. 28, 1797; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Samuel and Sarah (Saunders) Beal (if I have not mistaken the family), bap. June 14, 1778, just after the death of her father. Chn.: —

CLARISSA, b. Sept. 5, 1798; m. Haskey Wight, April 5, 1821.

LYDIA, b. May 17, 1800; untraced.

JOSEPH WASHBURN, b. Sept. 24, 1807; d. Oct. 11, 1808.

ALFRED, b. Aug. 31, 1809; untraced.

The mr. d. July 30, 1811. The fr. no further traced.

CHENEY, SILAS[6] (William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 22, 1771; m. *Sally Davis*, Nov. 29, 1792; cer. by Amariah Frost,

Esq. She was a dr. of Phinehas and Mary Davis, b. Jan. 29, 1767. Issue: —

NANCY, b. Feb. 4, 1793; prob. m. Reuben Gage, Jamaica, Vt., 1813.

I seem to find no more on our records. When or where this Silas d., eludes my search. The same of his wf. Perhaps they removed from town.

CHENEY, JESSE[6] (William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 15, 1758; m. *Lydia Madden*, dr. of Michael and Mary (Bullard) Madden, b. Feb. 3, 1784; cer. Nov. 4, 1802, by Samuel Jones, Esq.

I have not found any record of chn. b. to this couple, nor of the hus.'s death. But on an outside private memoranda, kept by the Wid. Trial Andrews, I find this entry: "Aug. 30, 1840. Then died Lydia Cheney, wid. of Jesse Cheney."

CHENEY, JOHN[6] (William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 7, 1784; m. *Susanna Kinney* of Hop.; ptge., birth-date, cer., etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

SILAS, b. Aug. 29, 1807; m., 1st, Mary S. Littlefield; 2d, Sarah A. Newhall.

LOUISA, b. Feb. 14, 1809; m. Howland Tyler, 1839.

ZIBA, b. Dec. 1, 1810; m., 1st, Sarah Ormes, July 20, 1836; 2d, Ann Clark.

SUSAN, b. Feb. 7, 1812; m. Richmond Stone, Aug. 14, 1836.

WILLIAM, b. Oct. 5, 1813; m. Susan A. Greenman, So. Kingston, R.I., 1838.

ELBRIDGE, b. Sept. 13, 1815; m. Susan L. Allen, 1845.

JOSEPH, b. April 5, 1817; m. Almira B. Pond, Oct. 4, 1838.

ANGENETTE, b. Jan. 9, 1819; d. Oct. 8, 1828.

CHANDLER, b. March 31, 1822; m. Mary H. Greenman of Kingston, R.I., 1845.

WARREN, b. Feb. 24, 1824; m. Catherine Fletcher, 1845.

SAMUEL, b. June 5, 1826; m. Emma W. Dale, Oct. 6, 1848; res. Boston.

The parental family homestead was at and around the junction of Purchase and Camp Sts., now so named, long ago owned, wholly or in part, by Jonathan Bond, and afterwards by Samuel Wood. John Cheney and wf. were laborious, frugal, and economical people. They raised up a large family, made great improvements on their estate, and honestly accumulated considerable property, notwithstanding many disadvantages. They deserved well of their neighbors and townsfolk. He d. Sept. 15, 1872, at the age of 88 yrs. 1 mo. and 8 ds. His wf. d., date not ascertained.

CHENEY, NATHAN[7] (Alexander,[6] Wales,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. July 25, 1804; m. *Susan Stone* of Hop., April 5, 1829; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of Abijah and Elizabeth Stone. Mrs. Elizabeth became his fr.'s 2d wife.

SARAH WHITNEY, b. Feb. 13, 1830; untraced.

EDWARD SHEPHERD, b. Jan. 26, 1833; m. Matilda B. Cole, Providence, R.I., March 25, 1856.

The married life of the parents began with fair promise; but a fatal decline seized on the fr., and he d. in Mil., Dec. 7, 1833. His wid. m. for her 2d hus. Sumner Eaton, May 19, 1835; cer. by William N. Green, Esq., of Worcester.

CHENEY, EDWARD SHEPHERD[8] (Nathan,[7] Alexander,[6] Wales,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 26, 1833; res. Providence, R.I.; m. *Matilda B. Cole*, March 25, 1856. Their chn.: —

EDWARD COLE, b. Providence, R.I., Feb. 26, 1857.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Providence, R.I., March 14, 1865.

FRED SHEPHERD, b. Providence, R.I., Aug. 20, 1870.

CHENEY, CARMEL[7] (Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 20, 1796; m. *Ursula Richardson*, dr. of Amos Richardson and (Keziah Kibbey), b. Medway, May 17, 1797; cer. Med., Dec. 2, 1817, by Abner Morse, Esq. Their chn. were, —

SARAH HUNTING, b. Jan. 6, 1819; m., and has had 6 chn.

CORDELIA CLAFLIN, b. June 27, 1820; m., and has had 7 chn.

JOHN CORBETT, b. Nov. 11, 1821; has now 2d wf., and had 9 chn.

MARY KEITH, b. July 25, 1823; m., and had 13 chn.

ALBERT BYRON, b. Aug. 22, 1827; has now his 4th wf., and had 4 chn.

ANDREW JACKSON, b. Feb. 19, 1829; m., and has had 4 chn.

ADALINE URSULA, b. May 31, 1831; m. William Walker; has had 5 chn.; res. in Mil.

WILLIAM CARMEL, b. May 19, 1833; has now his 4th wf., and had 4 chn.

HANNAH JANE, b. Mina, N.Y., June 10, 1835; m., and has had 6 chn.

DAVID IRA, b. Mina, N.Y., June 9, 1837; m., and has had 7 chn.

ROSELA ANN, b. Jackson Co., Io., March 5, 1840; m. W. H. Robinson, and has had 5 chn.

Grandchn.: —

68 births; 18 deaths; living, 50.

Worthy family. Moved from Mil. to Mina, N.Y., 1834; to Andrew Jackson Co., Io.; to Bethany (Yankee Ridge P.O.), Mo. He is almost 84 yrs. old; she 83. [After the foregoing was written, news came that Mrs. Ursula d. June 24, 1881, a. 84 yrs. 1 mo. and 7 ds.]

CHENEY, IRA[7] (Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 23, 1798; m. *Juliana Nelson*, April 3, 1818; cer. by Rev. Isaac Bonney. She was the youngest dr. of Josiah Nelson, jun., and Anna (Warren) his wf., b. April 22, 1798. Their chn. were, —

MARY ANNA, b. Jan. 30, 1821; m. Lorenzo Chapin, March 18, 1841.

ARMENIA, b. Jan. 27, 1823; m. Aaron Bolcom, 1845; she d. St. Louis, Mo., 1846.

SAMUEL JONES, b. Sept. 19, 1824; m. Laura S. Ide, 1850; res. Mil.

FRANCES MARION, b. Oct. 28, 1832; m., 1st, Charles Stewart; 2d, Dr. Trusse; both of St. Joseph, Mo.

Frances Marion had 3 chn. by her 1st. hus. and 2 by her 2d. She res. Savannah, Mo., where Dr. Trusse d. Mrs. Juliana, her mr., d. with her in Savannah, Mo., 1867, a. about 69 yrs. Mr. C., having m. a 2d wf., who belonged in Durham, N.H., d. in that town June 24, 1872. He had no chn. by this 2d mge.

CHENEY, RUFUS[7] (Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 8, 1801; m., 1st, *Cynthia Alexander* of Upton, birth-date not given; cer. probably by Rev. Benjamin Wood; banns pub. March 1, 1825. This mge. was dissolved by an early death. She d. June 19, 1825.

He m., 2d, *Ruth Staples* of Mendon, April 1, 1829; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of Lendall and Ruth (Daniels Wheelock) Staples, b. 1806. Their chn. were, —

EVERETT, b. Dec. 29, 1829; m., 1st., Emeline A. Rand, 1850; 2d, Rebecca E. Ellis.

CORTES, b. Aug. 31, 1831; m. Sarah M. Armstrong, 1853; he d. April 21, 1869.

CYNTHIA, b. Aug. 11, 1833; untraced.

EDWIN, b. June 17, 1835; m. Mary J. Clark, Potsdam, N.Y., Aug. 26, 1874.

MILTON, b. Oct. 30, 1837; bootmaker; m. Sally Cushing, Nov. 27, 1864; d. Nov. 23, 1869.

Laurinda, b. April 28, 1841; m., 1st, Giles E. Fletcher, jun., March 13, 1865; 2d, C. L. Pond, March 13, 1875.

The mr. d. April 11, 1845, a. 39 yrs. The fr. m., 3d, *Lucretia Burr* of Mendon, dr. of Ezekiel and Esther (Johnson) Burr, b. Dover, Vt., Oct. 7, 1808; cer. May 27, 1846, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

Albert Rufus, b. Feb. 17, 1847; m. Emma F. Chase, Oct. 6, 1870.

Orison Underwood, b. April 14, 1849.

Rufus Cheney was an ingenious mechanic, a musician by natural gift and persistent practice, a frugal and provident business man in unrisky ways, an orderly citizen, and a well-disposed man in the various relations of life. He had his full share of casualties, afflictions, and discomforts, and finally d. of heart disease while sojourning in Madrid, N.Y., May 25, 1872, a. 71 yrs.

CHENEY, Everett[8] (Rufus,[7] Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Mil., Dec. 29, 1829; mr.'s maiden name, Ruth Staples; m., 1st, *Emeline Amelia Rand*, dr. of William T. and Catherine (Allen) Rand, b. Wendell, May 15, 1833; cer. May, 1850, where and by whom not specified.

Issue, b. 1854; d. a. 5 wks.

An infant son, b. 1857; d. at birth.

Mrs. Emeline d. Aug., 1857, a. 24 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, *Rebecca E. Ellis*, dr. of Manoah and Sarah (Chase) Ellis, b. Waldo, Me., 1837; cer. Walpole, Mass., Oct. 19, 1861, by Rev. Mr. Merrick. Issue:—

A. Lena, b. Mil., Feb. 5, 1867; d. Dec. 3, 1872, a. 5 yrs. 10 mos.

Alice Maud, b. Mil., Sept. 1, 1872.

Respectable family. Mr. Cheney keeps a thrifty newspaper and variety store at 136 Main St.; res. 111 do.

CHENEY, Silas[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 29, 1807; m. *Mary S. Littlefield*, Hop.; cer. by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. She was a dr. of David and Lucy (Everett) Littlefield, b. Hop., June 15, 1813. Their chn. were,—

Charles, b. May 6, 1833; m. Joanna Bowers of Franklin, April 12, 1857.

Cordelia, b. June 3, 1834; m., 1st, Asa I. Slayton, 1854; 2d, Charles McWales, 1864.

Lyman, b Sept. 1, 1835; m. Mary Connor, March 17, 1856.

Louisa Jane, b. Feb. 2, 1837; m. Orimanandel Quimby, Nov. 9, 1854.

John Henry, b. Oct. 26, 1838; d. June 11, 1843.

George Otis, b. Feb. 20, 1840; d. Aug. 1, 1842.

George W., b. Aug. 9, 1842; d. June 2, 1843.

Adin Ballou, b. April 30, 1845.

Alvin J., b. Sept. 8, 1850; d. June 18, 1876.

Waldo E., b. June 5, 1853; m., name not given, Plymouth, Aug. 30, 1874.

Mary E., b. Nov. 2, 1857.

The *grandchn.* of this family are as follows:—

Chn. of Charles Cheney,—Alton, b. June 19, 1859; Ida, March 15, 1865.

Chn. of Cordelia Wales,—Eva, b. June 3, 1865; Cora, June, 1867.

Chn. of Louisa J. Quimby,—Caroline, b. 1856; Idella C., 1860; George E., 1866; Leon H., 1871; Jessie, 1878.

Chn. of Lyman Cheney,—Nora, b. 1856; Bessie, 1875.

Chn. of Waldo E. Cheney,—Freddie, b. 1876.

In all, 12 grandchn.

Here is a family of the good old-fashioned size. The fruitful mother of

these 11 chn. wore out with patient service at last, and d. June 28, 1875. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah A. Newhall*, dr. of Morton and Matilda (Thayer) Newhall, b. Mendon, Aug. 13, 1835; cer. in Lynn, July 1, 1878, by Rev. A. C. Robinson. Silas is a bootmaker by trade, and has always res. in Mil., formerly in No. Purchase, but for many yrs. in the Centre. He furnishes me the following reminiscences: —

"I am in my 74th yr., and in good health; never was so sick as to call a physician. When I and my bros. were boys, we were obliged to wear pants to school in winter made of bed-ticking colored with maple bark. At noon I had to sew a birch mat, and work evenings. The first clothes we had for meeting were some that Isaac and Willard Haven had outgrown — nankeen pants and checkered coats. We had but one hat each for working-days and Sunday, and wore the same to meeting. I did not go to a military training till obliged to do duty in my 19th yr. I was born in Hopkinton, lived there 3 yrs., and ever since in Milford."

No wonder that his father brought up a large family, and d. at the age of 88 yrs. with a handsome competency; and no wonder that Silas has multiplied his race without making himself or them a town charge. Industry, sobriety, and frugality do not increase pauperism. Habits of this sort do not lead to the poorhouse. Let the idle, wasteful, and prodigal be instructed.

CHENEY, ZIBA[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Dec. 1, 1810; m. *Sarah Ormes*, July 20, 1836; cer. by Rev. Nathaniel Spindel. She was of Hop.; ptge. not ascertained. Their chn.: —

AMANDA MALVINA, b. Dec. 18, 1837; no further traced.

HENRY C., b. Nov. 10, 1842; d. Jan. 5, 1843.

Mrs. Sarah d. Nov. 18, 1842. The hus. was published to Ann Clark of Mil., March 1, 1845; and I suppose they were m. soon afterwards, though I have not traced the particulars. I have not been informed of their subsequent history.

CHENEY, WILLIAM[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William[2], William[1]), b. Oct. 5, 1813; m. *Susan A. Greenman* of So. Kingston, R.I.; cer. 1838; ptge., particulars of cer., etc., not ascertained. They moved to the West a few yrs. after mge., and I suppose have chn. But circumstances have prevented my acquiring desired information concerning the family.

CHENEY, JOSEPH[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Oct. 5, 1817; m. *Almira Bragg Pond*, dr. of Jones and Hopestill (Corbett) Pond, b. Mil., March 27, 1819; cer. Oct. 9, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

AUGUSTA MARION, b. Oct. 26, 1839; d. Oct. 9, 1843.

ONSLOW JOHN, b. Sept. 7, 1844; d. Sept. 7, 1844.

JOHN ONSLOW, b. July 26, 1849; d. Jan. 16, 1862.

JONES POND, b. June 9, 1853; d. Dec. 17, 1854.

CHARLIE BION, b. Aug. 17, 1859.

The family res. in Mil. till 1870; since in Lincoln County, Kan.

CHENEY, CHANDLER[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. March 31, 1822; bootclick; m. *Mary H. Greenman* of So. Kingston, R.I., dr. of Silas P. and Anne (Gardiner) Greenman, b. Jan. 17, 1822; cer. Wrentham, Sept. 3, 1845, by Rev. Mr. Sears. Always res. in Mil. Their chn.: —

ALMOND F., b. Nov. 22, 1846; m. Martha J. Burns, June 23, 1866.

THEODORE F., b. July 26, 1849; d. Dec. 7, 1854.

HERBERT C., b. March 26, 1852; d. Dec. 1, 1854.
ELLA G., b. July 17, 1854; d. June 14, 1859.
JOSEPHINE G., b. April 27, 1858; music teacher.
MARY ELLA, b. June 10, 1860; d. Jan. 28, 1864.
HARRY B., b. Dec. 11, 1871; a *gd. child*, son of Almon F. and Martha J. Worthy family, sadly thinned by the angel of death.

CHENEY, WARREN[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 24, 1824; bootcutter; m. *Catharine Fletcher*, dr. of Nathan and Catherine (Morse) Fletcher, b. Mil., July 19, 1843; cer. Mil., Nov. 25, 1845, by Rev. Benjamin H. Davis. Always res. in Mil. Their chn :—

LEANDER JOHN, b. May 22, 1847; m. Mary E. Waite of Worcester, Nov. 23 1867.
ANNETTE R., b. Sept. 13, 1849; d. Jan. 3, 1854.
WARREN E., b. Oct. 6, 1851; d. Feb. 20, 1853.
IDA, b. May 14, 1853; d. June 15, 1858.
ANNA R., b. Feb. 23, 1855; d. Jan. 9, 1868.
ARTHUR W., b. June 27, 1859.
WALTER, b. May 2, 1862; d. Sept. 2, 1863.
FRANK E., b. Nov. 18, 1864.
ELLA U., b. Nov. 23, 1867; d. Aug. 9, 1868.

Reputable family, thinned on earth for heaven. Leander J. and Mary E. Cheney have 3 chn.; viz., *Sarah N.*, b. Feb. 13, 1872, *Willie W.*, Jan. 11, 1878, and *Herbert L.*, June 24, 1879. These are of the 9th gen.

CHENEY, SAMUEL[7] (John,[6] William,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. June 5, 1826; m. *Emma Warner Dale*, dr. of Rev. John and Sabina (Warner) Dale, b. Feb. 21, 1829; cer. Oct. 6, 1848, by whom not given. Their chn.:—

GEORGE R., birth-date not given; goldfinisher in Boston.
ALLISTON G., birth-date not given; clerk in Boston.

The family are of good repute, and have res. in Boston now for several yrs.

CHENEY, SAMUEL JONES[8] (Ira,[7] Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Mil., Sept. 19, 1825; mr.'s maiden name Julia Anna Nelson; m. *Laura S. Ide*, dr. of Kalloch and Sarah (Frost) Ide, b. Wrentham, Oct. 7, 1826; cer. in Cincinnati, O., 1850, by Rev. Mr. Jewell. Their chn.:—

ERNEST H., b. Cincinnati, O., 1851; d. Nov. 5, 1853.
FLORENCE, b. Mil., 1854; d. Aug. 13, 1856.
FLORA LOUISA, b. Mil., 1857; m. Oct. 16, 1879, to Melvin N. Dow; res. Hop.
MINNIE ESTELLE, b. Mil., 1863.

A worthy family. Res. Cincinnati, O., and now in Mil. for many yrs.

A *gd. child* later b., *Fannie B.*, dr. of Melvin N. and Flora L. Dow, b. Hop., Feb. 17, 1881; d. at the a. of 6 ds.

CHENEY, EDWIN[8] (Rufus,[7] Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] William, jun.,[4] William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. June 17, 1835; mr.'s maiden name Ruth Staples; m. *Mary J. Clark*, dr. of Reuben and Susan (Flint) Clark, b. in North Lawrence, N.Y., Oct. 23, 1849; cer. at Potsdam, N.Y., Aug. 26, 1874, by Rev. A. Blackman. No chn. reported.

Mr. C. was formerly a good worker at bootstitching, etc., but latterly keeps a "Progressive Literature Agency, and teaches music." He is much devoted to the humanitary reforms, is a Spiritualistic Progressionist, and an outspoken friend of whatever he deems promotive of human elevation.

MISCELLANEOUS TABLE.

As there are Cheneys whose names are on our records, some of whom I cannot easily classify under specific genealogical heads, I give them in this desultory order: —

Nathaniel Cheney (conjectured to be a son of Wales Cheney) m. *Elizabeth Hudson*, Holl.; cer. Feb. 19, 1789, by Rev. A. Frost.

Artemas Cheney, Holl., m. *Betsey Littlefield* of Mil.; cer. Sept. 15, 1808, by Samuel Jones, Esq. They had b. to them *Clarinda*, Dec. 14, 1808, and *Malinda*, May 28, 1810. *Elizabeth*, their dr., d. Nov. 14, 1812.

An *Artemas Cheney* d. in Mil., Dec. 29, 1804. Cannot trace him.

Ebenezer and *Mary Cheney* had b. to them a son, named *Edson Daniels*, Oct. 16, 1810. 2 of their infant drs. d. here, March 26 and 28, 1811.

Seth and *Lavina Cheney* had a son b. to them, named *Seth Clark*, June 24, 1813. And *Seth Cheney* d. here, Feb. 6, 1814.

There are several other Cheneys, living or deceased, whom I must leave unnoticed for want of more definite information. And a few, able to give me reports of family records, have declined to do so.

CHEEVER, Hervey, farmer, son of Bartholomew and Polly (Penniman) Cheever, b. Princeton, July 26, 1827; m., 1st, *Mary D. Hersey*, dr. of Harrison O. Hersey, b. Fall River, Feb., 1842; cer. Worcester, Oct. 5 (yr. not given), by Rev. J. W. Dadmun. Issue: —

Charles Harrison, b. Ware, Dec. 20, 1862.

Hattie Louisa, b. Ware, Nov. 19, 1864.

Mrs. Mary d. Jan. 26, 1867. The hus. m., 2d, *Angenette Matilda Tyler*, dr. of Howland and Louisa (Cheney) Tyler, b. Mil., Jan. 8, 1845; cer. in Ware, Sept. 26, 1867, by Rev. A. E. Perkins. No chn. reported. Former res. Ware; present one Mil.

CHEEVER, Edwin J., is mentioned in Directories, 1872, '75, '78, '80.

CHEEVER, George A., is mentioned in Directories, 1872, '78, '80.

CHEEVER, Sophia E., mother prob. of the two preceding, 1872, '75, '78, '80. No information from this family.

CHILSON, Willard, son of Joshua and Margaret (Wright) Chilson, b. Bell., Dec. 8, 1797; m. *Huldah Thayer*, dr. of Dexter and Esther (Hayward) Thayer, b. April 10, 1805; cer. Mendon, 1825 or 6, by Rev. Simeon Doggett. Issue: —

Harding Thayer, b. Mendon, May 28, 1827; d. Feb. 1, 1828.

Dexter Thayer, b. Mendon, Jan. 21, 1829; trader; Pawtucket, R.I.; d. Sept. 12, 1866.

Frederick Willard, b. Mendon, Nov. 13, 1832; d. June 2, 1837.

Huldah Jane, b. Mendon, Aug. 5, 1840; m., 2d, Samuel W. Hayward, Nov. 7, 1877.

Caroline Margaret, b. Mendon, March 11, 1842; m. Edward S. Worthen.

Mr. Chilson purchased of Alexander Ballou, about the yr. 1850, the Martin Stoddard place in So. Mil., where he quietly spent the evening of his days. He was a prudent and thrifty economist, laid up a handsome competence, was one of our substantial citizens, and d., enjoying the general respect of the community, April 25, 1876. Mrs. Huldah, his wid., now resides near her chn., 202 Main St., in comfortable circumstances.

CHILSON, Albert Gary, a nephew of the preceding, son of Asa and Elizabeth (Cook) Chilson, b. Mendon, Jan. 5, 1835; an ingenious furniture painter, etc.; m., 1st, *Abbie B. Murray*, dr. of Daniel and Margaret (Gore)

Murray, b. Dover, N.H., 1841; cer. in said Dover, 1861, by Rev. Mr. Rand.
Issue:—

Lillian M., b. Mendon, Oct. 11, 1862.

Edgar, b. Mendon, June 12, 1866.

Frederick A., b. Mil., April 4, 1872.

Mrs. Abbie d., 1872; and the hus. m., 2d, *Lucy H. Sanford*, dr. of John and Lucy A. Sanford, b. in Roxbury, May 12, 1852; date of cer. not given. Issue:—

Lucy A. M., b. Mil., June 2, 1876.

Albert W., b. Mil., March 17, 1880.

Present res. Mill St., near Mendon line.

CLAFLIN. The Claflins have been more or less prominent in Mil. for over 80 yrs. They came directly or indirectly from Hop. They are said to be of Scotch extraction, and their ancestors may have been among the Scotch immigrants who helped to settle Hop. at an early period. Daggett's "Attleboro'" states that one Antipas Claflin, wf., and chn., from Sudbury, settled in that town about the year 1717. It further states that the name was formerly McClaflin, and sometimes spelled McClothlin. I saw in the old Middlesex records the name McCloghlin, or one very like it, which may have been the original orthography. Elsewhere a tradition is reported that the name was once McLaughlin, pronounced Macklofflin. Barry's "Framingham" informs us that "Antipas and wf. Sarah of Lexington (at one time prob. of Sud.) had *Sarah*, 1706; *Robert*, 1708; *Noah*, 1710; *Nehemiah*, 1713." Also "that Robert Macklofflin of Wenham had *Daniel*, b. Jan. 25, 1674." It is probable, though not certain, that this Daniel was the fr. of the Daniel whom Barry says was of Fram., and at one time in Hop., whose sons were *Daniel*, *Timothy*, and *Cornelius*. As the Hop. records show that there were *Robert*, *Caleb*, and *Ebenezer* there between 1730 and 1740, these may have been bros. or cousins of the Fram. Daniel. I leave their exact relationship to be ascertained by those who are willing to be at the pains of necessary research. As nearly as I can discover, our Mil. Claflins all sprang from Caleb and Ebenezer aforesaid.

Caleb m. *Mary Tilton* in 1735. Among his chn. he had a son Samuel b. June 7, 1743, who was the gt. gd. fr. of our Ethan C. and his cousins.

Ebenezer m. *Hannah Smith* in 1739. Among his chn. he had a son John b. about the yr. 1750, who was the gd. fr. of our Aaron. *That* Ebenezer had a son Ebenezer, who was the fr. of the late Lee Claflin, long of this town. I may now commence my tabulation with,—

CLAFLIN, John[2] (Ebenezer[1]), b. July 5, 1750; m. *Mary Sheffield* of Holl., perhaps in 1770 or 1771; and set. there on the Sheffield place, so called, not long after. Their chn. were,—

William, b. 1772; set. in Holl., not far from his fr., and d. Dec. 10, 1854.

Amaziah, b. 1773; m. Ede Watkins; set. in Hop., and d. in 1866, a. 94 yrs.

John, b. June 24, 1775; m. Lydia Mellen; set. in Mil., and d. 1848.

Polly, b. 1779; m. Col. Ethan Cobb, a famous innholder, Bromfield St., Boston.

Luther, b. 1781; m. Anna Rawson of Mil.; set. here, and d. here.

Martin, b. 1784; m. Hopestill Hayward; lived mostly in Mil., and d. here an aged man.

Calvin, b. Nov. 17, 1786; m. Hannah Barber, etc.; lived and d. on the old homestead.

Moses, b. 1789; m. Lucinda Clark; moved to Hubbardston, and d. there.

HANNAH, b. 1791; d. unmarried, May 8, 1822.

The mr. d. in 1821; the fr. m., for 2d wf., Wid. *Silence Pond* of Holl. date of cer. not ascertained; and d. Jan. 18, 1838, in the 88th yr. of his age.

CLAFLIN, JOHN, Jun., Esq.[3] (John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Holl., June 24, 1775; m. *Lydia*, dr. of Henry and Jerusha (Burnap) Mellen of Hop. in 1798, she having been b. Dec. 15, 1777; came to Mil. in 1798; res. 2 yrs. on the Noah Wiswall place, carrying on there the business of cordwainer; then bought about 40 acs of land, with its buildings, of Samuel Rockwood, the place recently occupied by Benjamin D. Godfrey, and lived there 4 yrs. He next purchased of his father the lot where the Mansion House now stands, containing about 4 acres, with the buildings thereon. There he kept store and tavern for 5 yrs. This was probably the first tavern kept on that spot. Thenceforth, steadily advancing in enterprise and increasing in wealth, he became one of our most influential citizens; shrewd and successful in public affairs as well as private; capt. and then majr. of artillery; invested first or last with the most responsible town offices; and holding, for 30 yrs. nearly previous to his death, a continuous commission as justice of the peace. His chn. were, —

SYLVIA, b. June 12, 1799; d. Nov. 21 of the same yr.

AMELIA, b. Feb. 3, 1801; m. Charles T. Eames, Oct. 9, 1828; d. May 11, 1845.

CHARLOTTE, b. Jan. 29, 1803; d. Sept. 15, 1866.

DIREXA, b. Feb. 27, 1805; m. Royal Southwick, March 7, 1827. He d. Sept., 1875.

AARON, b. April 20, 1807; m. Mary Thayer, April 17, 1828. She d. July 18, 1875.

JERUSHA, b. March 18, 1809; d. June 16, 1809.

HORACE BRIGHAM, b. Dec. 18, 1811; m. Agnes Sanger, Dec., 1838; a princely merchant in New-York City.

SOPHIA ANN, b. May 2, 1814; m. Samuel Daniels, June 14, 1837.

WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE, b. Sept. 7, 1816; d. Nov. 22, 1820.

Esq. Claflin d. July 10, 1848; his wid. d. March 19, 1868, in her 91st yr.

CLAFLIN, LUTHER[3] (John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Holl., 1781; m. *Nancy* (*alias Anna*) *Rawson* of Mil., June 8, 1809; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Nelson) Rawson, and b. March 21, 1785. I think their home was always Mil., and that he was mainly engaged in the boot business. Res. in the vicinity of the Parish Centre. Their chn.: —

WILLIS, b. Jan. 19, 1810; d. Aug. 27, 1830.

PARDON LUTHER, b. Dec. 18, 1812; d. Oct. 6, 1830.

GEORGE H., b. May 13, 1816; d. Sept. 18, 1830.

NANCY R., b. July 17, 1817; d. Jan. 7, 1831.

AUSTIN N., b. April 8, 1821; d. May 15 ensuing.

WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE, b. Sept. 8, 1822.

CURTIS LONG, b. March 12, 1825.

The fr. d. Dec. 28, 1851; the mr., Mrs. Nancy, *alias* Anna, d. March 28, 1863.

CLAFLIN, MARTIN[3] (John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Holl., Feb. 14, 1784; m. *Hopestill Hayward*, dr. of Jacob and Elizabeth (Thayer), Mil., Dec. 4, 1808; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. They dwelt mostly in Mil., and their chn. were, —

ISAAC SHEFFIELD, b. April 2, 1809; res. on the Day place; granite quarryist.

ELIZABETH THAYER, b. Oct. 13, 1811; m. Abner Adams; res. Hopedale.

Samuel Wilber, b. July, 1815; d. Nov, 1828.

Martha Matilda, b. Dec., 1817; a twin; d. young.

Mary Marilla, b. Dec., 1817; a twin; m. Willard Bragg; d. June, 1865. The mr. d. Aug. 26, 1849; the fr. d. Jan. 16, 1876, a. 92 yrs.

CLAFLIN, Lee, Hon.[3] (Ebenezer,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Hop., Nov. 19, 1791; m. *Sarah Adams* of that town, dr. of Elisha and Sarah (Watkins), Dec. 9, 1815; cer. by Rev. Isaac Bonney; set up the boot and shoe business and a tannery as early as 1819 or 20 in Co. with William Bailey, at the place on Purchase St. now owned by John Goldsmith, and thence rose from an humble beginning, by many judicious steps, to wealth and distinction. In process of success he removed his business and home to Hop.; attained to honorable positions in political, as well as financial and social life; was a devoted and steadfast Methodist from youth to old age; and poured many generous donations into the lap of his favorite denomination, as well as benefactions on the more general community. His wf. Sarah bore 3 chn.:—

William, b. in Mil., March 6, 1818; became Gov. of Mass., M. Congress, etc.

Charles L., b. in Mil., March, 1830; d. Sept. 5, 1830, a. 6 mos.

Wilber Fisk, b. in Mil., March 6, 1831; m. and set. in Hop.; boot-manufacturer.

She d. April 6, 1834. He m., for 2d wf., *Polly Jones Harding*, wid. of Lewis Harding, and dr. of Phinehas and Izanna (Jones) Eames of Mil.; cer. March 8, 1836, by Rev. D. Long. He d. Feb. 23, 1871; and a conspicuous monument marks the spot in Pine-grove Cemetery where his remains repose, erected by his sons. His venerable wid. still survives at this writing. I regret not having secured the family records of his two eminently worthy sons. The ex-governor's engraved likeness was fortunately obtained, which see.

CLAFLIN, Aaron[4] (John,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Mil., April 20, 1807; grew up under and succeeded his fr. in business; m. *Mary*, dr. of Capt. Rufus and Hannah (Parkhurst) Thayer, April 17, 1828; cer. by Rev. D. Long. He has devoted himself honorably and successfully to business, mainly in manufacturing boots, and especially as a wholesale dealer in that general line, managing, since 1842, a large and flourishing boot and shoe store in New-York City, and residing in Brooklyn much of his time. But he has constantly given Mil. a large share of his business, enterprise, and wealth. The numerous substantial edifices in our Centre, occupied under his auspices, or affording ample accommodations to other business men, together with public halls, etc., proclaim his deep interest in the thrift of his native town. Besides these, he owns and runs a large model farm of 250 acres on Silver Hill, with probably as much pecuniary benefit to others as to himself. This is his rural home, which he visits quite regularly from month to month, making such temporary stays as convenience and pleasure dictate. He is an expert at minding his own business, treating his fellow-creatures commendably, dispensing his benefactions unostentatiously, and thus insuring to himself a corresponding measure of respectful good-will. His memory is a most remarkable encyclopædia of town history, genealogy, and interesting facts. The companion of his youth and maturity departed this life, July 18, 1875. Their chn. are as follows:—

Fidelia, b. Jan. 31, 1829; m. Charles J. Thompson, Oct. 27, 1852; res. Mil.

Charles Francis, b. Sept. 16, 1830; m. Jennie Harrington, May 18, 1853; res. Mil.

George William, b. Oct. 22, 1832; d. Sept., 1869.

H. B. Claflin

MARY L., b. Dec. 12, 1834.

JOHN HENRY, b. Dec. 1, 1836; d. Dec., 1840.

JOSEPHINE BRAGG, b. Feb. 1, 1839; m. Thomas B. Thayer, June 1, 1859; res. Mil. He d. Feb. 10, 1881.

ADLA M., b. Oct. 13, 1841; m. Thomas M. Andrews of New York, Jan. 11, 1866.

HENRY AUGUSTUS, b. July 13, 1844; m. Adla M. Chapin, Jan. 31, 1867; res. Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mil. owes Mr. C. and family a high tribute of solid honor and gratitude.

CLAFLIN, HORACE BRIGHAM[4] (John,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Mil., Dec. 18, 1811; named after a son of Dr. Isaac Brigham, and gd. son of Rev. Amariah Frost, associated with and much beloved by the present Claflins, who d. in the flowerhood of his promise, Sept. 3, 1810; commenced mercantile business in Mil., 1832; went to Worcester to operate on a larger scale, Jan., 1833; and m. *Agnes Sanger*, dr. of Col. Calvin and Anna (Phipps) Sanger of Sherborn, Nov. 22, 1838; cer. by Rev. Amos Clark. Prospering in his enterprise, he went from Worcester to New York, July, 1843, and opened an importing and jobbing dry-goods establishment, which has had a gigantic growth to its present mammoth size. If his success in the accumulation of wealth be deemed enviable, the bereavements of himself and companion, in respect to their beloved chn., excite a friendly sympathy. Their chn. were, —

HORACE BRIGHAM, b. in Worcester, Dec. 25, 1841; d. Aug. 18, 1867.

WILLIAM BUCKLEY, b. in New York, Sept. 1, 1845; d. April 4, 1871.

JOHN, b. in New York, July 24, 1850.

AGNES SANGER, b. in New York, Feb. 9, 1855; d. June 10, 1857.

ARTHUR, b. in New York, July 29, 1859.

The estimation and renown of Mr. C. as one of the merchant princes of New York, cherished by a vast circle of mercantile associates and personal friends, need no magnification from my pen.

CLAFLIN, ISAAC SHEFFIELD[4] (Martin,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. Mil., April 2, 1809; m., 1st, *Adaline*, dr. of Joseph and Sophronia (Andrews) Mellen; cer. in Holl., May 15, 1832, by Rev. Mr. Fitch. She d. May 28, 1840; and he m., 2d, *Eliza*, dr. of Nahum and Anna (Chapin) Legg, Feb. 28, 1842; cer. by Rev. D. Long. Their chn. were, —

JOHN HENRY, b. Jan. 3, 1843; grad. Tufts Col. 1864; d. Feb. 27, 1869.

FRANK ADELBERT, b. Dec. 6, 1846; d. June 8, 1870, of overwhelming grief for loss of his bro.

ANNA ELIZA, b. Sept. 5, 1847; m. Francis Whiting, May 10, 1867; they have 2 drs.

Mrs. Eliza d. Jan. 23, 1851. The hus. m , 3d, *Lucy Ann Leeds*, dr. of John and Lucinda (Handley) Leeds, b. Thomaston, Me.; cer. June 2, 1854, by John Miller, Esq., in Warren, Me. Mrs. Lucy Ann d. Feb. 26, 1880. The two sons were very promising young men, and d. deeply lamented. Isaac has been a man of sore bereavement and many bitter afflictions.

CLAFLIN, SAMUEL[4] (Rufus,[3] Samuel,[2] Caleb[1]), b. probably in Hop., July, 1795; carpenter; m. *Sally*, dr. of Ebenezer and Keziah (Albee) Sumner, b. Mil., July 6, 1798; cer. Nov. 23, 1820, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. He res. many yrs., during the latter part of his life, in Holl., and d. there, March 24, 1873, a. 77 yrs. 7 mos. A plain, honest, hard-working, economical man. His worthy wid. d. in Holl., May 19, 1879. Their chn. were, —

Samuel Sumner, b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1822; bootfitter; res. School St., Mil. See in place.

Dexter Smith, b. Mil., Oct. 3, 1824; d. Dec. 27, 1832.

Elizabeth Keziah, b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1826; m. John Henry Miller, Holl., April 19, 1849.

Sarah Jane, b. Mil., April 6, 1835; m. Clark Littlefield Pond, Holl., April 18, 1855; d. May 4, 1874.

Aaron Eugene, b. Mil., April 14, 1844; m. Lucretia B. Aldrich, Woonsocket, R.I., Jan. 20, 1870.

The last named res. in Holl., where he is raising up a family. Later: Mrs. Lucretia d. in Holl. Aug. 16, 1879.

CLAFLIN, Samuel Sumner, the eldest b. of Samuel and Sally, m. *Mary Jane Thompson*, Jan. 14, 1851; cer. by Rev. Henry A. Eaton. She was a dr. of John R. and Malansa (Hawes) Thompson, b. in W. Wrentham, Jan. 23, 1829. They have had no chn. They res. in Mil., on School St., and are of good repute.

CLAFLIN, Rufus[4] (Rufus,[3] Samuel,[2] Caleb[1]), b. Hop., Nov. 6, 1803. He was an excellent musician in martial bands and social glee performances; a patriotic and good citizen. He m., 1st, *Sophia*, dr. of Alexander and Lovice (Bowker) Cheney, Mil., Oct. 24, 1824; cer. by the writer. She bore him several chn., and d. Oct. 16, 1848. He m., 2d, *Sylvania K.*, dr. of Newell Nelson, Esq., and wf. Betsey (Kelly), Oct. 7, 1849; cer. by the writer. His chn., all by 1st wf., were, —

Ethan Cobb, b. Jan. 6, 1825; our well-known thread merchant, and respected town-treasurer.

Warren, b. April 20, 1828; d. at the age of 16 yrs.

Dexter, b. Feb. 13, 1834; m. Lucy P. Stone, July 23, 1852.

Alonzo, b. Oct. 27, 1838; d. Aug. 28, 1858.

Horace, b. March 14, 1832; d. at the age of 11 mos.

Augustus } (twins), b., date not found; d. in early infancy.
Augusta }

Augusta, b., date not found; d. in early infancy.

The fr. d. May 15, 1878, and received due funeral honors, as an upright, kind-hearted, worthy man in the various relations of life. His estimable wid. still survives, and res. among us.

CLAFLIN, James Russell[4] (Rufus,[3] Samuel,[2] Caleb[1]), b. Hop., now Mil., Jan. 30, 1813; m., 1st, *Hannah Claflin Farrington*, dr. of Elijah and Puah Farrington, b. Mil., July 18, 1813; cer. in Hop., March, 1836, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Issue: —

Ellen Maria, b. Holl., March 1, 1838; m., 1st, Otis W. Holmes, June 16, 1859; 2d, Harvey Farrington.

Waldo, b. Mil., May 1, 1845; m. Mary E. Bement; res. Philadelphia, Penn.; 3 chn.

Emily Jeanette, b. Mil., Nov. 10, 1849; d. July 16, 1853, a. 4 yrs.

Frank Albert, b. Mil., Sept. 5, 1851; d. July 16, 1853, a. 22 m.

Frank Russell, b. Mil., July 1, 1857; unm.; res. Philadelphia, Penn.

Mrs. Hannah d. in Mil., June 3, 1864, a. 49 yrs. 11 mos. The hus. m., 2d, *Carrie (Taft) Thompson*, dr. of Caleb Taft, Blackstone, and wid. of George Thompson, Hop.; cer. Mil., Jan. 26, 1869, by Rev. G. L. Demarest. Issue: —

Wilfred Taft, b. Mil., Jan. 12, 1869.

Mr. Claflin and present wf. have res. latterly in the vicinity of (Chestnut Hill) Blackstone. They have recently, as formerly, suffered severe afflictions,

entitling them to the kind sympathy of their numerous friends. Worthy, upright, well-disposed people.

CLAFLIN, JOHN[4] (William,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Holl., April 5, 1810; mr.'s maiden name, Sabra Wiswall; long a diligent farmer in Holl. on his fr.'s homestead, but latterly a res. of Mil. He m. *Angeline*, dr. of Rufus and Hephzibah (Bolster) Claflin, a younger sr. of the forenamed Samuel Rufus and J. R. Claflin, and an admirable violinist. She was b. in Hop., Jan. 23, 1809; and they were m. in Holl., June 9, 1833; cer. by Rev. Elisha Damon. Their chn.:—

JANE MEHETABEL, b. Sept. 21, 1834; m. Granville T. Leland, May 30, 1854.

JOANNA HEPHZIBAH, b. Dec. 8, 1836; m. George W. Brigham, Dec. 28, 1857.

FRANCIS EVERETT, b. July 16, 1839; d. March 3, 1841.

SUSAN JOSEPHINE, b. Dec. 5, 1841; m. Amory Littlefield, Sept. 25, 1861; 2d, Henry Ware, June 29, 1873.

LOIS ANGELINE, b. July 22, 1844; m. Albert A. Bicknell, Jan. 28, 1866.

PLOOMIE SOPHIA, b. March 2, 1847; m. Thomas C. Richardson, April 16, 1869.

JOHN WILLARD, b. March 18, 1852; d. Nov. 27, 1854.

7 grandchn. not included.

CLAFLIN, ETHAN COBB[5] (Rufus,[4] Rufus,[3] Samuel,[2] Caleb[1]), b. in Mil., as aforesaid, Jan. 6, 1825; m. *Roxana S.*, dr. of Jedediah C. and Sophia Harrington, b. 1832; cer. Mil., Jan. 1, 1850, by the writer. They maintain a highly respectable standing in society. He is a reputable merchant in nice thread, silk, twine, and kindred articles, and has been for many years our implicitly trusted and efficient town-treasurer. They have but one child; viz.,—

ESTELLE SOPHIA, b. Dec. 12, 1851; m. Clarence A. Sumner, Oct. 18, 1871.

I am encouraged to hope that Mr. Claflin's likeness will appear in its place.

CLAFLIN, DEXTER[5] (Rufus,[4] Rufus,[3] Samuel,[2] Caleb[1]), b. Feb. 13, 1834; bootmaker, musician, etc.; m. *Lucy P. Stone*, dr. of Timothy and Betsey (Hayden) Stone, b. Feb. 16, 1834; cer. July 12, 1852, by Rev. William S. Heywood. Issue:—

CALLIE, b. Mil., Oct., 1852; m. Osborn M. Dean, Oct. 25, 1872; he soon d.

HARRY DEXTER, b. Mil., March, 1861.

Mr. Claflin was quite eminent as a musician. He served in the Union army in the civil war. See his name in the War Record of the Rebellion, Chap. VIII. He battled long and resolutely against disease, but d. Aug. 21, 1880. His merits were commemorated with due funeral testimonials. His bereaved wid. and chn. survive.

CLAFLIN, CHARLES FRANCIS[5] (Aaron,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b., as before noted, Mil., Sept. 16, 1830; well-trained for business; m. *Jennie Harrington*, dr. of Samuel and Nancy (White) Harrington, b. Worcester, May 21, 1832; cer. May 18, 1853, by Rev. Dr. James. They inherit eminent social and pecuniary rank in our community, and are meriting the honorable esteem in which they are held. He is too well known as a man of business enterprise and unostentatious generosity among us, for special commendation. Their chn. are,—

AGNES MARIA, b. March 23, 1854; m. Charles Davis, jun., Boston, Oct. 5, 1876.

CHARLES AARON, b. Oct. 23, 1856; m. Ella D. Battles, Joliette, Ill., Oct. 10, 1881.

SARAH FREELAND, b. Dec. 5, 1859; d. Oct. 29, 1863.

GRACE JENNIE, b. Nov. 3, 1866.

They have 2 *grandchn.* through their dr. Agnes; viz., —

AARON DAVIS, b. July 2, 1877.

CHARLES CLAFLIN DAVIS, b. Aug. 10, 1879.

Mr. Claflin has recently been elected president of the Milford National Bank.

CLAFLIN, HENRY AUGUSTUS[5] (Aaron,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. July 13, 1844; younger child of his parents; m. *Adla Maria*, dr. of Charles F. and Sarah F. (Spring) Chapin, b. Mil., Dec. 16, 1846; cer. in Mil., Jan. 31, 1867, by Rev. James Thornton; res. Brooklyn, N.Y. Their chn.: —

EVA, b. Jan. 12, 1868.

MARY, b. Jan. 27, 1873.

AARON, b. Oct. 3, 1876.

In business enterprise and social standing worthy of their progenitors.

CLAFLIN, CALVIN[3] (John,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. Holl., Nov. 17, 1786; farmer; always res. in Holl., on the old Sheffield-Claflin homestead; m., 1st, *Hannah Barber*, dr. of Hamlet and Rhoda (Ware) (Clark) Barber, b. July 17, 1788; cer. 1805; no further particulars given. They always dwelt in Holl., and all their chn. were b. there. I have thought it proper to present their family record, because they were intimately connected with our Mil. Claflins and other kindred families; because several of their chn., grandchn., etc., have lived more or less in town; and because they held much social intercourse with our inhabitants all through life. Their chn.: —

RHODA BARBER, b. Oct. 10, 1805; m., 1st, Dennis Holbrook, Mil., Nov. 24, 1824; 2d, M. Byrnes.

ETHAN COBB, b. July 28, 1808; d. in the flower of youth.

POLLY, b. June 18, 1810; m., 1st, Seneca Wenzell, 1832; 2d, George Blake; res. Holl.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, b. April 7, 1814; m., 1st, Polly C. Adams; 2d, Margaret R. Thompson.

HAMLET BARBER, b. Dec. 18, 1817; m. Betsey Curtis, Med., April 2, 1839; res. Med.

THOMAS WHITTEMORE, b. Aug. 19, 1821; m. Lucy Ann P. Walker, Holl.; res. not given.

HANNAH, b. May 22, 1825; d. April 25, 1829.

ETHAN CALVIN, b. Sept. 23, 1831; m. Amy Ann Winsor, June 8, 1853; res. So. Mil.

Mrs. Hannah d. Feb. 11, 1854. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary B. Ware* of Oakham, 1855; particulars not given. Mrs. Mary B. d. Aug. 18, 1868. Calvin Claflin d. March 28, 1871. The above-named chn., all by the 1st wf., now survive, excepting Ethan Cobb, W. H. Harrison, and Hannah.

Rhoda B. m., 1st, Dennis Holbrook. See their record under the name Holbrook. She m., 2d, Michael Byrnes of Holl.; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., by Rev. I. W. Woodin, Feb., 1851. 1 child, —

JOHN CALVIN; d. an infant, April 17, 1852.

They res. in Holl.

Polly m., 1st, Seneca Wenzell of Framingham; cer. at bride's parental res., March 4, 1832, by the writer. Issue: —

HANNAH CLAFLIN, b. March 29, 1833; d. Jan. 13, 1852.

EUGENE HAMILTON, b. Dec. 1, 1834; res. in Mil.

Mr. Wenzell d. June, 1854, a. 55 yrs. Mrs. Polly m., 2d, George Blake of Medway; cer., date not given, by Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide; res. in Holl. No chn.

William Henry Harrison m., 1st, Polly C. Adams; dates and particulars not given. Issue: —

Amos Fisher, b. March 19, 1836; m. Nellie Sherwin. They res. in Holl., and have 1 son, Lewis Adams, b. Med., July 11, 1865.

Mrs. Polly d., date not given; and the hus. m., 2d, Margaret Railton Thompson, dr. of John and Margaret (Hart) Railton, and adopted dr. of an aunt Thompson, all of Glasgow, Scotland. Her mr. d. when she was but 6 mos. old, and her fr. when she was about 2 yrs. She was brought over to Medway by the Thompson family at the age of 11 yrs., and was m. to W. H. H. Claflin in Med., April 28, 1839, by Rev. Dr. Ide. Their chn.: —

Polly, b. Sept. 19, 1840; m. J. B. Moore, Hop., July 27, 1862.

Margaret Hart, b. March 2, 1842; m. Waldo Phipps, Aug. 17, 1862.

Mrs. Margaret d. in Holl., March 17, 1861, a. 43 yrs. 4 mos. and 11 ds. W. H. H. Claflin suffered long from a cancer. He was disabled from business 3 yrs., and d. in Mil., Aug. 1, 1873, a. 59 yrs. and 4 mos.

Hamlet was m. to Betsey Curtis, Med., April 2, 1839, by Rev. Dr. Ide. Their chn.: —

Calvin, b. Aug. 31, 1840; d. March 31, 1871.

Joseph Curtis, b. Sept. 26, 1842; res. Holl.

Eliza Curtis, b. Sept. 24, 1846; d. Sept. 13, 1865.

Thomas Whittemore Claflin was m. to Lucy Ann P. Walker of Holl., at Mendon, Feb. 8, 1842, by the writer. Their chn. were, —

Phinehas Adams, George D., d. young; George D., 2d, and Hannah Almira, d. young.

Present res. of this family unknown to me.

Ethan Calvin Claflin was m. to Amy Ann Winsor, Holl., June 8, 1853, by Rev. John Nichols. Their chn. were, —

Hannah Jane, b. Aug. 7, 1856; d. Nov. 24, 1858.

Helen Frances, b. Jan. 20, 1866.

Ethan C. and family res. in So. Milford.

Grandchn., 17; now living, 7. Gt. grandchn., 30; now living, 20.

CLARK. Our oldest Clark families were near neighbors, rather than townsfolk; though some of them became such.

CLARK, Theophilus, of Holl., is said to have been a son of Theophilus in Medway, who was a descendant, perhaps son, of Joseph of Medfield, who, with wf. Experience, may have been the parents of Hephzibah Clark that m. Dea. Gideon Albee in 1745–46. Theophilus, 2d, had, —

CLARK, Nahum, who res. on our border, and had intimate relations with our Mil. people, m. *Mary Stearns*, dr. of Jonathan and Beulah (Chadwick) Stearns, b. in our Precinct, Feb. 6, 1753; cer. July 9, 1772, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Jotham, b. Holl., Jan. 13, 1773; an intellectual genius and adventurer.

Beulah, b. Holl., Jan. 12, 1775; m. Artemas Albee.

Abijah, b. Holl., Sept. 1, 1776; m., 1st, Lydia Whitney, 1798; 2d, Judith Hayward, 1808.

Cynthia, b. Holl., July 1, 1778; m. Nathaniel Ward.

Theophilus, b. Holl., Feb. 16, 1784; m. Betsey Green.

Nahum, Jun., b. Holl., Nov. 27, 1786; m., 1st, Zilpha Thayer; 2d, Olive Fairbanks.

Lucinda, b. Holl., April 2, 1790; m. Moses Claflin.

The parents, and, after them, Nahum, jun., owned a farm just in the edge

of Holl., formerly, but later Med., on the old crooked road to Med., long since discontinued. They were connected with our Cong. ch., and, until 1812, attended pub. worship here. But about that time Mr. C. fell under censure for what the ch. deemed laxity in keeping the sabbath. He would acknowledge no sin in the case, and was finally cast out of the ch. Twelve yrs. later, when I came to know him and his wf., they had become Universalists. I ministered at both their funerals. He d. July 8, 1829, a. 80 yrs. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. June 14, 1840, a. 87 yrs. She was a sister of Lieut. David Stearns.

CLARK, JOTHAM, as already said, was an intellectual genius, and quite an adventurer in quest of fortune. My friend Alfred Bragg gave me, some yrs. ago, the outlines of his biography; but my recollection is too indistinct to repeat them with decent accuracy. He was a particular friend of Col. Arial Bragg, and stood high in the estimation of many personal acquaintances. Two letters to his bro. Nahum, written from the far South, were left by Mr. B. in my possession; and, as they give some insight into his genius and character, I take the liberty to offer them to my readers. They are as follows: —

CHARLESTON, S.C., Dec. 13, 1822.

Mr. NAHUM CLARK.

Dear Sir, — When I saw you last, you requested me to write to you if I left Boston. Little did I think of writing from this place. I left Boston on the 4th of October, in the brig "Sarah Morrill," Capt. Lord, bound to New Orleans. Nothing interesting happened on our passage, till the 8th of November. We left Salt-Key Bank in the morning; and, about ten o'clock, we discovered a sail to the windward, standing down under a press of sail. We did not like her appearance, and made all sail possible, but found she came up with us fast. For my part, I watched them with the spy-glass till I felt convinced that they were pirates, and then went below, and put on two shirts and two pairs of pantaloons, vest, coat, and a new eight-dollar hat. I then put my watch in the spout of the pump. By the time I had done this, they had come so nigh us that we could plainly discover they were armed, and the deck covered with men. They fired a shot to the windward, and we hove to. They then manned their boat, and boarded us, armed with muskets, pistols, sabres, etc., drove us into the cabin, and tacked ship for Cuba. They then drove us out of the cabin into the forecastle, and shut over the hatch. We found our new lodgings to be very uncomfortable, — twelve of us stowed in so small a place, with but very little air, — and our burden of clothes soon made the heat almost insupportable. About eleven o'clock they ran the brig aground. Our feelings at this can better be imagined than described. Our last hope seemed to vanish with the shock. They then let go the sheet-anchor, but in a few moments cut her cable, and again let her drive against the shore. But, after some deliberation, they took the boats and crew of the ship "William and Henry" from New York, which they had captured, together with our crew, and commenced towing her off. About daylight, to our great joy, she floated; and before sunrise they permitted us to go on deck again. We found ourselves surrounded by two piratical schooners, one brig and one schooner from Boston, one schooner from Salem, and the above-mentioned ship. Soon after, we discovered two schooners standing into the bay, which proved to be the United-States schooner "Alligator," twelve guns, and the armed schooner "Plow-Boy." The pirates, on discovering these, left us, and took to their own vessels. The wind dying away at this time, "The Alligator" found it impossible to overhaul them, and manned

her boats, and pursued them immediately. We ran down under the stern of "The Alligator," and came to an anchor. We then got into our launch, went on board "The Alligator," got some muskets and boarding-pikes, and made all haste to join the other boats. But before we could come up with them, the action was over, which terminated in the capture of the piratical schooner that captured us. She was armed with one eighteen-pounder and six sixes. All the men but one made their escape in their boats, and joined the other schooner. The boats then attacked the other schooner, but found it too well defended with cannon and musketry to be taken with open row-boats. Capt. Allen of "The Alligator" was killed, with three others, and several wounded. The pirates had several killed; and some jumped overboard, and were drowned. They robbed us of every thing they could lay their hands on, and put it on board their vessel. They took every thing from me, except what I had on; and several had their clothing taken from their backs. The coast was literally covered with wrecks of vessels, trunks, goods, etc. We all arrived at Matanzas two days afterwards, lay there seven days, and then sailed for this place, where we arrived the 25th of last month for adjudication, and to settle salvage. I don't expect to get a single article of my property back again. The United-States officers seem determined to swear me out of the whole. There have already some harsh compliments passed between us on the subject. Dec. 21. I expect to leave here to-morrow for New Orleans in the brig "Sarah Morrill," in company with the brigs "Belvedere" and "Iris." We all go armed with muskets, cannon, pistols, etc., and are determined not to be taken again alive. Our reasons for this are as follows: We have good reason to think, if taken again, our lives will not be spared, and had much rather sell them as dearly as possible, than to be murdered in cool blood by these Spanish robbers.

Yours very respectfully,

JOTHAM CLARK.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 15, 1823.

Mr. NAHUM CLARK.

Dear Sir, — I have again taken the liberty to address you, as I am conscious, that, wherever I am, you will do me the kindness to interest yourself in my welfare. It gives me pleasure to inform you that I am here at last. I arrived here on the 6th of February, destitute of clothes, and but three dollars and sixty-two cents of money, — the remainder of ten dollars that a friend gave me the day I left Charleston. I landed near the market; and, as the business in that part of the city is mostly done in the French language, and not knowing that any one was in the city whom I had previously been acquainted with, I had a hearty inclination to attend to those great and important questions: What am I? where am I? and for what am I destined? While wandering up and down the city in this unpleasant situation, I met a friend I had formerly been acquainted with in Boston, whom I had heard died of the yellow fever last season. He left Boston in the same situation that I did, about four years since. He invited me to his house, and told me to stay there till I could get something to do to advantage. I accordingly accepted his invitation, and staid there about ten days, and then let myself to tend a flat-boat where they traded in bacon, butter, lard, etc., for twenty dollars per month. I staid there about five weeks, and then tended a shoe-store about as much longer, when I was taken sick, and confined to my room until the middle of May. When I got able to go out again, my old friend, Tirrill, proposed to set me up in the boat.

I accordingly accepted his offer; and he furnished me with about five hundred dollars, and I commenced business again on half-profit. We yesterday made our calculations, and found that I had cleared upwards of three hundred dollars. This pleased him so well, that he proposed to furnish me with groceries to go on a trading expedition to Bayo Sara. I think I shall accept the offer, and leave here for Natchez in the first steamer that leaves port, and go from Natchez to Bayo Sara. I think I shall return here again in the autumn, after the yellow fever is over. I wish you to call on Mr. Little of Boston, and get a quarto Bible and Buck's Theological Dictionary, and present them to my mother; and also get the New-York Magazine in four volumes, Paine's Works, Hymn-book, and some other books, which I do not recollect the title of now (for I lost my catalogue when I was taken), and keep them yourself. Mr. Little married David Brown's sister, and you will find him out by inquiring of Abel Brown. I should be glad to hear from you and all our friends to the northward. I have not heard one word from any of you since I left Boston. I wrote you from Charleston, and gave you some account of my capture by the pirates, which I expect you have received. I wish you to write me on the receipt of this, and direct it to the care of Joseph Tirrill of New Orleans; and also put me in a way to get a letter to and from my mother. Remember me to all our friends, and to my grandparents in particular. I proffer my warmest wishes to the Great Fountain of Honor, the Monarch of the Universe, for their welfare and happiness, — that he may through a long life crown with domestic bliss! And in bright cloudless skies may their last sun go down! Remember me to Col. Bragg. Tell him I should be glad to receive a line from him, and hear how he and his family are prospering. I like this place very well for business. The quantity of produce brought here from the upper country is incredible to a Northerner. There are about a thousand flat-boats and barges arriving here annually from the upper country, with very valuable cargoes of pork, lard, flour, etc. The flat-boats are generally from sixty to ninety feet long, and about sixteen feet wide, and will carry a cargo worth from fifteen hundred to three thousand dollars. I shall conclude with begging you to give Mrs. Clark my warmest wishes for her welfare, and accept the same for yourself.

From

JOTHAM CLARK.

CLARK, ABIJAH, the next oldest son of Nahum and Mary (Stearns) Clark, m., as aforesaid, his two successive wives, and set. in Becket, where, I presume, he d. I shall be able to notice but one of his chn.

CLARK, THEOPHILUS, the next oldest son, was many yrs. a citizen of Mil., in the Bear-hill dist. He m. *Betsey Green*, dr. of Moses and Jerusha (Wiswall) Green, b. Mil., Nov. 22, 1792; date and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Their chn.: —

NOAH WISWALL, b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1814.
MARY STEARNS, b. Mil., Jan. 13, 1817; m. Daniel Perry, Holl., Oct., 1839.
MOSES GREEN, b. Mil., Jan. 7, 1820.
SALLY, b. Mil., March 20, 1822.
BETSEY GREEN, b. Mil., Nov. 3, 1826.
THEOPHILUS ALBERT, b. Mil., June 22, 1830.

Mrs. Betsey d. Aug. 1, 1840; and not long afterwards the fr. and his chn. removed to Ill., to Galena or its vicinity. No further traced.

CLARK, NAHUM, Jun., the youngest son, lived and d., if I mistake not, on the

paternal homestead, or the near vicinity of Braggville. I cannot state with certainty how many chn. he had. I knew but one: —

ZILPHA THAYER, birth-date not ascertained; m. Moses Pond, jun., Nov. 21, 1838.

CLARK, ABIJAH STEARNS[6] (Abijah,[5] Nahum,[4] Theophilus,[3] Theophilus,[2] Joseph[1]), gd. son of Nahum and Mary Stearns; b. Holl., 1804; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Whitney; m. *Lucinda Partridge*, dr. of Aaron and Abigail F. (Pond) Partridge, b. Bell., April 5, 1804; cer. Mil., Oct. 24, 1827, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

HARRIET AMANDA, b. Mil., July 28, 1828; m. Heman F. Hersey, 1848; she d. 1868.

GEORGE ALBERT, b. Mil., Dec. 5, 1829; m. Louisa Blake, Franklin, 1852.

CHARLES EVERETT, b. Mil., March 29, 1832; m. Harriet M. Madden, 1855.

Grandchn, 7. — ELLEN HERSEY, HENRY HERSEY, EVERETT HERSEY, ALBERT HERSEY; NETTIE CLARK, CHARLES CLARK, ch. George A.; ALICE CLARK, dr. Charles E.

The fr. was a laborious carpenter and well-disposed citizen, who had a little homestead at the fork of Medway and Birch Sts. He d. there, March 28, 1864. Mrs. Lucinda, his wid., and her sons, survive him.

CLARK, LOVELL, son of Abel, a tradesman in Pomfret, Conn., and later in Woodstock; b. in Woodstock, Conn., Sept. 19, 1777; left an only surviving child at the age of 7 yrs., both parents dying within 3 ds. of each other; brought by his uncle Joseph Lovell from Woodstock to Medway, on horseback behind said uncle, immediately after losing his parents; lived with said uncle till manhood; m. *Mary Bullen*, dr. of Jeduthan and Dolly Bullen, b. Med., Oct., 28, 1774; cer. Med., May 15, 1794, by Rev. Nathan Buckman. Their chn.: —

ABEL, b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1795; m., 1st, Clarinda Kilburn; 2d, Amanda Albee.

CHESTER, b. Mil., Nov. 13, 1796; m. Mary Pierce, Mil., April 2, 1822; he d. March 7, 1841.

BETSEY, b. Mil., Nov. 14, 1799; d. Mil., May 14, 1800.

ABIGAIL LOVELL, b. Mil., July 26, 1800; m. William Ware, April 7, 1822.

ROSALINDA, b. Mil., Aug. 5, 1802; unm.; res. Mil.

KEZIA LOVELL, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1804; m. Edward Adams, E. Med., Oct. 4, 1829.

MARY, b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1806; d. Mil., March 16, 1807.

JOHN ADAMS, b. Mil., July 2, 1808; m. Dorinda Scammel, Mil., April 10, 1833.

NANCY, b. Mil., Nov. 20, 1810; m. Theodore Harding, E. Med., June 6, 1833; she d. Nov. 10, 1857.

DAVID, b. Holl., Nov. 26, 1812; d. Holl., April 30, 1814.

JOSEPH LOVELL, b. Holl., April 1, 1815; m. Anziana Maria Ide, April 16, 1843.

JOANNA, b. Holl., May 6, 1817; d. Holl., March 7, 1818.

Lovell Clark and wf. came from Med. immediately after mge., and took up their abode on the farm known in our time as the Eli Chapin place, now occupied by Fenner M. Inman. Mr. C. bought that farm of Benjamin Godfrey, March 19, 1794. There they dwelt 12 yrs., and then sold it to Eli Chapin. The next 2 yrs. they lived on hired farms in town. Next they purchased a homestead in Holl., and dwelt thereon 12 yrs. In 1821 Mr. C. purchased the ancient Isaac Parkhurst farm of Marvel Chapin, and set. his family again in Mil.

Hus. and wf. were steadfast members of the Cong. ch., and adorned their profession by exemplary lives. They were sober, upright, industrious, unostentatious people, and justly held in solid esteem. Mr. C. was a very strict observer of the Sabbath, and a devoted attendant on public worship. Nothing but absolute necessity would prevent his regular attendance on the services of the sanctuary. He was a most reverent supporter of Rev. David Long during his pastorate. Five of his 12 chn. belonged to the same ch.; and Rev. Mr. Long solemnized the marriages of 7 of the family. He and wf. Mary had 3 sons and 5 drs. b. in Mil., and in Holl. 2 sons and 2 drs. 1 son and 3 drs. d. in infancy; the other 8 lived to maturity. Of these, 7 were m., and only 1 remained single. 5 are now living, 3 in Mil. and 2 in Med.

Mr. C. and family had a most remarkable dog, — scarcely less pious than the rest of the household, especially in attendance on public worship, and deportment during the services. He equalled his master in punctuality and regularity. As surely as Sunday came and the Cong. bell rung, he gravely proceeded to ch., and posted himself directly under the pulpit, which was then supported by small pillars. There he remained during the services, invariably rising on his feet, as the congregation did, for singing, prayer, and benediction, and the rest of the time quietly sitting on his haunches, or lying recumbent. As to the Universalist ch. bell, he took no notice of it whatever, — having due aversion for the heresy to which it summoned the reprobate.

At length his master was tempted so far from the path of rectitude as to tire of the dog's company in the house of God. So he shut him up in close quarters at home during the hours of divine service. But this was too severe a privation for that canine devotee, who frequently made his escape, and repaired to his position under the pulpit, from which nothing but dire restraint could withhold him.

But he was getting old, and his master hired an executioner to despatch him outright. One Thursday the exploit was attempted in the barn where the dog lay asleep. A terrible blow, presumed to be effectual, was given him on the head, which wounded him badly, but failed even to stun him. He leaped in agony from the presence of his would-be destroyer, ran away from the premises, and was supposed to have died on his flight. Yet he survived; and lo! the next Sunday appeared at ch. again, to the astonishment of the family.

Poor abused worshipper! His master now relented, and tried to flatter him home with him, but could induce him to come only a part of the way. Finally one of the boys got him home, nursed his aching head, and it was unanimously resolved that his life should be held sacred. After this he lived several yrs., and attended ch. every Sunday regularly without molestation. Somehow at last he was lost on a journey to Providence, R.I., and never more found. Surely such a dog, if animals have immortality, ought to have a place among the blessed. The transmigrationists might plausibly claim him as a strong illustration of their doctrine. Anyhow, he was no heterodox dog.

Lovell Clark d., on his Purchase St. homestead, July 23, 1839. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. April 23, 1857.

CLARK, ABEL[3] (Lovell,[2] Abel[1]), b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1795; m., 1st, *Clarinda Kilburn* of Wardsbury, Vt.; ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. Oct., 1818, particulars not learned. I do not seem to find on our records any data relating to the issue of this mge. Mrs. Clarinda d. Dec. 2, 1824. The hus. m., 2d, *Amanda Albee*, dr. of Seth and Elizabeth (Lambert) Albee, b. Mil., July 26, 1804; cer. June 13, 1827, by Rev. D. Long. Issue, so far as I have ascertained, —

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Dec. 31, 1829; d. July 1, 1836.

ELLEN MARIA, b. Mil., Nov. 15, 1831; m. Asa Parker Miller, Oct. 1, 1849; res. Pittsburg, Penn.

LOVELL WINSLOW, b. Mil., May 8, 1834.

SARAH ALBEE, b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1836; m. Henry Alger; res. Ashland.

LAURA ANN, b. Mil., Feb. 26, 1839.

CHESTER, b. Mil., Dec. 15, 1841; d. Aug. 31, 1843.

Abel Clark[3] d. at his homestead on Dilla St., Aug. 23, 1867. Mrs. Amanda, his wid., d. 1868.

CLARK, CHESTER[3] (Lovell,[2] Abel[1]), b. Mil., Nov. 13, 1796; m. *Polly*, alias *Mary Pierce*, dr. of Nathaniel and Tryphena (Barber) Pierce, b. May 27, 1795; cer. April 2, 1822, by Rev. David Long. Issue:—

CHESTER, b. Aug. 24, 1824; d. July 3, 1833.

WILLARD, Capt., b. Dec. 5, 1829; m., 1st, Sarah Cheney; 2d, Amelia Rockwood; 3d, Lizzie Tucker.

EMILY, b. Oct. 31, 1835; m. Timri Thurber, July 28, 1858.

A worthy family. Mr. C. was a house-painter by occupation, and a respected citizen. He d., in the prime of middle age, May 29, 1841. His wid. still survives.

CLARK, JOHN ADAMS[3] (Lovell,[2] Abel[1]), b. Mil., July 2, 1808; farmer; m. *Dorinda Scammell*, dr. of Alexander and Ede (Daniell) Scammell, b. Mil., July 11, 1811; cer. April 10, 1833, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

JOANNA } b. Mil., May 22, 1835; d. immediately.
JANE SCAMMELL } (twins), b. Mil., May 22, 1835; m. Walter S. Haynes, March 15, 1854; 4 chn.

JOANNA MARIA, b. Mil., Dec. 14, 1836; m. Edwin A. Albee, Oct. 31, 1855; 1 child; res. No. Dana.

ELIZABETH LOVELL, b. Mil., Nov. 11, 1839; m. Moody T. Trevitt, 1860; she d. Feb. 4, 1861; 1 child.

JULIAN AUGUSTA, b. Mil., Dec. 12, 1841.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS, b. Mil., Oct. 26, 1844; m. Hannah Woodward, March 18, 1869; res. Spencer; 2 chn.

ALBERT BULLEN, b. Mil., March 19, 1849; m. Alma J. Tainter, Oct. 15, 1873; res. Westboro'.

GEORGE HENRY, Rev., b. Mil., Oct. 29, 1850; m. Lizzie J. Packard, June 26, 1878; Meth. clergyman.

J. A. Clark and family res. many yrs. on the old Caleb Cheney place, Congress St. Their more recent home is in West Medway. Worthy family, in less prosperous circumstances than formerly.

CLARK, JOSEPH LOVELL[3] (Lovell,[2] Abel[1]), b. Hol., April 1, 1815; farmer; m. *Anziana Maria Ide*, dr. of Timothy and Betsey (Allyn) Ide, b. East Providence, R.I., March 11, 1816; cer. Mil., April 16, 1843, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

LUCY MARIA, b. Mil., Feb. 25, 1844; res., unm., with parents.

CHESTER LOVELL, b. Mil., May 15, 1851; m. Lucetta Olive Hayward, Nov. 29, 1876.

ANNA ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Nov. 27, 1853; d. July 5, 1858.

Mr. Clark and family are among our worthy and substantial people. They own and occupy the paternal homestead on Purchase St. The spacious domicile in which the families of father and only son live was built by Marvel Chapin in 1815. It was in a large upper hall thereof that the famous Select Seminary was taught by Abigail Faxon Thayer, elsewhere noticed. Lovell

Clark purchased and took possession of the estate in 1821. The present dwellers there can point with pride to a venerable elm-tree, near the south end of their mansion, nearly 12½ ft. in circumference, which they claim must be over a century old. During a recent severe gale of wind and rain, a large limb with two branches was torn from it. One of these branches measured 55½ ft. in length, and the other 35 ft. They are nursing another vigorous elm at the north end of the house, which J. L. Clark says he set out there in 1849, when about 2 ft. high and the size of a pipe-stem. Its circumference is now 4½ ft. The future antiquary may have something to say of these and some other famous elms in town. They have, too, an old English pear-tree in their garden, 65 yrs. old, grafted with Bartlett scions in 1870, which now yields both kinds admirably.

Chester Lovell Clark, who is the mainstay of his fr. in business affairs, is quite a milk-producer, and supplies many customers. He and Mrs. Lucetta, his faithful helpmeet, have 1 dr.; viz.: —

Bertha Anna, b. Nov. 10, 1877.

CLARK, Capt. Willard[4]; no family record obtained. See War-Record.

CLARK, Dr. Lyman S.; pedigree untraced; b. Feb. 14, 1786, in Wayne Co., N.Y.; m. *Sarah (Johnson) White*, wid. of Ezekiel White; cer. in Thompson, Conn., Aug. 12, 1838. No chn. Dr. Clark was the fr. of several chn. by a former wf., among whom were, —

Lovilla B., b. Marion, N.Y., April, 1818; m. Daniel Johnson, 1840; she d. Nov. 26, 1857.

Rollin J. L. S., b. Marion, N.Y., June 9, 1822; m. Martha M. Warfield, Feb. 12, 1844.

I think there were other chn. who never res. in Mil. Dr. Clark res. with his wf. on the Ezekiel White place from his mge. in 1838 until his death, which took place July 14, 1864, at the age of 78 yrs. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. on the same homestead, very suddenly, Dec. 21, 1879.

Clark, Rollin, J. L. S., son of Dr. Lyman S., b. Marion, N.Y., June 9, 1822; m. *Martha M. Warfield*, dr. of Samuel and Martha (Johnson) Warfield, b. in Mil., Sept. 5, 1825; cer. under the parental roof, Feb. 12, 1844, by the writer. Issue: —

Ransom Jerome, b. Mil., Dec. 20, 1844; m. Sarah Adaline Johnson, Jan. 27, 1869.

Addie Etta Maria, b. Nov. 12, 1856.

Rollin J. L. S. Clark and wf. seemed to start on the voyage of matrimonial life under promising auspices of usefulness and happiness. He was an intelligent, capable, industrious man, and highly respected in the whole circle of his acquaintances, but in the midst of bright prospects was suddenly cut off, leaving his family in desolation and grief. He d. Oct. 17, 1857, in the 36th yr. of his age. His worthy wid. and chn. survive. His son, Jerome Ransom, b. and m. as above, has a homestead on Green St., and 1 ch., viz., Lilla Josephine, b. Nov. 30, 1871.

CLARK, William Johnson, M.D., son of Thomas R. and Fanny Sophia (Johnson) Clark, b. Andover, Vt., Nov. 4, 1843; creditably graduated and qualified for his profession, no doubt, though his returned family record is modestly silent about it; m. *Mary Alida Safford*, dr. of William H. and Emily E. (Robinson) Safford, b. Calais, Vt., Aug. 16, 1848; cer. in Boston, June 11, 1872, by Phillips Brooks. Issue: —

Helen Agnes, b. Mil., Aug. 22, 1874; d. Feb. 22, 1878.

I hear only good reports of himself and wf. He stands well in his pro-

fession, and wins fame as a musical genius. He has res. in town between 8 and 10 yrs.

OTHER CLARKS IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

CLARK, C. W., butcher. 1856.
CLARK, Charles, carpenter. 1856, '69, '72, '75.
CLARK, D. H., glazier. 1856.
CLARK, George, res. Main St. 1856.
CLARK, Joseph T., hostler. 1856.
CLARK, Ozro E., bootmaker, Howard St. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
CLARK, Patrick, grocer. 1869, '72, '75, '78; Mrs., '80.
CLARK, Nicholas, bootmaker. 1869, '72.
CLARK, John, bootmaker, brakeman. 1869, '75, '78.
CLARK, Charles T., machinist, Hopedale. 1869.
CLARK, Charles, laborer. 1869.
CLARK, Bernard, blacksmith. 1869.
CLARK, Charles, provisions. 1869, '72.
CLARK, Eugene, baggage-master. 1872, '75, '78.
CLARK, Henry, mason. 1872, '75.
CLARK, Francis J., bootmaker. 1875, '78, '80.
CLARK, Charles L., picture-frame maker. 1878, '80.
CLARK, Charles A., bootmaker. 1878.
CLARK, Mrs. E. L., fancy goods. 1880.
CLARK, Harriet, wid. of Peleg. 1880.
CLARK, William P., bootmaker. 1880.

CLEMENT, James Hazen, son of Jesse and Elizabeth (Ayer) Clement, b. Haverhill, Sept. 14, 1822; m. *Clara Erskine*, dr. of John and Harriet Bethiah (Godfrey) Erskine, b. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 28, 1834; cer. in Mil., Aug. 2, 1852, by Rev. James T. Woodbury. Issue:—

Frank, b. Haverhill, Oct. 7, 1853.
George Colburn, b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1855.
Erskine, b. Mil., Oct. 16, 1857.
Hazen, b. Newton, Dec. 26, 1861.
Hope, b. Boston, March 16, 1875.

Mr. Clement has been a man of great and successful enterprise in business pursuits. Besides numerous property concerns, which, first and last, he has prosecuted profitably alone, he long stood at the head of our large boot and shoe manufacturing firm, entitled "Clement, Colburn, & Co." I do not know where else this firm operates manufactories, but they stand in the front rank here, and employ a host of hands. Mr. Clement has commanded great confidence in financial circles. He was a director in the Milford National Bank, and in the National Bank of the Commonwealth; also a trustee of the Five Cent Savings Institution. He was held in high esteem by his associates. Mrs. Clement, a dr. of the late John Erskine, Esq., is distinguished for her very genial deportment in domestic and social life, and especially for devotion to artistic literature. In this she has become, not only an amateur, but a connoisseur. Their homes have been principally in Haverhill and Boston. But Mr. Clement has been cut off in the ripeness of middle age and worldly prosperity. He d. suddenly at Mooresville, in the Pan-Handle district of Texas, June 30, 1881, in the 59th yr. of his age. He had a large cattle-ranch there, superintended by one of his sons, which he went out to look after. He had

previously experienced one or two slight paralytic attacks, and at Mooresville the third proved instantly fatal. His remains received due funeral honors at Haverhill, July 1 ensuing.

CLEVELAND. I have never heard of but one family bearing this name in town, — this one, however, eminently worthy and respectable.

CLEVELAND, IRA, b. in Dover, Dec. 21, 1777; a son of David and Rachel (Allen) Cleveland (ancestry no further traced); m. *Mehetabel Battelle*, dr. of Capt. Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, b. in Dover, Aug. 8, 1777; cer. in Dover, April 8, 1801, by Rev. Benjamin Carryl. They res. a short time in Hop., then Holl., and then bought the very eligible homestead situated on Magomiscock Hill, previously known as the Dea. Read farm. He set. thereon in 1806, and it has remained in the family possession ever since. Its most elevated point is the highest in town above the level of the ocean, being 637 ft. 9 inches. Chn.: —

IRA, Jun., b. Hop., Feb. 1, 1801; grad. B. U.; m. Frances M. Whitney, May 16, 1837.

MEHETABEL BATTELLE, b. Holl., March 6, 1804; res. unm. with her bro. Reuel on the homestead.

LINDA, b. Mil., Jan. 3, 1807; d. March 10, 1831.

REUEL ALLEN, b. Mil., June 7, 1809; res. unm. on the family homestead.

ALMIRA, b. Mil., April 2, 1812; d. Feb. 25, 1835.

WARREN AUGUSTUS, b. Mil., Nov. 15, 1816; m. Sarah Catherine McChesney; date, etc., not given. Warren d. June 5, 1782, leaving 1 dr., Kate Horton Cleveland, b. June 6, 1830. This dr. m. James O. Smith of Sheldon, Vt., June 25, 1873; and they have one son, Cleveland Weed Smith, b. Oct. 6, 1873.

IRA, Jun., Esq., grad. Brown University, 1825, with its highest honors, and was first preceptor of Milford Academy after its inauguration. He m. *Frances M. Whitney*, dr. of Timothy and Susan (Mann) Whitney of Wrentham, May 16, 1837; and they had 1 dr. named Frances Whitney, b. Sept. 14, 1838, and d. the ensuing Oct. The mr., Mrs. Frances, d. in childbed, Sept. 14, 1838. The hus. has remained ever since unm. He has long res. in Dedham; a member, if I mistake not, of the Norfolk bar; a highly-respected citizen; and was, at my last advices, president of two insurance cos.

From the foregoing, it would seem that our Cleveland family must ere long become extinct, except in one female branch, — that of Mrs. Kate Horton Smith, grand dr. of Ira, sen. Ira, sen., d. Aug. 6, 1852; his wf., Mrs. Mehetabel, d. Jan 2, 1826.

COBB, Capt. SAMUEL, pedigree and kindred particulars unknown to me. He m. *Margaret Hayward*, dr. of John and Margaret (Albee) Hayward, b. in Mil., 1754; cer. Feb. 15, 1804, by Rev. David Long. Capt. Cobb was then said to be of Bell.; and this must have been his 2d mge. No issue. He seems to have taken up his res. in town immediately after mge., and dwelt several yrs. on the premises since known as "Cobb Orchard," which derived its name from him. See Abandoned Home-sites, No. 7, Chap. XV. He is understood to have been the fr. of Col. Ethan Cobb by his first mge. Whether there were other offspring by that mge., I am not informed. He dwelt last in Holl., in a tenement of William Claflin, supported, in part, at least, by his son Col. Ethan. There he d. about 1820, between 80 and 90 yrs. of age. Mrs. Margaret d. in Mil., July 12, 1843, a. 89 yrs.

COBB, LEWIS, pedigree not found; b., perhaps, in Hop., about 1769; carpenter;

m. *Olive Madden*, dr. of Michael and Mary (Bullard) Madden, b. in Mil., June 1, 1777; cer. March 16, 1794, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Issue:—

ELMER, b. Mil., Oct. 4, 1795; m. Sylvia Johnson of Upton, July 22, 1820.

AMMON, b. Hop.; not found; m., lived, and d. Crawfordsville, Ga.; his wid. survives.

SALEM, b. Hop., 1800; d. in Shrewsbury, March 7, 1855.

EZEKIEL, b. Hop.; not found; lived and d. Crawfordsville, Ga.

All my inquiries concerning the 3 sons last named have elicited the little given opposite their respective names. Whether Salem and Ezekiel left families, I cannot learn.

Mr. Cobb was of an easy-flowing temperament and much good nature. He was a very entertaining story-teller, and brimful of amusing yarns, many of which I used to hear him tell in my boyhood, when, for a few months, we chanced to live under the same roof at a cotton-factory establishment near Woonsocket, R.I. His wf., however, was the man of the house, with a pair of sharp black eyes, and a still sharper voice, that made things move. They were well-disposed people, and their chn. after them. Mr. C. d. in Hop., June 19, 1837; and I ministered at his funeral. Mrs. Olive, his wid., m., 2d, Maj. Hachaliah Whitney, Oct. 9, 1842; cer. by Newell Nelson, Esq. Maj. Hachaliah d. Nov. 14, 1848, leaving her again a wid. She is said to have d. about 1 yr. later at her son's, Elmer Cobb.

COBB, ELMER, eldest son of Lewis and Olive (Madden) Cobb, b. in Mil., Oct. 4, 1795; carpenter; m. *Sylvia Johnson*, dr. of Wilder and Thirza (Benson) Johnson, b. in Upton, Nov. 10, 1800; cer. in Upton, July 22, 1820, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Their chn.:—

ELMIRA, b. in Mil., June 13, 1821; m. Lemuel Morse, Jan. 6, 1853; res. Upton.

SARAH, b. in Mil., May 2, 1824; m. Leonard Fairbanks, Aug. 15, 1847. She d. March 28, 1858.

Mr. Cobb and wf. were among our most worthy and reliable people, but extremely unpretentious and quiet. He served one term on our board of selectmen, and one as overseer of the poor. He d. July 22, 1869, a. 73 yrs. and 7 mos. Mrs. Sylvia, his wid., d. in Upton, Aug. 5, 1879, a. 78 yrs. 8 mos. and 25 ds. Her remains were brought to Mil. for funeral services and burial.

COBURN. There are plenty of this name in some of our neighboring towns, but only two or three have ever been numbered among our citizens. The only one of these who has furnished me his family record is —

COBURN, AUGUSTUS A.[3] (Capt. Augustus,[2] Capt. Peter[1]); ancestry no further traced; b. in Dracut, Aug. 15, 1839; m. *Mary E. Atkinson*, dr. of Thomas and Mary R. Atkinson, b. in Cambridge, July 15, 1838; cer. in Boston, June 19, 1865, by Rev. Calvin Lincoln of Hingham. Issue:—

HARRY ATKINSON, b. July 1, 1866.

HATTIE MORTON, b. Nov. 14, 1870.

Mr. Coburn furnishes me the following genealogical data concerning his gd. fr.'s and his fr.'s families:—

Capt. Peter Coburn, his gd. fr., farmer, was b. in Dracut, Dec. 18, 1764. He m. Elizabeth Poor of So. Andover, b. Jan. 4, 1766; cer. 1783, by Rev. Mr. French. They had in Dracut 11 chn., most of whom lived to m., and raise up families. Capt. Peter d. Feb. 12, 1832. His wid. d. Nov. 26, 1841. Capt. Augustus Coburn, youngest son of Capt. Peter, was b. in Dracut, March 22, 1806; was a merchant; m. Phebe B. Ames of Dracut, dr. of Daniel and Mary (Barker)

Ames, b. Jan. 17, 1815; cer. Nov. 13, 1834, by Rev. Nathaniel Lawrence. Their chn. were, —

Henry P., b. in Dracut, Aug. 21, 1835; m., 1st, Elizabeth S. Wallace, and, 2d, Anna Hoyt.

Augustus A., b. in Dracut, Aug. 15, 1839; m. Mary E. Atkinson.

Mary A., b. in Dracut, Nov. 15, 1840; m. George B. Brown.

Jennie P., b. in Dracut, Sept. 15, 1842; m. —— Haiden.

Pascal, b. in Dracut, Dec. 22, 1847; m. Agnes J. Graves.

Daniel R., b. in Dracut, Aug. 12, 1849; d. Feb. 26, 1850.

Hattie E., b. in Dracut, Dec. 12, 1855; d. May 9, 1857.

Capt. Augustus still lives in Dracut. Mrs. Phebe, his wf., d. June 19, 1877.

Capt. Peter Coburn, the gd. fr., was in command of a co. from Dracut at the battle of Bunker Hill. I have omitted the names, birth-dates, mges., etc., of his chn., though furnished me with considerable pains by the gd. son.

A. A. Coburn, our townsman, must have taken up his res. in Mil. some 15 yrs. or more ago. He is one of our honorable, enterprising, and trustworthy merchants in the dry-goods line. He is very popular with his numerous customers, and eminently reliable in all his dealings. The social standing of himself and family is highly respectable.

COCHRAN, John Joseph, M.D., son of John and Mary E. (Middleton) Cochran, b. Mil., June 24, 1853; one of our high-school graduates. Oct., 1872, entered College of Physicians and Surgeons, Medical Department of Columbia Coll. in New-York City, and grad. therefrom as M.D., March, 1875. He then became a successfully examined competitor for a position on the staff of Bellevue Hospital in that city; was appointed first junior assistant, then senior, and then house physician in that hospital, and closed service there, Oct., 1876. He was then appointed ambulance surgeon in that institution, and continued such till Jan. 1, 1878. From Feb., 1877, to May, 1878, he practised his profession here in Mil. He next entered the U.S. army as acting assistant surgeon, for which position he passed a successful examination in 1879, was duly commissioned, and is now serving as such somewhere in the far West.

COCHRAN, Mary E., a sister of Dr. John J., is also one of our high-school graduates, as I suppose; has won an honorable reputation in public-school teaching, and is now officiating at the head of No. Purchase grammar school. The family record of John and Mary E. Cochran, parents of the above, would have been in acceptable order; but I was not favored to receive any more of it than here given.

CODY, Joseph, prob. from Hop., son of Isaac and Hannah, b. May 2, 1736; set. in the near vicinity of Bungay, on what has been in our time called the Partridge place, and, by wf. *Mary*, had, —

Mary, b. Jan. 23, 1760; m. Thomas Hiscock, June 6, 1782.

Martha, b. Sept. 7, 1761.

Sarah, b. July 7, 1763; m. Richard Hiscock, Nov. 16, 1780.

Anna, b. May 12, 1765; m. James Hiscock, Nov. 13, 1783.

Hannah, b. April 13, 1767; d. in early infancy.

Joseph, b. March 23, 1769; untraced.

Hannah, b. April 1, 1771; untraced.

This family remained in town some little time after its incorporation. I think he was its first constable, and was styled "Lieut. Joseph Cody." He was

a carpenter; and tradition says that he seldom used any measuring implement, but laid out his framing work by so accurate an eye that all his joints and mortises fitted exactly when his frames were raised. He prob. moved from town, perhaps to Hop., not long after its incorporation. I cannot trace him further.

COKER, THOMAS, came into town, and was taxed here 1810 to 1815.

COKER, WILLIAM, bro. to Thomas, came at the same time, and was taxed till 1814. They came from Newbury, and, I suppose, were bros. to *Mary Coker*, who became the 2d wf. of Artemas Thayer. Whether they had families I am not clearly informed, and so can give no record. They were ingenious mechanics, and carried on two kinds of business while here; viz., *wire-drawing*, and the *building of bellows-top chaises*. William left town in 1814, and Thomas in 1816, or not far from those dates.

COLBURN. Not many of this name have been numbered among our inhabitants. The first mentioned on our records were *Samuel Colburn* and his wf. *Mercy*. Nothing more is told of this couple than their deaths in old age. Whence they came, or where they dwelt, is not indicated. Mercy, the wf., d. Oct. 13, 1801; and Rev. Mr. Long, in his memoranda of deaths, notes that she d. in the act of milking,—of course, very suddenly,—a. 75 yrs. Samuel, her hus., d. Oct. 18, 1804, in his 91st yr. I conjecture that these may have been the parents of *Richard Colburn*, who then dwelt on the Ira Cleveland place, so called; but I have found no means of verifying this. Richard bought the aforesaid place of Dea. Enoch Adams, between 1798 and 1800. Adams had it of Dea. Ebenezer Read. Colburn sold it to Ira Cleveland, in 1806. He is said to have been fond of good cheer and lively times, and to have rendered his home a resort for sportive company. I am told that he was the fr. of *Warren Colburn*, the celebrated arithmetical author, who was a half-grown lad when the family left Mil., in 1806. If Richard was the father of Warren, he came from Dedham, and probably returned thither. He, and his wf., *Joanna*, had numerous chn.; but I find only one on record as b. here; viz.,—

LEONARD, b. Dec. 31, 1801.

COLBURN, WESTON, son of Alvah and Milly (Wood) Colburn, was b. in Tunbridge, Vt., 1779. His mr. was a sister of Rev. Benjamin Wood of Upton. She was of Hartford, Vt. At 21 yrs. of age, Weston came to live with his uncle Wood, in Upton. He m., 1st, *Anna Gage*, dr. of Moses and Mary (Boynton) Gage, b. in our precinct, March 29, 1779; cer. in Mil., July 19, 1804, by Rev. David Long. Their chn:—

DAVID GAGE, b. Franklin, May 25, 1805; m., 1st, Calista Adams; 2d, Lucy W. Taft.

ELIZA A., b. Upton, Aug. 26, 1807; m. Joseph T. McFarland, Nov. 10, 1835; 3 chn.

BENJAMIN WOOD, b. Mil., Jan. 12, 1810; m. Asenath M. Maynard, in Holl., June 4, 1838; 1 dr.

PATIENCE BOWKER, b. Mil., July 31, 1812; m. Seth Gassett, Hop.; moved to Memphis, Tenn., and both d. there; 1 son.

AMORY HUNTING, b. June 27, 1814; unm.; d. suddenly in California, 1876.

ABIGAIL MARY, b. Feb. 17, 1817; m. Thomas Fay, Westboro'; he d. 1856.

JANE MARIA WOOD, b. Sept. 20, 1821; m. William S. Rathbon, Albany, N.Y., March 7, 1847.

Mrs. Anna d. in Westboro', Jan. 16, 1846, of a grievous cancer in the nose, a. 67 yrs. She had been somewhat famous, in her younger days, as a school-

teacher, belonged to the Cong. ch., and composed religious verses on the death of her sister, Patience (Gage) Bowker, and on Elijah Bowker's calamitous decease. These were printed, and much thought of by numerous friends. The hus. m. a 2d wf., in Nashua, N.H., name and other particulars not given. No chn. Weston Colburn was a carpenter by trade, a member of the Cong. ch., a great lover of music, and a good singer. He was never sick till just before his death. He seems to have dwelt in many different localities: first in his native town of Tunbridge, Vt., till 21 yrs. of age; then with his uncle, in Upton, a while; then, after mge., 1 yr. in Franklin; then on the old Gage farm in Mil. till 1822; then in Hop. 2 yrs; then in Holl. for a short time; then in Westboro', till the death of his 1st wf., in 1846; and last in Nashua, N.H., where he m. his 2d wf. There he d., March 5, 1854, a. 75 yrs.

COLBURN, DAVID GAGE[3] (Weston,[2] Alvah[1]), b. Franklin, May 25, 1805; mr.'s maiden name Anna Gage; m., 1st, *Calista Adams*, dr. of Moses and Ruth (Perry) Adams, b. Holl., 1806; cer. Holl., March 20, 1826, by Rev. Mr. Wheaton. Issue:—

NANCY E., b. Hop., Oct. 9, 1827; m. Clement Meserve, Esq., Hop., Jan. 4, 1854; 5 chn.

AUGUSTIN A., b. Hop., Nov. 17, 1828; m. Mary Waldron of Maine; 1 son, gone West.

MOSES G., b. Hop., June 30, 1830; m. Amelia Engley, Attleboro', July 12, 1831; 1 son.

MARY LOUISA, b. Hop., April 19, 1832; d. Westboro', Feb. 5, 1843, a. 11 yrs.

JAMES S., b. Hop., May 25, 1834; burnt to death by clothes taking fire, May 28, 1841.

MARANDA JANE, b. Hop., Nov. 30, 1835; m. William Patterson, April 3, 1855; she d. Norwood, 1868; 2 chn.

FRANCIS A., b. Hop., Sept. 10, 1837; d. in a fit, Aug. 1, 1838, very suddenly.

MARCUS MORTON, b. Hop. Aug. 12, 1840; d. April 4, 1842, a. 19 mos.

HENRIETTA, b. Hop., Sept. 27, 1842; m. Charles Millard, Springfield, Nov. 7, 1857; 2 chn.

JOHN M., b. Hop., March 27, 1844; m. Abbie Comey, May 20, 1874; 2 chn.

Mrs. Calista d. Feb. 9, 1857. The hus. m., 2d, *Lucy W. Taft*, dr. of Samuel Taft of Woodville; cer. March 20, 1858. No chn. Mrs. Lucy d. Aug. 24, 1880. Mr. D. G. Colburn is a carpenter, learned his trade of Capt. Josiah Bigelow, and has spent all his manhood yrs. in Hop. He has earned for himself the reputation of a substantial citizen, and the paternal head of a worthy family. He has been at the pains to collect and furnish me a large mass of information relating to the Gages, Colburns, and their posterity. I have embodied as much of it as I decently could, under the various family names and records, but felt obliged to omit many details, as external to the scope of this work. And I may have misunderstood his documentary data in respect to some families.

COLBURN, SAMUEL, from Dedham, baker, and wf., *Barbara B. (Mowry) Colburn*, were among the original members of the community at Hopedale. His ancestry remains untraced. His wf., Mrs. Barbara, d. very suddenly, in Dedham, at the res. of Israel Mowry, her fr., June 20, 1843. This Samuel Colburn was b. in Dedham, July 20, 1818. He m., 2d, *Mary Jackman* of Newbury, b. Oct. 8, 1811; cer. at Hopedale, June 23, 1844, by the writer. No chn. They now res. in the vicinity of Anoka, Minn. Mrs. C. has won somewhat of celebrity by her literary genius in poetry, and public addresses on reformatory themes.

COLBURN, DWIGHT, son of Jonathan and Betsey (Bacon) Colburn, b. in Dedham, March 9, 1798; manufacturer; m. *Aurilla Underwood*, dr. of Joseph and Chloe (Guernsey) Underwood, b. in Barre, 1803; cer. in Barre, Nov. 18, 1827. Their chn:—

GEORGE DWIGHT, b. Aug. 9, 1829; m. Anna Frances Clement, June 8, 1854.

ANGELINE AURILLA, b. Feb. 18, 1831; m. Charles Dewing, March 4, 1849.

JANE AUGUSTA, b. Dec. 10, 1832; m. James H. Putnam, April 12, 1876.

CHARLES HENRY, b. Aug. 16, 1835; m. Fannie Eudora Draper, Feb. 20, 1868.

HARRIET ELIZABETH, b. May 15, 1837; m. Benjamin Franklin, Jan. 1, 1862.

The gd. chn. of this family number 12, and all are living but 1. Of these, 4 were chn. of *George Dwight;* 4 of *Angeline Aurilla;* 2 of *Charles Henry;* and 2 of *Harriet Elizabeth.*

Mrs. Aurilla (Underwood) Colburn d. in Bell., April 1, 1871. Mr. Dwight Colburn, the hus. and fr., d. in No. Attleboro', July 27, 1874. Worthy family throughout.

COLBURN, GEORGE DWIGHT[3], (Dwight[2], Jonathan[1]; no further traced); mr.'s maiden name Aurilla Underwood; b. in Holl., Aug. 6, 1829; boot-manufacturer; m. *Anna Frances Clement*, dr. of Jesse and Elizabeth (Ayer) Clement, b. Haverhill, Aug. 2, 1835; cer. Haverhill, June 8, 1854, by Rev. Charles Tenney. They have res. in Mil. and Newton. Their chn.:—

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Mil., June 3, 1855; d. young.

CLARA ERSKINE, b. Mil., May 31, 1856.

MARY, b. Newton, Jan. 10, 1858.

GEORGE CLEMENT, b. Newton, March 24, 1874.

Mr. C. is a very enterprising and successful boot and shoe manufacturer, running one of our largest establishments in connection with the firm of Clement, Colburn, & Co., besides carrying on business extensively elsewhere.

COLBURN, CHARLES HENRY, bro. of the preceding, b. Holl., Aug. 16, 1835; boot-manufacturer; m. *Fannie Eudora Draper*, dr. of George and Hannah B. (Thwing) Draper, b. in Ware, July 26, 1847; cer. at the bride's parental res., Hopedale, Feb. 20, 1868, by the writer. Their chn.:—

HELEN LOUISE, b. Hopedale, Nov. 9, 1868.

ALICE DRAPER, b. Mil., Jan. 7, 1875.

A little family of eminent social standing, auspicious promise, and enterprising aspirations in the pathway of life.

All these Colburn families are said to have descended from two brothers who originally set. in Dedham.

COMSTOCK. Samuel Comstock is said to have set. in Providence, R. I., in 1662, and to have m. a sister of Benedict Arnold, first gov. of R. I. under the charter of King Charles II. He had a son Hezekiah, who is supposed to have had a son of the same name. The 2d Hezekiah is believed to have been fr. of Anthony, who had an only son Anthony. Anthony, sen., d. in Feb., 1763, a. 40 yrs. ANTHONY, jun., was b. soon after his fr.'s death, March 26, 1763. He m. *Hannah Southwick*, dr. of Edward and Elizabeth Southwick, b. in Dighton, Oct. 4, 1773; cer. Dec., 1790. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM, b. March 25, 1791; m. Abidah Hill, Jan. 15, 1815.

PHEBE, b. Feb. 7, 1793; m. Abel Aldrich; she d. 1879.

ANTHONY, b. Oct. 7, 1795; drowned in Blackstone River, June 2, 1818.

HANNAH, b. July 15, 1797; m. —— Wood; still living.

MARTHA, b. Nov. 17, 1798; m. Leonard Taft; she d. May 4, 1853.

EZRA, b. Nov. 1, 1800; still living in Upton.

OLIVE } (twins), b. March 25, 1806; m. Millins Taft; some time d.
ELIZA } b. March 25, 1806; d. June, 1841.

All these were b. on "the island," so called, near the present village of Blackstone. The fr. d. there, Oct. 23, 1809. His wid. subsequently became the wf. of Samuel Gaskill, Mendon. She d. Sept., 1862.

COMSTOCK, WILLIAM[6] (Anthony,[5] Anthony,[4] Hezekiah,[3] Hezekiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b., as above, March 25, 1791; m. *Abidah Hill*, dr. of Daniel and Mercy (Hayward) Hill, b. Oct. 9, 1785; cer. Jan. 15, 1815. Issue: —

The birth-dates of the older chn. not given. Of these I knew 3; viz., MERCY, DAN, and GILBERT.

WILLIAM GIBBS, b. now Blackstone, Feb. 3, 1827; m. Elma Ann Cook, Oct. 17, 1849.

The fr. d. July 22, 1830. Mrs. Abidah d. March 13, 1868.

COMSTOCK, WILLIAM GIBBS[7] (William,[6] Anthony,[5] Anthony,[4] Hezekiah,[3] Hezekiah,[2] Samuel[1]), b., as above, Feb. 3, 1827; mr.'s maiden name Abidah Hill; m. *Elma Ann Cook*, dr. of Joseph B. and Thankful (Benson) Cook, b. in then Mendon, now Blackstone, Jan. 29, 1827; cer. Uxbridge, Oct. 17, 1849, by Rev. Willard Holbrook. Issue: —

ALICE ARDELL, b. Hopedale, Dec. 10, 1850; music teacher; m. Sanford Phipps, Oct. 11, 1873; 2 chn.; res Somerville.

FANNIE AMANDA, b. Hopedale, July 4, 1854; public-school teacher.

Mr. C. and wf. took a lively interest in all the great reforms of the age. They came to Hopedale soon after their mge., became members of the Community, — faithful, devoted, and exemplary ones, — and dwelt on our domain from 1850 to 1869, some 18 yrs. Here they spent a memorable portion of their lives, nurtured their chn. to intelligence and virtue, and gathered lessons of wisdom. Mrs. Alma d. in Upton, Jan. 13, 1870. Her remains rest in our humble cemetery among our honored dead; but she and they are not there, — they have "risen." Mr. C. res. with his m. dr., Mrs. Phipps, in Somerville. He has employed himself many yrs. chiefly as a pedestrian peddler of various small articles of domestic convenience and utility.

COMSTOCK, WILLIAM HENRY, mostly of Mendon, but at one time of Mil., belongs to another branch of the same general stock. I am not furnished with the authentic data of his family record; but, from partial personal knowledge, I may simply state that he was a son of Henry Comstock, b. in Smithfield, R.I., and m., for his 1st wf., *Chloe M. Barber* of So. Bell., dr. of Calvin Barber. They had several chn.; viz., CHLOE MARIA, who. d. in infancy, Dec. 29, 1838, a. 19 mos.; WILLIAM HENRY, jun., m. Melissa M. Perry, Jan. 10, 1856; and DE WITT C. BARBER, who m. Lizzie Ann Tibbetts, Nov. 4, 1870. I think he had one or two other chn., of whom I have no certain information. Mrs. Chloe d. in Mendon, Aug. 5, 1872, in her 59th yr. The hus. has been twice m. since, but I am not in command of names and dates.

COOK. We have several lineages of Cooks in our present population, the most numerous of which is traceable to Walter Cook from Weymouth, one of the original Mendon proprietors and settlers. He came to Mendon town-seat about 1663 or 1664, with three sons, and two other Cooks, Gregory and Stephen, supposed to have been his bros. However this may have been, these two remained in Mendon only a few years, and then set. in the neighborhood of Cambridge, afterwards Newton. I have taken considerable pains to trace the ancestry of Walter Cook, but failed. The name Cook, having been derived from the office,

or calling, of chief-victualler in the households of ancient feudal lords, is very numerous all over Europe, and especially in England. Hence the old immigrants of this name at Plymouth and Boston may, or may not, have been related by family ties. They were among the earliest in both localities. I must therefore leave it to some smarter expert to ascertain their genealogies. The first I learn of Walter Cook is, that he was of Weymouth, in 1643, and admitted freeman 1653. He next appears among the original proprietors of Quinshipaug Plantation, afterwards Mendon, where he set. certainly as early as 1664. His family then consisted of his wf. Catherine, and 5 chn.; viz., John, Hannah, Samuel, Nicholas, and Experience. Concerning these, and their descendants, I have incidentally gathered many interesting facts, which I am obliged to leave unmentioned in this work, as, perhaps, not strictly suited to its scope and limits. Walter Cook dwelt very nearly on the spot in Mendon where the late Aaron C. Cook died. He had an original 40-acre lot, with all its rights to future divisions of *common*, in virtue of which he and his sons became large landholders in various portions of the town, especially in the south-easterly ones adjacent to Bellingham, Wrentham, and the Rhode-island line. At that time the R. I. line was farther south than as afterwards settled; so that Mendon claimed what is now the northerly border of Cumberland, Woonsocket, No. Smithfield, etc. But within our limits the Cooks took up only small pieces of land. Walter d. at an advanced age, Jan. 5, 1696, surviving his wf. Catherine only 2 days. He left a will, which I found recorded in Suffolk Registry of Probate, B. 8, p. 88, and dated Jan. 16, 1694. It made his eldest son, John, executor. This eldest son appears to have set. in Uxbridge, and to have left but one son. I have not ascertained the extent of his progeny, but infer that it was comparatively small. Samuel set. in the south-easterly part of what is now Blackstone, and had lands now partly in Woonsocket, R.I. His posterity was more numerous. Nicholas set. a little more to the eastward, and extended his possessions into Bellingham for a considerable distance, even, perhaps, to the edge of Cumberland, R.I. His posterity was much more numerous than either Samuel's or John's. Most of our Milford Cooks are his descendants, as are those of Mendon, Blackstone, Bellingham, Wrentham, Cumberland, R.I., and Woonsocket. Peter Cook was the first of this name that became a permanent inhabitant of Mil. He came into town about the yr. 1808, as he then first appears on our tax-list. He had been of Mendon, So. Parish, now Blackstone, and had m. Amy, dr. of Darius Sumner, in 1805. Subsequently, in 1816, he purchased of Col. Samuel Nelson his large farm in what we now call South Hopedale. This included much of the ancient Nelson real estate, once owned by Capt. Seth Chapin, then by Josiah Wood, and then by the first Gershom Nelson and his descendants. I will therefore commence my family tabulations with, —

COOK, PETER[6] (Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Mendon, So. Parish, now Blackstone, Jan., 1778; m. *Amy Sumner*, dr. of Darius and Anna (Daniels) Sumner, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1784; cer. Oct., 1805, place and solemnizer not ascertained. The Dea. Nicholas above named was the first dea. of the Baptist ch. in Bell., one of the oldest of that denomination in New England. Chn. of Peter and Amy, —

CAROLINE, b. April 1, 1807; m. Stephen Sweet, Aug. 30, 1823.

STEPHEN, b. Nov. 23, 1808; m. Diana Hunt, Oct. 15, 1835.

AMOS, b. Feb. 19, 1811; m. Sarah Davis Hammond, Oct. 24, 1839.

PETER, jun., b. Feb. 22, 1813; d. March 25, ensuing.

AMY SUMNER, b. April 7, 1815; m. Carolus G. Jewell, July 25, 1842; res. Galva, Ill.

William, b. June 10, 1818; m. Adalaide M. Pease, April 19, 1863; res. Providence, R.I.

Lloyd Halsey, b. Jan. 2, 1820; m. Abby A. Rockwood, Dec. 13, 1849.

Firilla Sumner, b. May 6, 1822; m. Samuel W. Gilbert, 1845; res. Aurora, Ill.

Mrs. Amy d. Dec. 18, 1825. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Fisher* of Pawtucket, R.I., in 1831; ptge. and other particulars not ascertained. Issue, 1 son, George, birth-date not found; d. at the age of about 20 yrs.

Mr. C.'s mental faculties became partially deranged, even before his first wf.'s death, and waxed more so to the end of his life. He d. in the family of his son Amos, at the ancient Abijah French place, later Elihu Perry's, Oct. 5, 1856, a. 78.

COOK, Stephen[7] (Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Nov. 23, 1808; mr.'s maiden name Amy Sumner; farmer and trader; m. *Diana Hunt*, dr. of Pearley and Chloe (Albee) Hunt, b. March 16, 1817; cer. in the brick ch., Oct. 17, 1835, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Chloe Hunt, b. Feb. 2, 1837; m. Edward Walker, Nov. 29, 1855.

Stephen Alonzo, b. Jan. 24, 1839; m. Ellen Maria Nelson, Jan. 24, 1872.

Solon Sumner, b. July 16, 1840; m. Sarah Ellen Richardson, Sept. 13, 1862.

Edwin Hunt, b. June 4, 1843; d. unm., May 11, 1875, a. almost 32 yrs.

Angelia, 1st, b. July 28, 1845; d. a. 1 week.

Halsey Lloyd, b. May 10, 1847; remains as yet unm.; one of the firm of Cook Bros.

Angelia, 2d, b. Nov. 6, 1849; m. Edwin Bliss Taft, Nov. 25, 1875.

Adin Augustus Ballou, b. April 24, 1852; he was b. in Milwaukee, Wis.; a reg. grad. accountant.

A very worthy family. The hus. and fr. d. rather suddenly in Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 18, 1852, a. almost 44 yrs. He had removed to Milwaukee, in 1851, for improvement of health and business, but soon closed his earthly career in the midst of its meridian activities. The faithful wf. and mr. returned with her 7 chn., watchfully reared them to maturity; and they all proved blessings to her by filial affection and dutifulness. One lamented son passed over the river, and the rest survive with her to be the solace of her declining yrs.

COOK, Amos[7] (Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Feb. 19, 1811; mr.'s maiden name as above; farmer and trader; m. *Sarah Davis Hammond*, dr. of Uriel and Sally (Holt) Hammond, b. in Hampton, Conn., June 13, 1816; cer. at said Hampton, Oct. 24, 1839, by Rev. Mr. Sprague. They res. 3 yrs. in Mil., 6 in Hampton, Conn., and thenceforth in Mil. Their chn.:—

Henry Hammond, b. Mil, Oct. 18, 1840; m. Sarah J. Ayres, 1864; res. Albany, N.Y.

Sarah Sumner, b. Mil., July 17, 1842; m. Ira Smith, Jan. 14, 1869.

Alfred Amos, b. Hampton, Conn., Aug. 11, 1847; m. Rachel Olive Stingley, Jan., 1876; res. Williamsburg, Kan.

Mary Weld, b. Hampton, Conn., Aug. 12, 1857; d. young.

A kind hus. and fr., a strictly pious wf. and mr., and chn. of corresponding worth. The fr. d. Dec. 8, 1857. His wid. still survives, vigorous and active. There are 2 living gd. chn. H. H. Cook has 1 dr., and Mrs. Smith 1 son.

COOK, William[7] (Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. June 10, 1818; broker in Providence, R.I.; res. at one time in California; a successful business man, enterprising and respected; m. *Adalaide*

M. Pease, dr. of Thomas M. and Lydia A. (Vincent) Pease, b. Edgartown, April 12, 1842; cer. in Providence, R.I., April 19, 1863, by Rev. Mr. McKenzie. Their chn.: —

Albert B., b. Edgartown, Feb. 10, 1864.
William G., b. New Bedford, May 25, 1865.
Nellie H., b. Providence, R.I., May 15, 1868.
Adalaide L., b. Providence, R.I., Aug. 10, 1870; d. April 28, 1872.
Madaleine M., b. Providence, R.I., May 16, 1873.

COOK, Lloyd Halsey[7] (Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Jan. 2, 1820; real-estate agent, justice of the peace, etc.; m. *Abby A. Rockwood*, dr. of Joseph and Ann (Chilson) Rockwood, b. in Bell., May 30, 1826; cer. in Boston, Dec. 13, 1849, by Rev. Alonzo A. Miner. Their chn.: —

Elwood Harvey, b. May 11, 1855; d. of cerebral disease by suicide, Dec. 23, 1874.
Percy Walton, b. Oct. 19, 1858; d. Sept. 23, 1863.
Clifford Ashton, b. Sept. 3, 1860.

A highly-esteemed but much afflicted family, hoping for the life eternal in the immortal world.

COOK, Stephen Alonzo[8] (Stephen,[7] Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Jan. 24, 1839; provision merchant, head of the respected firm, "Cook Bros."; mr.'s maiden name, Diana Hunt; m. *Ellen Maria Nelson*, dr. of Otis T. and Hannah H. (Taft) Nelson, b. June 19, 1847; cer. Jan. 24, 1872, by the writer. No chn. yet.

COOK, Solon Sumner[8] (Stephen,[7] Peter,[6] Stephen,[5] Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. July 16, 1840; mr.'s maiden name, Diana Hunt; an enterprising livery-stable keeper and master hackman; m. *Sarah Ellen Richardson*, dr. of John Strobridge and Sarah Ann (Johnson) Richardson; cer. in Cumberland, R.I., Sept. 13, 1862, by David H. Ela. Their chn.: —

Adella F., b. June 27, 1864.
Solon S., b. March 9, 1866; d. March 12 ensuing.
Infant son, b. July 15, 1867; scarcely lived.
Lillian S., b. Nov. 11, 1868; d. Feb. 14, 1869.
Walter R., b. Jan. 2, 1870; d. Feb. 14, 1876.
Herbert S., b. Aug. 7, 1872; d. Feb. 18, 1876.
Harry O., b. May 26, 1874.
Infant son, b. Aug. 28, 1876; scarcely lived.
Infant son, b. July 21, 1877; scarcely lived.
John Clinton, b. Aug. 4, 1878.
Infant dr., b. March 1, 1880; scarcely lived. Another son, 1881.

What a numerous yet death-desolated family! What a group of innocents transplanted to "the kingdom of heaven," of which Jesus said, "such are"! Sadder conclusion still, — Mrs. Sarah d. very suddenly of heart disease, April 10, 1881, a. 38 yrs. 1 mo. 7 ds., deeply lamented.

COOK, William Walker[7] (Joseph B.,[6] Pascho,[5] Ebenezer,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Samuel,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Uxbridge, March 21, 1820, son of Joseph Bartlett and Thankful (Benson) Cook; florist; m., 1st, *Abigail Draper*, dr. of Ira and Abigail (Richards) Draper, b. Oct. 24, 1819; cer. in Saugus, Feb. 2, 1842, by Benjamin Franklin Newhall, Esq. One son: —

Edwin, b. Uxbridge, May, 1844; d. in Ux., canker rash, June 9, 1846, a. 2 yrs. 1 mo.

Mrs. Abigail d. at Hopedale, July 27, 1847. The hus. m., 2d, *Nancy Maria Draper*, a niece of his 1st wf., dr. of Ira Draper, jun., and his wf. Nancy (Bullard) Draper, birth-date and place not given; cer. in Rochester, N.Y., Nov. 2, 1849, by Rev. G. W. Montgomery. One son: —

Edwin Laurie, b. Hopedale, March 29, 1857; m. Mrs. Elizabeth Maria Hooker of Charlton, Nov. 26, 1879.

William W. Cook was a devoted and valuable member of Fraternal Community No. 1, — an original one, — and afterwards permanently so of the Hopedale Community under its changed title. Both his wives were worthily in Community membership with him. Change of circumstances induced change of residence. He reports these changes of res. thus: "6 mos. in Milford, 6 in Millville, 2 yrs. in Smithfield, Woonsocket Falls, R.I., 3 yrs. in Uxbridge, 18 yrs. in Milford, 12 yrs. in Worcester, 2 yrs. in Paxton, and last yr. in Worcester." He is an experienced and excellent florist.

COOK, Cyrus[6] (Davis,[5] Dea. Ariel,[4] Eld. Nathaniel,[3] Dea. Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., Sept. 8, 1819; mother's maiden name, Abigail Ballou, half-sister of the writer; never m.; farmer; a conscientious moral reformer; joined our Community at Hopedale in 1846, remained a few yrs., resigned his membership, and returned to his native place, where he now res. A still, thoughtful, sober, upright man. Eld. Nathaniel Cook, his gt. gd. fr., was an early preacher to the ancient Six-principle Baptist Ch. in the northerly part of Cumberland, R.I., the writer's native neighborhood. He was the second pastor of that ch.

COOK, Alonzo Ariel[7] (Ariel,[6] Ezekiel,[5] Ezekiel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Mendon, Nov. 17, 1824; mr.'s maiden name, Joanna Cass; m. *Louisa Harrison Thayer*, dr. of Samuel and Keziah (Turner) Thayer, b. March 7, 1829; a very estimable woman; cer. in Blackstone, Oct. 15, 1850, by Rev. Michael Burdett. Their chn.: —

Alton Alonzo, b. Hopedale, Aug. 25, 1855; educated at Worcester Co. Free Inst. of Industrial Science.

Mayo Thayer, b. Hopedale, May 18, 1858; educated at same institution.

These sons are promising young men, and well qualified for business life; though the eldest is latterly afflicted with ill health. Mr. Cook came to Hopedale in 1849, joined the Community, also later his wf., both remaining members for some yrs. They have ever since res. here. He is an industrious, frugal, orderly mechanic, — a still, quiet, retiring man, of reticent habits, — now doing business at Mil. Centre, in partnership with A. C. Withington, in paints, oils, etc., 142 Main St. He has two bros. in Mendon; viz., Aldrich B. and Gilbert Cook. Their gt. gd. mr.'s maiden name was Jerusha Ballou, a sister of the writer's fr.

COOK, Ziba H.[6] (Ziba,[5] Ezekiel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Bell.; appears to have dwelt in this town about the yr. 1836, and to have buried a wf. here during that yr. He removed to Uxbridge, and d. there a yr. or two since. He has an aged bro., Nahum, still living in Bell. I have not at command in detail the data of his family record. His gd. mr. was the same Jerusha (Ballou) Cook mentioned above.

COOK, Welcome Ballou[6] (Zimri,[5] Daniel,[4] Daniel,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Mendon, Sept. 19, 1807; mr.'s maiden name, Joanna Ballou, dr. of Levi, Esq., Cumberland, R.I.; m. *Rhoda Wilcox Pickering*, dr. of Simon and Rhoda (Wilcox) Pickering, b. in Bell., June 12, 1810; cer. in Providence, R.I., Jan. 14, 1826, by Rev. David Pickering. They res. here some yrs., and had the following named chn. recorded by our town-clerk: —

ALLEN SIMON, b. Sept. 19, 1829; m. Jane Capron, Nov., 1852.
ARDELIA, b. Dec. 1, 1831; m. Martin Dewing, Nov., 1852.
DANIEL PERRINGTON, b. Feb. 11, 1834; m. Harriet P. Cromb, Nov. 25, 1856.
FRANCIS ADDISON, b. Oct. 21, 1835; m. Harriet Hunt, 1862.
MARY JANE, b. Oct. 16, 1840; m. Willard B. Phipps, 1872.
SARAH H., b. June 6, 1843; m. Clark C. Willis, April 5, 1865.
WALTER I., b. June 11, 1846; m. Elizabeth Curtis, 1872.
WELCOME EDWIN, b. April 21, 1849; m. Susan Cheney, 1872.
GEORGIE A., b. Jan. 4, 1853; m. Alfred R. Whitehead, Nov. 26, 1873; d. April 22, 1880.

This family have res. in Bell., Mendon, Mil., and, for the last 25 yrs., in (Farnumsville) Grafton. Mr. Cook has long been a laborious, trusty teamster and expressman. Worthy and reputable people, so far as I know or believe.

The *grandchn.* are the following: —

Allen Cook's chn., — ELTON K., ELMER E., and EARNEST J.
Martin Dewing's chn., — MINNIE C. and ARDELIA.
Daniel P. Cook's chn., — WILLIAM H., HARRY A., and EDITH M.
Francis A. Cook's chn., — ELLA M., JENNIE C., and FRANK H.
Clark C. Willis's child, — ROGER C.
Welcome E. Cook's child, — MABEL R.
Alfred R. Whitehead's child, — A. EARLE.
Walter I. Cook's child, — MYRTLE I.

In all, 15 grandchn.

COOK, BARTON BALLOU[6] (Zimri,[5] Daniel,[4] Daniel,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), bro. of the preceding, b. in Mendon, July 9, 1810; grocer; m. *Lovina Hayward Fisher*, dr. of Daniel and Anna (Hayward) Fisher, b. Upton, Nov. 10, 1813; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., April 23, 1832, by Rev. Stephen Cutler; res. in Mil. 35 yrs. Their chn.: —

JOANNA BALLOU, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 9, 1833; m. Francis N. Wood, Sept. 12, 1855.
JAMES OWEN, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Sept. 11, 1835; m. Harriet F. Aldrich, June, 1856.
AMASA FISHER, b. Woonsocket, R.I., April 15, 1838; d. 1839.
BRENTON BARTON, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 11, 1841.
HELEN MAR, b. Woonsocket, R.I., May 1, 1843; d. 1843.
ELBERTINE, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Dec. 16, 1844; d. 1845.
CHRISTOPHER POTTER, b. Mil., Nov. 9, 1846.
ELDORADO, b. Mil., March 4, 1849; d. 1849.

A worthy family. The hus. and fr. d. by his own act, under the deranging pressure of cerebral disease, at Ashland, May 1, 1877. His desolated wid. still survives, upborne under sorrow and enfeeblement by the Divine hand.

James Owen Cook, the married son, now res. in Mil., and is fr. of the following named chn., the grandchn. of Barton B. and Lovina H. Cook: —

ANNA GERTRUDE, b. Mil., Aug. 7, 1857.
ANDREW TEN EYCK, b. Mil., May 26, 1860.
WILLIE BARTON, b. Chicago, Ill., Sept. 14, 1869.
HERBERT OWEN, b. Hopkinton, July 20, 1873; d. Oct. 7, 1874.
GRACIE ELLEN, b. Ashland, Aug. 21, 1875; d. May 7, 1879.

COOK, Dea. AMORY BATES[6] (Horace,[5] Dea. Abner,[4] Eld. Josiah,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. West Wrentham, May 16, 1804; mr.'s maiden name, Lucretia Bates, dr. of Ezekiel, sen., Bell.; m. *Mary Hawes*, dr. of Samuel and ——

Hawes, b. Aug. 29, 1801; cer. in Franklin, by Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Emmons; date not given. Their chn.:—

Julianna, b. Feb. 19, 1826; res. with parents in unm. usefulness.
Erastus A., b. April 19, 1828; m. Mary C. Allen, July 1, 1849.
Levi A., b. Jan. 4, 1830; m. Sylvia T. Holbrook.
Orlando D., b. Aug. 14, 1832; d. Sept. 25, 1833.
Ellen E., b. Jan. 17, 1834; d. Sept. 10, 1837.
Sally R., b. Nov. 10, 1836; d. Sept. 9, 1837.
Ellen Eliza, b. Aug. 16, 1840; d. Sept. 25, 1842.
Mary E., b. Feb. 18, 1844; m. George H. Howard, Feb. 18, 1867; 2 sons.
Warren F., b. Nov. 10, 1848; m. Hannah E. Jackson, June 30, 1864.

Elder Josiah Cook, great gd. fr. of Dea. Amory, was the first pastor of the Six-Principle Baptist Church, Cumberland, R.I., where he then dwelt, just over the Rhode-Island line as finally established. He was succeeded in the pastorate by Elder Nathaniel Cook, before mentioned, who was Josiah's nephew; and Nathaniel was succeeded by Elder Abner Ballou. The Ballous and Cooks were main pillars in that ancient society, and built the somewhat famous old edifice known as "The Ballou Meeting-house." In that edifice I first heard preaching when a child, and therein preached my first sermon. Dea. Abner Cook, gd. fr. of Amory, though living two miles off in West Wrentham, worshipped there regularly, and was the last dea. of that church. I recollect him well, as sitting in the dea.'s seat, having with him, by his side, in sleek boyhood, his gd. son, the present Dea. Amory. But if the latter took his first lesson in deaconship under his venerable gd. fr., he did not long adhere to his doctrine of endless punishment; as he became a Universalist, and, later, a dea. of that denominational church in this town. He survives in a green old age, and the companion of his youth with him; though she has long been comparatively an invalid. The whole family have exemplified very reputable intelligence, enterprise, industry, frugality, and moral rectitude. The youngest son, Warren F. Cook, res. in the far West, has devoted himself much to education as a teacher, and is a licensed Congregational preacher. Dea. Amory B. came to No. Bellingham in 1837, and to Mil. in 1870.

COOK, Erastus A.[7] (Dea. Amory B.,[6] Horace,[5] Dea. Abner,[4] Eld. Josiah,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in W. Wrentham, April 19, 1828; m. *Mary Clymena Allen*, dr. of George W. and Charlotte (Partridge) Allen, b. in Medway, Jan. 5, 1832; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., July 1, 1849, by Rev. John Boyden. Their chn.:—

Ellen Maria, b. Bell., Dec. 10, 1850.
Lilla Annette, b. Med., April 26, 1856.
Cora Elmena, b. Med., Jan. 25, 1858; d. Mil., June 11, 1872.

Intelligent, enterprising, and exemplary; deeply wounded by the arrows of bereavement. The hus. and fr. followed his beloved dr. Cora E., Feb. 9, 1879, to the deathless continent. The survivors weep in hope.

COOK, Levi A.[7] (Dea. Amory B.,[6] Horace,[5] Dea. Abner,[4] Eld. Josiah,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in W. Wrentham, Jan. 4, 1831; m. *Sylvia T. Holbrook*, dr. of Lyman and Hepsibah (Legg) Holbrook, b. in Bell., Sept. 20, 1836; cer. Bell., June 11, 1856, by Rev. George N. Townsend. Their chn.:—

Addie E., b. Medway, Dec. 27, 1860.
Ernest L., b. Mil., July 22, 1865.
Bertha F., b. Mil., Feb. 21, 1870; d. July 13, 1870.

A family of similar character and experiences with that of the preceding bro. Mrs. Sylvia d. Nov. 11, 1870.

COOK, WARREN F.[7], of the same generation, lineage, and ptge. of the two elder bros. above named; b. North Bell., Nov. 10, 1848; devoted to teaching, and latterly to preaching; res. in the far West, Battle Mountain, Nev., or did in 1878; m., 1st, *Hannah E. Jackson* at Lamartine, Fond du Lac County, Wis., June 30, 1864; further particulars not given. Their chn.:—

JOSEPH AMORY, b. Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 24, 1865; d. Dec. 2, 1865.

WILLIAM JOSEPH, b. Lamartine, Wis., Dec. 19, 1868.

Mrs. Hannah d. at Lamartine, Wis., Dec. 27, 1868. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha A. Trowbridge* at Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wis., July 2, 1871; further particulars not given. One son:—

FRANK RAY, b. Ossian, Winnesheik County, Io., Aug. 3, 1874.

Mrs. Martha d. at Prairie du Chien, Wis., Dec. 15, 1874. A chapter of bereavements much like the preceding.

COOK, ALDRICH S.[7] (Reuben,[6] Dea. David,[5] Daniel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Bell.; date not given; mr.'s maiden name, Esther Holbrook; machinist; m , 1st, *Elizabeth Landers*, dr. of John M. and Eliza (Brown) Landers, b. in New York, April 5, 1830; cer. in Boston, Aug. 27, 1850, by Rev. Daniel D. Smith. Their chn.:—

WALTER S. V., b. Mil., Aug. 12, 1851.

HERBERT A., b. Mil., March 10, 1856; d. July 25, 1874.

WILLIE E., b. Mil., Sept. 27, 1858.

REUBEN V., b. Mil., Sept. 18, 1861.

GRACE ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Dec. 18, 1866.

ALDRICH S., Jun. } (twins), b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1871; d. July 14, 1872.
ELIZABETH L. } (twins), b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1871.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. in child-bed, on the birth of her twins, Dec. 25, 1871, a sad loss to her afflicted hus. and chn. Mr. C. has always been a hard-working mechanic, honestly struggling in the battle of life, with his full share of adversities, to provide for his household, and deserves the confidence of his fellowmen. He m., 2d, *Mrs. Miranda Clapp;* cer. Oct. 2, 1873, by Rev. Mr. Redding.

COOK, REUBEN H., a bro. of the preceding, lived several yrs. in town; but I have been unable to obtain his family record, and can, therefore, make only this brief mention of him.

COOK, IRA WARREN[6] (Clark,[5] Aaron,[4] Daniel,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Mendon, March 17, 1822; dwelt some time in town, and, I think, d. here; m. *Julia E. M. Wilcox*, dr. of Willard and Hannah (Gaskill) Wilcox, b. Mendon, 1827; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 17, 1844, by the writer. Their chn.:—

EDWARD EVERETT, b. Sept. 20, 1845; m. Flora C. Crocker, Nov. 7, 1866.

HENRY MORTIMER, b. Nov. 19, 1847; d. Dec. 18, 1869.

ANDREW IRVING, b. April 4, 1850; d. Aug. 27, 1872.

ISABEL CAPITOLA, b. July 12, 1859.

Ira W.'s mr. was also a cook; viz., Abigail[6], dr. of Stephen and Joanna (Scott) Cook[5] (Peter,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]); Ira W.'s death-date not given. Mrs. Julia, his wid., m. Hollis Pond; cer. June 16, 1872, by Rev. George F. Clark. They res. in Mendon.

COOK, EDWARD EVERETT[7] (Ira W.,[6] Clark,[5] Aaron,[4] Daniel,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Mendon, Sept. 20, 1845; mr.'s maiden name, Julia Elma M. Wilcox; livery-stable keeper and master hackman; m. *Flora C. Crocker*, dr. of William and Eleanor (Darling) Crocker, b. in Mil., Oct. 10, 1845; cer. in Mil., Nov. 7, 1866, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Mabel E., b. Mil., Dec. 15, 1868.

Frank E., b. Mil., May 2, 1873; d. Aug. 7, 1876.

COOK, Capt. Caleb[6] (Dea. David,[5] Daniel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Bell., Aug. 13, 1793; mr.'s maiden name, Susanna Legg; manufacturer of cotton cloth and other goods for many yrs.; m. *Margaret Pickering*, dr. of Ichabod and Margaret (Aldrich) Pickering, b. Mendon, April 23, 1795; cer. in Mendon, July 4, 1816, by Peter Wheelock, Esq. Their chn.: —

Aldrich Barton, b. Bell., March 14, 1817; d. June 25, 1818.

Emily Desdemonia, b. Mendon, March 24, 1819; m. Isaac S. Marcy, Hillsborough, N.H., 1839.

Emeline Dorcas, b. Mendon, Aug. 1, 1821; d. Aug. 18, 1824.

Aldrich Barton, b. Mendon, May 18, 1824; m. Julia Ann Knights, Norway, Me., 1845. Several chn.

Emeline Dorcas, b. Mendon, Dec. 25, 1826; m. Warren Lazell, Bell.

Adams Bacon, b. Mendon, Aug. 9, 1829; m. Ann Wyman, Hillsborough, N.H.; 4 chn.

Emeliza Denton, b. Hillsborough, N.H., Nov. 28, 1831; m., 1st, David Reynolds, Nashua, N.H., who d.; 2d, John L. Cook, So. Mil.

Ellen Denney, b. Hillsborough, N.H., Dec. 11, 1835; m. George W. Harris, Nashua, N.H.; 2 chn.

Capt. Caleb was a very intelligent, enterprising man in his day. When I first knew him, 57 yrs. ago, he was a manufacturer in what was then called Paine and Ray's Village, since E. Blackstone. He was my steadfast, life-long friend. He subsequently prosecuted his business in Hillsborough, N.H., for many yrs., and still later, if I mistake not, in Nashua, N.H. There he d. Aug. 27, 1871; and I went thither to minister at his funeral. Some yrs. before his decease, he res. a considerable time at So. Milford. His worthy wid. still survives, tenderly cared for by her chn., and when last reported was residing at Nashua, N.H. I knew Dea. David Cook, fr. of Capt. Caleb, and most of his chn. He was an aged man when I commenced my ministry; but I remember he came six miles to hear my first discourse in the ancient Ballou Meeting-house. His 1st wf. was Susanna Legg. They had 5 sons certainly, and perhaps, unknown to me, drs. Their sons were, —

Abner, b. Bell., June 20, 1778; m. Waity Pickering, 1799; he d. 1831.

Reuben, b. Bell., Dec. 7, 1780; m. Esther Holbrook; date not found. He d. 1828.

Abijah, b. Bell., Sept. 24, 1784; m. Roxey Holbrook; date not found; d. a. 85 yrs.

Lealon, b. Bell., April 3, 1787; m. Louisa Smith; date not found; d. 1836.

Caleb, b. Bell., Aug. 13, 1793; his family record above given.

Aldrich S. Cook, already given, is a son of Reuben. The numerous progeny of Abner, Abijah, etc., being all, or nearly all, outside my proper limits, must be omitted. The name *Lealon* is doubtless an early misspelling of *Leland;* for I have good reason to believe that Dea. David, who was a Baptist, meant to name this son after Elder John Leland, a very talented and celebrated Baptist minister of those days. Dea. David d. Feb. 18, 1836, in his 85th yr. Mrs. Susanna preceded him many yrs. She d. Sept. 21, 1797. He m. a 2d and 3d wf.; viz., 2d, *Elonia Holbrook* of Mil. in 1798, who d. Dec. 10, 1814; 3d, *Molley Aldrich* of Mendon; date of cer. not given; d., his wid., Dec. 31, 1848. Dea. David was a Revolutionary soldier; and his gd. son, John L. Cook, has furnished

me some unique and interesting documents relating to the experience of the veteran and his family in those trying times; but want of space obliges me to return them unused.

COOK, JOHN LELAND[7] (Lealon, *alias* Leland,[6] Dea. David,[5] Daniel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Sept. 18, 1820; res. So. Milford; chief occupation, sole-leather cutter in the town centre; m., 1st, *Mary Ann Hill*, dr. of Sylvester and Olive Hill, b. in Bell., July 18, 1820; cer. Hopedale, Nov. 14, 1844, by the writer; 1 dr.: —

EMMA L., b. So. Mil., March 1, 1848; m. Albert G. Brewer, Sept., 1870. They res. in Hop., and have 1 dr.: —

ELLEN C., b. A ril 7, 1872.

Mrs. Mary Ann's dth. date not given. The hus. m., 2d, *Mrs. Emeliza D. Reynolds*, wid. of David Reynolds, Nashua, N.H., and dr. of Caleb and Margaret (Pickering) Cook; cer. Dec. 27, 1857; no further particulars given. No issue reported. Exemplary and deservedly respected family.

COOK, ARTHUR, Esq.[5] (Arthur,[4] Noah,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. in Mendon So. Parish, now Blackstone, June 18, 1803; mr.'s maiden name, Philena Ballou, dr. of Levi, Esq., and Comfort (Thompson) Ballou, Cumberland, R.I.; m. Adaline S. Purinton, b. Oct. 30, 1814; cer. in Mendon, Feb. 15, 1831, by the writer. Their chn.: —

FLAVIUS MIRON, b. Feb. 6, 1832; m. Adelaide Betsey Morrison, Nov. 21, 1871.

DEALONTA MINERVA, b. July 12, 1833.

PAULINA ORINDA, b. May 14, 1835.

MILTON THOMPSON, b. Nov. 2, 1836.

MALTINA MARIA, b. Dec. 14, 1838; m. Alfred Augustus Burrell, Oct. 28, 1869.

AURILLA, b. Sept. 16, 1840; m. Hiram Alonzo Goodrich, Nov. 19, 1871.

SARAH ADALINE, b. June 30, 1844; m. Henry James Sawyer, Jan. 27, 1869.

PHINEAS NOAH, b. Feb. 21, 1846; m. Emma Martin, Nov. 4, 1868.

Mrs. Adaline d. Aug. 28, 1876, much esteemed and lamented. The hus. and fr. still survives at the age of about 79 yrs. He removed to Mil. from Blackstone, several years ago. I have known him, his parents, and the family connection, from my youth, and numbered them among my personal friends. He was one of ten chn., and the youngest but two. He suffered from infancy considerable infirmity in his lower limbs by reason of a singular osseous weakness, but was of excellent mental ability and intelligence; so that what he lacked in physical executiveness was counterbalanced measurably by intellectual capabilities. He was successful in scholarship, teaching, and qualifications for sedentary public business. He was honored by his fellow-citizens of Mendon and Blackstone with various offices of trust and responsibility, and served, I think, for several yrs. as a civil magistrate, always creditably to himself, and to general public satisfaction. His chn. inherited his intellectual traits, and the virtues of both parents. He is a descendant of Walter Cook in the youngest branch of the lineage; being a younger son of Arthur, sen., who was a younger son of Noah,[3] who was the youngest son of Nicholas,[2] who was the youngest son of Walter.[1] He has no grandchn. through his son Flavius M., one of our res. citizens; 1 through his dr. Burrell, named ALICE ADALINE, b. July 26, 1872; 1 through his dr. Goodrich, named JESSE MILTON, b. July 23, 1873, whose parents have recently removed to Providence, R.I.; 4 through his dr. Sawyer in Chicago, Ill., who will be given under the name Sawyer; and 4 through his son Phineas N., namely, WILLIE MARTIN, b. Aug. 28, 1871; d. Sept. 2, 1872; MABEL AURILLA, b. Jan. 5, 1873; MARY ANNIE, b. Dec. 29, 1873; and SARAH EMMA, b. June, 1875.

COOK, CLARK[6] (Ariel,[5] Ichabod,[4] Noah,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Mendon, March 3, 1817; farmer; mr.'s maiden name, Cerusa Cook: m. *Louisa Maria Allen*, dr. of Robert and Sarah (Gaskill) Allen, b. July 1, 1817: cer. in (Millville) Blackstone, Dec. 31, 1838, by Rev. William H. Fish. Their chn.:—

CERUSA ANN, b. Mil., Sept. 24, 1839; m. Rev. G. R. Bent, Jan. 1, 1859; she d. March 4, 1864.

MARY TERESA, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1841; m. Irving A. Elsbee, Nov. 6, 1869.

ORRIN CLARK, b. Mendon, Dec. 30, 1843; m. Hannah Ann Wilcox, Jan. 1, 1871.

FRANCIS WAYLAND, b. Mendon, Nov. 23, 1853; m. Annie Laura Doyle, Dec. 5, 1879.

Three *grandchn.*; viz., 1 through their dr. Bent, — FRANCES LOUISA, b. Sept. 27, 1859; 2 through their dr. Elsbee, — ROBERT EDMUND IRVING, b. Oct. 1, 1870, and MARY IDALENA, b. Sept., 1874; and 1 through their son Orrin C., — ROBERT ALLEN, b. Sept. 13, 1872. Their eldest dr., wf of Rev. G. R. Bent, went with her hus. in 1863, he being general agent of the Sanitary Christian Commission, to Camp Parole, Annapolis, Md. There, while distributing supplies to sick soldiers, she was taken suddenly sick, and d. at the end of 4 ds. She gained the respect and love of every officer and soldier by her Christian devotedness. The honors due to a dead officer were rendered to her remains before their return to the North.

COOK, ELBRIDGE GERRY[7] (Whipple,[6] Nathaniel,[5] Eld. Nathaniel,[4] Dea. Nicholas,[3] Nicholas,[2] Walter[1]), b. Franklin, Aug. 19, 1816; mr.'s maiden name, Lucy Darling, dr. of Dea. Samuel Darling, Bell.; m. *Joanna Wilkinson*, dr. of David and Thankful (Sayles) Wilkinson, b. Smithfield, R.I., March 29, 1820; cer. March 17, 1842, by Rev. Mr. Parker. Their chn.:—

AGNES LUCY, b. Mil., Dec. 21, 1843; m. George Thayer, June 12, 1867.

ORVILLE W., b. Cumberland, R.I., Jan. 1, 1846.

REVILO F., b. Blackstone, March 19, 1848.

EVA W., b. Mil., July 14, 1850.

ELBRIDGE W., b. So. Danvers, March 14, 1860.

EARLE D., b. So. Danvers, Nov. 1, 1861.

It will be seen by the birthplaces of their chn. that these parents have res. in several places since mge. Mr. Cook first came to Mil. before mge., and was engaged in the provision business. He afterwards kept the old Godfrey tavern a short time. I think he kept other public houses elsewhere after mge. Later he entered into the leather business. He has res. in Mil., Cumberland, R.I., Mil. again, Woonsocket, R.I., Blackstone, Danvers, Cambridge, and last in Mil.

Milton Cook, a bro. of Elbridge, with his family, res. in town several yrs.; but I am not in command of his family record.

I now come to a family of Cooks whose ancestry seems to be unknown to themselves far back. I refer to that of Mr. James I. C., senior publisher of "The Milford Journal." He came hither from Bennington, Vt., early in 1872, with his sons William H. and George G. Cook, who together purchased the "Journal" establishment of James M. Stewart. They have since conducted the same with much enterprise, ability, and success. William H. has represented the town in General Ct., won celebrity as chief editor of the "Journal," and distinguished himself in various ways by his political activity. His fr., br., and the family occupy a reputable social standing in town, individually and collectively, and are too well known in their several spheres to require special characterization. They trace their lineage no farther back than to Coleman

Cook, a farmer of Hadley, gd. fr. of James I. C. He m. Sarah Smith, and they had the following named chn.: David, Eleazer, Cynthia, Lucinda, and Coleman, — all of whom lived to a good old age, the last-mentioned being 88 when he d.

COOK, Coleman, Jun., m. *Eunice Green* of Springfield, and was a shoe-manufacturer in Hadley. Their chn.:—

Benjamin G., b. July 31, 1804; d. Oct. 25, 1856.
Mary Ann, b. March 10, 1807.
Eunice S., b. June, 1809.
William C., b. Jan. 27, 1812; d. May 28, 1840.
Francis H., b. Aug. 22, 1815.
James I. C., b. Oct. 13, 1817; m. Maria E. Robertson, Oct. 13, 1840.
Alexander S. C., b. Feb. 18, 1820.

Mrs. Eunice d. in Putney, Vt., March, 1837. The hus. m., 2d, *Mercy Derby*, who now res. in Chester, Vt. The hus. and fr. d. in Chester, Vt., Sept. 3, 1873. I desired more dates and particulars in the foregoing record, but have given all I received.

COOK, James I. C.[3] (Coleman,[2] Coleman[1]), b. Oct. 13, 1817; mr.'s maiden name, Eunice Green, dr. of Jeptha and Margaret Green, West Springfield, Mass.; printer and publisher; m. *Maria E. Robertson*, dr. of William and Christina Robertson, b. in Halifax, N.S.; cer. in Putney, Vt., Oct. 13, 1840, by Rev. Amos Foster. Their chn.:—

William H., b. Jan. 7, 1843; our well-known editor and publisher.
James Edwin, b. Nov. 7, 1844; d. Oct. 16, 1847.
Ella J., b. Oct. 21, 1848.
George G., b. Sept. 9, 1854; co-proprietor of the "Journal."

These chn. were all b. in Bennington, Vt.

COOKE. We have two families of eminence who spell their name with an ultimate *e*. I refer to those of the late Hon. Albert A. Cooke, and his bro., Dr. George L., long our popular surgeon-dentists. The latter furnishes me genealogical data going back somewhat obscurely to their gt. gd. fr., Noah Cooke, an early settler of Northampton. By consulting Savage's "General Dictionary," I find this lineage to have started on our shores with Aaron Cooke of Dorchester, made freeman in May, 1635. He joined a colony of emigrants that set. in Windsor, Ct., but moved to Northampton in 1661. He seems to have been a man of note in his day. He had several sons, and among them Noah, b. June 14, 1657. This Noah had two sons, — Noah, b. 1688, and Aaron, b. Oct. 3, 1697. I conjecture that one of these must have been the fr. of the gt. gd. fr. Noah above mentioned, though possibly another generation may have intervened. It is to be regretted that these links in the lineage were not ascertained. I shall, however, venture to give the lineage of our Drs. from Aaron of Dorchester, with two blanks for uncertainty of names between the Northampton Noahs. The gt. gd. fr. Noah had 8 sons and 1 dr.; viz., Noah, Amasa, Eleazer, Elihu, Timothy, Solomon, Andrew, Stephen, and Keziah; no dates thus far. The late Josiah P. Cooke, Esq., of Boston, was a son of Noah, and Rev. Parsons Cooke of Lynn a son of Solomon. Timothy was the gd. fr. of our Drs. A. A. and G. L. Cooke. His son Reuben was their fr.; and with his family I will begin my tabulations.

COOKE, Reuben[7] (Timothy,[6] Noah,[5] ——,[4] ——,[3] Noah,[2] Aaron[1]), b. Hadley, Feb. 6, 1794; farmer; m. *Sarah Smith Woodward*, dr. of Samuel and Naomi (Cook) Woodward, b. Hadley, March 5, 1799; cer. in Hadley, Nov. 27, 1816, by Rev. Dr. John Woodbridge. Their chn.:—

Albert Andrew, b. Warehouse Point, Ct., April 24, 1817; m. Maria Fidelia Talbot, 1842.

Perez, b. Hadley, Mass., March 24, 1819; d. May 24, 1827.

Mary, b. Hadley, July 24, 1820; m. Anson F. Talcott; d. 1845.

Timothy Parsons, b. Hadley, Nov. 17, 1821; d. July 21, 1835.

George Lamb, b. Hadley, Oct. 2, 1823; m. Emeline A. Clarke, 1854.

Samuel Woodward, b. Hadley, Sept. 9, 1825; m. Jane Tracy.

Sarah } (twins), b. Warehouse Point, Ct., June 8, 1828; d. April 22, 1845.
Sophronia } b. Warehouse Point, Ct., June 8, 1828; m. A. B. Fowler.

Mr. Reuben d. at Warehouse Point, Ct., April 29, 1840. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., is still living at that place.

COOKE, Rev. and Hon. Dr. Albert Andrew[8] (Reuben,[7] Timothy,[6] Noah,[5] ——,[4] ——,[3] Noah,[2] Aaron[1]), b. at Warehouse Point, Ct., April 24, 1817; m. *Maria Fidelia Talbot*, dr. of Wheaton and Ruey (Dennison) Talbot, b. in Leyden, Aug. 28, 1818; cer. at Enfield, Sept. 1, 1842, by Rev. Thomas Marcy. Their chn.:—

Albert Wheaton, b. Shelburne Falls, Sept. 18, 1843; see Rebellion War-Record.

George Phelps, b. Oxford, Oct. 28, 1849; a skilful dentist.

Charles Watson, b. Mil., Oct. 15, 1854; d. Aug. 20, 1855.

Ella Maria, b. Mil., June, 1860; d. April, 1861.

The honored hus. and fr. d. in our midst, Feb. 4, 1880. Mrs. Maria, his worthy wid., still survives. The following extracts from the funeral discourse, by Rev. G. F. Eaton, printed in "The Milford Journal" of Feb. 11, 1880, will supersede any biographical characterization I could give of Dr. Cooke:—

"Rev. Albert A. Cooke was born at Warehouse Point, Ct., in the year 1817. His early childhood, to the age of 10, was spent at Hadley, Mass.; after which he removed with his parents to Warehouse Point, the place of his birth. He was the eldest of eight children. His father, meeting with severe financial losses, and dying while the children were young, threw much of the care and support of the family upon him. He met the responsibility like a brave boy, and proved true to the sacred trust. This involved many sacrifices, perhaps none to an ambitious boy more difficult to endure than the shortening of his school privileges. Still, he was able to secure the common-school advantages where he lived, and to close his school-days with an academic training at our justly celebrated school at Wilbraham. His early religious training was in the Presbyterian church, of which his parents were both members. After his removal from Hadley, he was thrown under the training of the Episcopal and the Methodist-Episcopal churches. It was under the ministry of the last named that he was awakened and converted at the age of 18. At the close of his studies at Wilbraham, Bro. Cooke taught school for several terms at Suffield, Ct., Bordentown, N.J., and Feeding Hills, Mass. It was during his residence at Bordentown that he studied dentistry with Professor Kingsbury, now of Philadelphia. It was at this time, also, that he received a local preacher's license from the church of his choice, and, in company with Professor Kingsbury, held religious services far and near, in schoolhouses and farmers' kitchens. Full of enthusiasm, and perfectly devoted to his Lord, he wrought with untiring zeal. In 1840 he located in Chicopee, and entered upon the practice of dentistry, with the thought of making this his life-work, uniting with our church in that place, and identifying himself heartily in all Christian endeavor. He was chosen superintendent of the Sunday school, leader of a class, and was abundant in

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labors. Here he became acquainted with Miss Maria F. Talbot, — an acquaintance that ripened into friendship, and deepened into affection that has continued unchanged for thirty-eight years. They were united in marriage by Rev. Thomas Marcy at Enfield, Ct, in 1842. By the advice and counsel of friends, he, in the spring of 1842, joined the New-England Conference, called of God, as he believed, to the work of the ministry. In those early days the salary of Methodist ministers was small; and his first appointments were among the smallest, because, as his Presiding Elder said, Bro. Cooke, with his ability, could support himself where other men might suffer. His first appointment was at Feeding Hills, Mass., where he taught school during the winter months to supplement his scanty salary. He afterwards preached at Shelburne Falls, Chester Village (now Huntington), North Brookfield, Princeton, and Oxford. At Oxford his health gave way, and he was reluctantly compelled to retire from active ministerial work. That he was held in great esteem by all these churches is evident from many facts. When closing his two years of service at Chester, he was approached by his own people, and leading men of the town, and urged to remain as an independent minister among them; and, although he felt compelled to refuse this unanimous call, it was a pleasant recollection of a people endeared to him by the strong bonds of Christian fellowship. It was while living at Oxford that he was chosen, by common consent, to represent the town at the General Court; and he continued a resident of Oxford for two and a half years. Rev. C. W. Ainsworth, at that time (1851) preacher in charge of this church, deceased; and Bro. Cooke, whose health was somewhat improved, was called to Milford to fill out the unexpired term of service. His health again failing him, he decided to withdraw from further itinerant work, and immediately engaged in his former business of dentistry, in this town, at the age of 35. We shall not attempt to sketch these momentous years of this good man's life, — his prayers, his faithful preaching, his toil, his pastoral work, his public spirit, are all recorded in the Lamb's book of life. But we know those years were fruitful for good, and there are many who will rise in the great day, and call him blessed.

"For twenty-eight years Bro. Cooke has been best known as a prosperous, influential man of business. For twenty years he was associated with his brother, under the firm name of A. A. & G. L. Cooke.

"He was a lover of mankind. This led him, as we have seen, to devote his life, so long as ability was given, to the preaching of a glorified Saviour, — to active and strong endeavor to rescue men from the peril and ruin of a bad life. He early identified himself with the cause of the bondman; and all through those years, now happily passed, when it cost much to champion their cause, he was true to the slave. And when their deliverance came, he rejoiced as one of that goodly company who, by voice, pen, and active toil, had helped forward the day. He also identified himself with the advancing cause of temperance, — from earliest childhood to age a total-abstinence man, and one who has faithfully served as president of temperance orders, and as a vigilance committee for the prosecution of the rumseller. He was a pure-minded man, — thought, imagination, conduct, was chaste and holy. He possessed intellectual ability far beyond the average. As a student, all through his ministry he would rise before light, and, when his mind was clear and strong, would devote himself conscientiously to his studies. Thus his naturally strong mind became stronger; and, stored with valuable knowledge that gave force and weight to his spoken words, he held his own opinions, was able to clearly form

them, and to ably defend them when once formed. He was, therefore, a friend upon whom one could safely rely, or foe, if need be, for the cause of truth, that one well might fear."

COOKE, Dr. GEORGE LAMB[8] (Reuben,[7] Timothy,[6] Noah,[5] ——,[4] ——,[3] Noah,[2] Aaron[1]), b. in Hadley, Oct. 2, 1823; surgeon dentist; m. *Emeline Augusta Clarke*, dr. of Timothy P. and Emeline (Moulton) Clarke, b. in Spencer, Nov. 19, 1830; cer. in No. Brookfield, Sept. 20, 1854, by Rev. Christopher Cushing. Their chn: —

WILLIAM PARKER, b. in Mil., March 15, 1859; a promising dentist.

SARAH ISABELLA, b. in Mil., Feb. 13, 1861.

MARY THERESA, b. in Mil., May 24, 1871.

Dr. George has res. in town between 25 and 30 yrs., was 20 yrs. a partner with Dr. Albert in the dentistry business, stands deservedly high in his profession, is a devoted member and pillar in the Methodist ch., is held in honorable esteem as a citizen, and actively promotes all good movements which seem to him conducive to the elevation of society; in all which, I presume, he has the faithful co-operation of his wf. and rising family.

I will close this genealogy of the Cooks by stating, that, of the descendants of Walter,[1] I have married 57, and ministered at the funerals of 69.

CORBETT. Robert is the first of this name known in these parts. Savage says he was of Weymouth, and fought bravely in King Philip's war. He m. Priscilla Rockwood, dr. of John Rockwood of Mendon; cer. Feb. 23, 1682. He became much interested in the settlement of Woodstock, Ct., which for some yrs. was claimed by Mass. I infer that he took up his abode there, as I find him styled "Robert Corbett of Woodstock." I have sought to learn the number and names of his chn. The first Dr. John Corbett, in the north-west corner of Bell., declared himself Robert's oldest son, and speaks in the same instrument of his brother Joseph. He names no more. But Elder Daniel Corbett, first of Bell., and afterwards of our easterly precinct, must, I think, have been another of Robert's sons; though I have nowhere found his parentage mentioned. I shall, however, take it for granted. As the two Dr. John Corbetts of Bell. Corner, fr. and son, res. so near, and were so intimately associated with our population, I shall include them amoug our Corbetts, and commence my tabulations with the former.

CORBETT, Dr. JOHN, Sen.[2] (Robert[1]), b. Dec. 7, 1683; m. *Mehetabel*, dr. of Josiah and Mary (Twitchell) Rockwood, b. Oct. 14, 1686. The Rockwood genealogy says he m. as aforesaid; but Mendon records say he m. *Mehetabel Holbrook*, Dec. 23, 1703. I suppose the latter must be correct. Their chn.: —

JOHN, jun., b. Nov. 4, 1704; m. Hopestill Chapin, Dec. 27, 1727.

PRISCILLA, b. Aug. 14, 1706; m. Nathaniel Jones, son of Eld. John.

MARGARET, b. April 3, 1708; m. Walter Cook, son of Samuel, Nov. 17, 1726.

JOSEPH, b. Sept. 4, 1712; m. Deborah Albee, July 3, 1733.

RACHEL, b. Aug. 1, 1717; m. Josiah Ball, sen., July 3, 1733.

MEHETABEL, b. July 13, 1722.

JOSIAH, b. June 13, 1725; prob. d. in early infancy.

This sen. Dr. John was liberally educated by his grandfather Rockwood, who brought him up from childhood, and made him heir to a large landed property. He seems to have been a skilful physician, and practised much on our territory long before Dr. Samuel Leslie Scammell set. here. He was wealthy, and his family took high social rank. He d. Dec. 5, 1726, having

made a judicious will, whereof his wid. and oldest son were made executors. He was but 43 yrs. of a. at death. His wid. d., date not ascertained.

CORBETT, Dr. JOHN, Jun.[3] (Dr. John, sen.,[2] Robert[1]), b. Nov. 4, 1704; educated for the medical profession, which he honored; m. *Hopestill*, dr. of Capt. Seth and Bethiah (Thurston) Chapin, b. Nov. 27, 1705; cer. Dec. 27, 1727, by Rev. Joseph Dorr. Issue:—

ABIGAIL, b. 1729; m. Daniel Chapin July 4, 1754.
MELATIAH, b. Nov. 5, 1732; m. John Messenger, Wrentham, June 30, 1758.
JOSIAH, b. April 29, 1734; d. April 30, 1753.
ELIJAH, b. April 9, 1736; untraced.
RACHEL, b. Nov. 14, 1738; untraced.
BETHIAH, b. March 21, 1740; m. Dr. Samuel L. Scammell, jun., Jan. 3, 1760.
SETH, b. March 25, 1743; untraced.
PRISCILLA, b. April 17, 1745; untraced.
MEHETABEL, b. Oct. 24, 1747; untraced.

This family maintained its patrimonial respectability and influence. I presume the second, like the first, Dr. Corbett, included in his range of medical practice many families on our territory. He attained the venerable age of 89 yrs., dying March 1, 1794. Mrs. Hopestill d., date not ascertained.

CORBETT, JOSEPH[2] (Robert[1]), bro. of Dr. John, sen., b. April 20, 1685. I have found no further record whereby to trace him.

CORBETT, Eld. DANIEL[2] (presumed to be son of Robert[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Sarah Jones*, dr. of Eld. John and Sarah Jones, b. 1694; cer. Dec. 4, 1717, prob. by Rev. Joseph Dorr. They dwelt first in Bell., where he belonged to the Cong. ch. until its dissolution. He and his wf. then became members of the Cong. ch. here, being received in 1744. In 1742 or 1743 he and his bro.-in-law, John Jones, jun., seem to have made an exchange of farms, in pursuance of which Jones moved to Bell., and he to our No. Purchase. He came into possession of some 400 acres of land in No. Purchase, which included the farms afterwards owned by the two Ebenezer Sumners, John Corbett, sen., and other adjacent tracts. He was elected Elder of the Cong. ch. here in 1749, and was altogether an influential member of both civil and religious society. Their chn. b. in Bell.:—

MERCY, b. Sept. 2, 1718; untraced.
DANIEL, b. July 8, 1720; m. Mary ——.
SARAH, b. May 4, 1722; untraced.
NATHANIEL, b. March 21, 1724.
BRIDGET, b. Feb. 25, 1726; m. Aaron Morse, Holl., Feb. 9, 1743–44.
LOIS, b. Dec. 24, 1727; untraced.
EUNICE, b. May 4, 1728; m. Samuel Warren, Grafton, May 29, 1754.
PRISCILLA, b. May 9, 1732; untraced.
ALICE, b. Feb. 23, 1733; m. Dudley Chase, Sutton, Aug. 23, 1753.

Eld. Daniel d. in 1753, and Mrs. Sarah administered on his estate. The estate was inventoried, — real, £569, 5*s.*, 4*d.*; personal, £256, 10*s.*, 1*d.* I notice among the items of personal, "a negro boy and his bed, bedding, axe and hoe, £40, 4*s.*, 5*d.*;" showing that there was once a little pious slaveholding on our soil. His wid. subsequently m. John Sawin of Watertown; cer. Oct. 9, 1755, by Rev. A. Frost. No further traced.

CORBETT, JOSEPH[3] (Dr. John, sen.,[2] Robert[1]), b. Sept. 4, 1712; m. *Deborah*, dr. of John and Deborah (Thayer) Albee, b. Nov. 2, 1710; cer. July 3, 1733, prob. by Rev. Joseph Dorr. Their chn.:—

Jesse, b. March 2, 1734; m. Mary ——.

Isaiah, b. June 26, 1737; m. Lydia Vickery, Jan. 12, 1758.

Mehetabel, b. March 13, 1742; untraced.

There may have been more chn., but the records do not indicate it. The hus. and fr. was received into our Cong. ch., June 3, 1753, but seems to have required some monitory discipline in his old age. In this, however, he was far from being a solitary exception. He d. Nov. 26, 1797, in his 86th yr. Have not found the date of his wf.'s death.

CORBETT, Dea. Daniel[3] (Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. July 8, 1720; m. *Mary* ——; unable to trace the particulars of this mge. further.

Their chn. may have been b. partly in Wrentham West Parish, now Franklin, and partly in our No. Purchase, where he later dwelt on the patrimony of Eld. Daniel. The birth-dates, so far as I have traced them, are as follows: —

Nathaniel, b. prob. Wrentham, 1741; m. Lucy Thayer, Nov. 28, 1764.

Priscilla, b., not certain where, Nov. 17, 1743.

Robert, b. No. Purchase, Feb. 10, 1745; m. Elizabeth Daniels, Holl., April 5, 1769.

Daniel, Jun., b. Oct. 22, 1746; m. Thankful Hazeltine, Oct. 1, 1766.

Peter, b. Aug. 23, 1748.

Joseph, b. May 3, 1750.

Eldad, b. March 3, 1752; m. Hannah Stearns, 1775.

Mary, b. July 28, 1753; soon d.

Mary, b. Nov. 15, 1755; m. Elisha White, Oct. 12, 1775.

Hephzibah, b. July 21, 1757; m. William Legg, June 4, 1777.

Beulah, b. Oct. 9, 1759; m. Daniel Thayer, Aug. 19, 1778.

John, b. Nov. 22, 1761; m. Lydia Cheney, April 6, 1786.

Dea. Daniel inherited and left a large landed estate in the No. Purchase, which appears to have been equitably distributed, after his death, among his chn. He and his wf. were among the temporary come-outers from the Cong. ch. during the early part of Mr. Frost's pastorate, and for a time were adherents of Samuel Hovey. He was their near neighbor, and for a few yrs. seriously "troubled Israel." But he moved away; and they went back into the fold, thoroughly reconciled. See Chap. V. Dea. Daniel d. 1761, and his wid. subsequently m. Lieut. Josiah Chapin; cer. Feb. 7, 1770. She outlived him, and d. Nov. 7, 1809.

CORBETT, Jesse[4] (Joseph,[3] Dr. John, sen.,[2] Robert[1]), b. March 2, 1734; m. Mary ——. I cannot trace the particulars of this mge. I have understood that this Jesse was drowned, not long after mge., in Charles River, and that he left but one child, who was brought up by his grandparents on the old homestead, opposite the Bicknell cemetery, on our southern border. This was: —

Ichabod, b. April 21, 1756; m. Olive Lasall, Sept. 16, 1779.

I do not recollect seeing any record of the mr.'s death. I have understood that she lived to somewhat advanced yrs., was dependent on her son, and that she received some aid from the town toward the close of her life.

CORBETT, Ichabod[5] (Jesse,[4] Joseph,[3] Dr. John, sen.,[2] Robert[1]), b. April 21, 1756; m. *Olive Lasall*, b. July 7, 1758; cer. Sept. 16, 1779, by Rev. Joseph Willard. He was a man of good natural parts, kind heart, and liberal sentiments, albeit, like too many others, he did not wisely control all his appetites. He and his wf. reared some intelligent chn., who, with their chn., have honored their pedigree. Their chn.: —

TRUELOVE, b. Jan. 22, 1780; m., 1st, David Adams, Sept. 16, 1804; 2d, John Knights.

OTIS, b. July 29, 1782; man of distinction, Worcester; d. 1868, in his 86th yr.

PAMELIA, b. May 2, 1785; d. Jan. 14, 1859; unm.

LEAVITT, b. Aug. 7, 1787; m.; set. in Charlestown; officially honored; d. there.

JESSE, b. April 18, 1789; m.; set. in Keene, N.H., and d. there.

NANCY, b. April 15, 1792; d. Sept. 9, 1866; unm.

POLLY, b. Jan. 25, 1795; d. Sept. 2, 1832; unm.

HORACE, b. April 13, 1797; set. in Lisbon, Me.; officially honored; d. in that vicinity.

When I first came to Mil., in 1824, Mr. Corbett frequently attended on my ministrations; but he was growing old, and fast declining. He d. Feb. 19, 1829. Mrs. Olive survived him several yrs., and d. Oct. 12, 1837. I ministered at the funerals of the mr. and two or three of her drs. I believe all the sons emigrated to the above designated localities, and were respected citizens in their respective vicinages, — at least those indicated as such. The eldest dr.'s eldest son is the present town-clerk of Mendon, Mr. David Adams.

CORBETT, NATHANIEL[4] (Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. about 1741; m. *Lucy Thayer*, Nov. 28, 1764; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. I have failed to trace this family into their experiences much after mge. He took his share of patrimonial lands, and dwelt a few yrs. on what became the John Corbett place; but this he sold to David Stearns in 1770 or 1771, and I suppose left our territory for some new home. Whither he went with his family I have been unable to learn.

CORBETT, ROBERT[4] (Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Feb. 10, 1745; m. *Elizabeth Daniels* of Holl., April 5, 1769. They resided several yrs. in No. Purchase, and the following named chn. are recorded to them: —

ASAPH, b. Sept. 24, 1769; m. Matilda Reed, Hop., 1790; moved out of Mil.

EDE, b. Aug. 28, 1771; m. Jasper Daniell Hunt, 1787; no further traced.

PRUDA, b. July 30, 1773; d. April 15, 1776.

PUAH, b. March 2, 1776; d. March 28, same yr.

PRUDA, b. Feb. 8, 1777; no further traced.

RUBY, b. Aug. 10, 1779; no further traced.

RUTH, b. June 19, 1781; no further traced.

EVE, b. July 15, 1783; no further traced.

By a deed of land from Robert Corbett to Josiah Ball, dated Nov. 21, 1795, it appears that he was then dwelling in Salt Lick, Luzerne Co., Penn. No further traced.

CORBETT, DANIEL, Jun.[4] (Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Oct. 22, 1746; m. *Thankful Hazeltine*, Oct. 1, 1766; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No further traced. Supposed by me to have emigrated to some new home. I suppose the same of his younger brothers, Peter, Joseph, and Eldad. I have found no clew by which to trace them.

CORBETT, JOHN[4] (Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Nov. 22, 1761; his fr.'s youngest child; m. *Lydia*, dr. of Wales and Sarah (Whitney) Cheney; cer. April 6, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

ROBERT, b. Oct. 12, 1786; m. Lucretia Madden, Nov. 30, 1809.

PENUEL, b. March 8, 1789; grad. H. U. 1817, and devoted his long life to teaching.

BETSEY, b. June 13, 1791; d. March, 1807.

Hopestill, b. March 31, 1794; m. Jones Pond, March 31, 1816.
Anna, b. April 8, 1797; m. Josiah Perry, April 17, 1817.
John, Jun., b. Aug. 30, 1799; m. Almira Parkhurst, May 1, 1825.
Lovice, b. Nov. 27, 1801; m. Rev. Thomas Whittemore, Sept. 17, 1821.
Peter, b. Feb. 26, 1804; m. Hopestill S. Prentiss, Hop., 1829.

I knew this family well. The parents and most of their chn. were my parishioners on coming into town, 1824, and during the ensuing yrs. They were most substantial and worthy people. The hus. and fr. was one of the old Revolutionary soldiers, and, like all his comrades that I ever knew, was never tired of narrating his adventures. He fought in the battle of Bunker Hill. At one time during the war he and Jonathan Stearns were taken prisoners. A kind-hearted British officer connived at their escape in a boat, but they suffered intensely from hunger before reaching the American camp. Their first available meal consisted of raw meat, which they devoured like wild beasts, pronouncing it the most inviting dish they had ever before tasted. He was quaint and original in his phraseology, and made his tales very entertaining. He was one of the twelve proprietors that built the Brick Meeting-house, and a steady attendant at church. I see him in memory, with his faithful companion by his side, sitting in his pew, wearing his ample old-fashioned queue, and attired in his homespun costume, an attentive hearer. He d. Dec. 8, 1833, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Lydia d. Feb. 23, 1865, a. 97 yrs. 9 mos. 23 ds. I ministered at her funeral.

CORBETT, Robert[5] (John,[4] Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Oct. 12, 1786; m., 1st, *Lucretia Madden*, dr. of David and Anna (Battle Albee) Madden; birth-date not found; cer. Nov. 3, 1809, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.: —

Ithiel, b. Mil., Dec. 4, 1810.
Newell, b. Mil., April 21, 1819.
David, Lucretia, Robert, Lydia, and Otis, b. Mina, N.Y., at dates not ascertained.

I think Robert moved his family to Mina, N.Y., during 1824 or 1825. Mrs. Lucretia, after bearing the last of the above-named chn., d. there; and the hus. subsequently m. the wid. of Samuel McFarland, a dr. of our Dea. Edmund Bowker. He d. July 13, 1872; she d. 1874.

CORBETT, Penuel[5] (John,[4] Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Mil., March 8, 1789; served his fr. faithfully till 21 yrs. of age, then, having an intense desire for a liberal education, with little encouragement from any quarter, earned the means, fitted himself for college, and finally grad. from H. U. in 1817. Whether he m. and had a family has not been told me; but Mrs. M. J. (Corbett) Morgan, one of his nieces, has recently put me in possession of unexpected information concerning him in the form of a newspaper obituary. This I copy *verbatim*: —

"Penuel Corbett, born in Milford, Mass., March 8, 1789; graduated at Harvard University in 1817, in the same class with Dr. S. Tyng of New York, Caleb Cushing, and George Bancroft, and at once adopted the profession of a teacher, in which he was engaged the greater portion of his active life. In his earlier years he taught school in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Virginia; in the State last named, from 1821 to 1828, when he removed to Bristol, R.I., and opened a high school in that place, at the solicitation of several gentlemen who wished to give their sons a collegiate education, and knew Mr. Corbett's qualifications as a classical scholar. Mr. Corbett was a highly educated man, but, being of a

modest and unassuming nature, his real worth was not generally appreciated. He was a man of rare probity of character, unyielding in his adherence to truth and justice. In his early manhood he made a profession of religion, and during the remainder of his long life he fully exemplified the sincerity of his profession by his blameless character and consistent Christian walk; and in his death how impressively was that declaration of holy writ illustrated, 'Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn in his season.' He d. May 1, 1877, being in his 88th yr."

CORBETT, JOHN, Jun.[5] (John,[4] Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Aug. 30, 1799; m. *Almira Parkhurst*, dr. of Amasa and Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Oct. 4, 1801; cer. May 1, 1825, by the writer. Their chn.: —

SARAH HELEN, b. March 18, 1826; unm., and lives a useful life.

OLIVER, b. 1829; d. Oct. 24, 1832.

CARLTON, b. Aug. 12, 1831; res., I think, in Cherokee, Io.

CYRUS BARTON, b. March 24, 1836; d. March 1, 1855.

AUGUSTUS OLIVER, b. March 9, 1837; m. Helen Eleanor Comfrey, Feb. 13, 1868.

MARY JANE, b. Sept. 5, 1841; m. Henry E. Morgan, Oct. 3, 1867.

John Corbett, jun., rose to be major of artillery; served the town as selectman, assessor, representative to Gen. Ct., etc. He was an unpretentious but eminently meritorious man in all life's relations, as well as a highly respected citizen. He met with a severe spinal injury, by fright of his horse on the public highway, and was long a sad sufferer from that disablement. He d. in hope of a better world, Nov. 24, 1873; and I ministered at his funeral. His worthy wid. still survives under a cloud of adversities, amid which she bears up with exemplary fortitude. Major Corbett was a farmer, and dwelt on the paternal homestead, Haven St., near Purchase.

CORBETT, Col. PETER[5] (John,[4] Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Feb. 26, 1804; m. Hopestill S., dr. of Abner and Charlotte (Thayer) Prentiss, b. Hop., Feb. 16, 1807; cer. prob. in Hop., 1829. Their chn.: —

CHARLES P., b. March 2, 1830; dwelt with his widowed mr. till her death.

OTIS, b. Nov. 11, 1831; d. March 29, 1834.

CHARLOTTE P., b. Oct. 7, 1833; m. Perley P. Field, Aug. 15, 1854; d. Sept. 17, 1865.

LYDIA ANN, b. Aug. 20, 1836; m. Zibeon C. Field, March 5, 1858; d. March 21, 1872.

Col. Peter, as well as Major John, dwelt on portions of the old patrimonial estate that came down from their gt. gd. fr. in No. Purchase. Col. Peter inherited and illustrated the solid worth of his ancestors. He rose from a private of artillery, grade after grade, to the colonelcy of the infantry regiment to which our artillery company was at that time attached; and he was honored with a reasonable share of responsible municipal offices; but he was stricken down in his meridian by the fatal kick of his horse, which resulted in his death, Nov. 28, 1858, — a lamentable domestic and public loss. His two married daughters followed him, not long afterwards. His broken-hearted wid. struggled hard to bear up under her sad bereavements, but the burden was too heavy for her. She became chronically depressed in spirit to the verge of insanity, sought to cut off her earthly life, and finally did so by self-strangulation, Aug. 22, 1880. An only son, Charles P., survives.

CORBETT, AUGUSTUS OLIVER[6] (John,[5] John,[4] Dea. Daniel,[3] Eld. Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. March 9, 1837; m. *Helen Eleanor Comfrey*, dr. of James and

Sarah E. (Keith) Comfrey, b. Dartmouth, N.S., Dec. 22, 1838; cer. in Boston, Feb. 13, 1868, by Rev. L. L. Briggs. Their chn.: —

JOHN, b. Boston, Nov. 14, 1869.

SARAH HELEN, b. Boston, Oct. 7, 1871.

SUSAN WHITNEY } (twins), b. Boston, Feb. 27, 1873.
ANNA LOUISE }

ARTHUR } (twins), b. Cambridge, Sept. 4, 1876.
AUGUSTUS OLIVER, Jun. }

Of high and upright aspirations, but clouded by adversities. Res. Mil.; Boston and Cambridge latterly.

CORNELL. One or two families of this name dwelt in town between 1790 and 1805. I have an impression that they res. at what is now Spindleville, a little prior to its being purchased by Esek Green; but of this I am not quite certain. They are said to have come from R. I.

CORNELL, Gen. EZEKIEL, was a taxable citizen for several yrs. His wf.'s name was *Rachel*. She d. Aug. 14, 1799; he d. April 25, 1800. This is all that, with my very limited information, I can tell of Gen. Ezekiel's family.

CORNELL, PHILIP, must have been, I think, a son of Gen. Ezekiel; possibly a brother. His wf.'s name was *Dorcas*. They are credited with 1 child born here; viz., —

EZEKIEL MASON, b. Jan. 20, 1801.

Probably they had other chn.

Eaton Cornell has been mentioned to me as connected with the family. They are said to have returned to R. I.

CORNELL, ESTHER, a dr. of Ruth Albee, b. out of wedlock, lived many yrs. in Esek Green's family. Who her reputed fr. was, I have never been informed. She d. Feb. 4, 1828. I find no one who is interested in the commemoration of these Cornells, or who can tell me definitely any thing of their history; yet I thought it not amiss to inscribe what little I have to their memory.

COX, JOHN STUART; ancestry not traced; son of James and Jane (McClanren) Cox, b. St. Johns, N.B., April 1, 1830; boot-manufacturer; m. *Amanda F. Bates*, dr. of Joseph and Maria (Parker) Bates, b. Mendon, May 11, 1842; cer. at Hopedale, May 1, 1861, by the writer. An only son, —

JOSEPH STUART, b. Mendon, Oct. 30, 1871.

Of reputable standing in the various circles of society. Res. Mil., Worcester, Mendon.

COX, FREDERICK STEVENS, son of Isaac and Ann Cox, b. Alcester, Eng., Dec. 7, 1823; needle importer and machinist; m. *Ann Hartles*, dr. of Richard and Amey (Phillips) Hartles, b. Studley, Eng., March 30, 1827; cer. Newark, N.J., Jan. 22, 1851, by J. I. Plumer, Esq., just. peace. An adopted dr., —

MARY ANN HARTLES, b. Eng., May 17, 1841; m. Ezekiel W. Anson, at Hopedale, May 6, 1861. He d. in the great civil war, at Louisville, Ky., Aug. 24, 1863, leaving her a wid. with one orphan son. See Anson. She m., 2d, Moody T. Trevett of Mil., where she now res.

Mr. F. S. Cox was a man of studious mind, mechanical genius, and high progressive aspirations in spiritual things. He and his worthy companion came to dwell in Hopedale in 1856, which thenceforth became their home, with only slight intervals of temporary sojournment elsewhere. He d. here, March 5, 1876; and she survives him, a suffering invalid. Her dutiful gd. son, Frederick Ste-

vens Anson, dwells with her, a devoted care-taker and comforter amid her infirmities. Later she has dwelt with Mrs. Trevitt.

COX, Asa S., appears in our Directory for 1880 as foreman of Sawyer & Cushing, h. Claflin St., near Poplar. Family record not obtained. Also, —

COX, Isaac, bootmaker, h. West St., corner of Highland. Family record not reported.

CROCKER, Samuel M., and wf. *Amelia*, are credited on our records with the following named chn.: —

Marcellus M., b. Nov. 5, 1834.

Charlotte, b. Aug. 4, 1836.

Emily Sophia, b. Jan. 29, 1838.

Frances Allen, b. March 21, 1840.

Willard, b. June 27, 1842.

No family record vouchsafed, and therefore I can tell no more.

CROCKER, George, perhaps son of Samuel M. by 1st mge., b. Ux., July 20, 1820. No particulars of family record furnished me. He went to the great war for the Union, and came home discharged for disability. See War-Record. Cannot speak further.

CROCKER, William; pedigree not given me; m. *Eleanor Darling*, dr. of Dea. Zelek and Sarah A. (Humphrey) Darling, b. Sept. 23, 1820; cer. in 1842. He was in the millinery business in town some yrs. ago. They had 1 dr., certainly; for I solemnized her mge.; viz., —

Flora Crawford, b. 1845; m. Edward Everett Cook, Nov. 7, 1866.

No further information at my command.

OTHERS MENTIONED IN DIRECTORIES.

CROCKER, Catherine S., cloak-maker. 1869.

CROCKER, George E., clerk. 1869.

Thenceforth the name disappears.

CROFOOT. We have but one small family of this name in town, that of Athlin Sylvester Crofoot. A glance at Savage's "Genealogical Dictionary" indicates that he is prob. a descendant of Joseph, who set. in Springfield about the yr. 1658. He reports his gd. fr. to have been Ira Crofoot, who lived and d. in Berlin, Ct. He was b. April 30, 1780, and m., for his 1st wf., *Betsey Treat*, b. May 1, 1782. She bore him 6 chn., and d. July 20, 1820. He m., 2d, *Amelia* ——, who bore him 2 chn. He d. Nov., 1846.

CROFOOT, Edwin[2] (Ira[1]), b. Berlin, Ct., April 20, 1810; tinsmith and hardware dealer; m., 1st, *Submit Balcome*, dr. of Samuel and Submit (Stone) Balcome, b. Douglas, Aug. 25, 1815; cer. in Douglas, April 12, 1834, by Rev. David Holman. Their chn.: —

Edwin Samuel, b. Douglas, Jan. 21, 1839; d. Dec. 19, 1864, in Natick.

Athlin Sylvester, b. Douglas, March 6, 1842; m. Harriet Evelyn Darling, May 10, 1864.

Mary Ellen, b. Douglas, Sept. 3, 1844; d. Dec. 23 ensuing.

Henry Leverett, b. Douglas, June 11, 1847; d. Aug. 3, 1848.

Charles Lewis, b. Douglas, Oct. 7, 1849; d. Sept. 11, 1866, in Natick.

Mrs. Submit d. E. Douglas, Nov. 5, 1852. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah E. Davis*, no particulars given. Issue: —

Lizzie Submit, b. Sept. 12, 1855; d. Feb. 16, 1873.

The hus. and fr. d. at (Cochituate) Wayland, July 15, 1876. His wid. res. in that place.

CROFOOT, ATHLIN SYLVESTER[3] (Edwin,[2] Ira[1]), b. Douglas, March 6, 1842; tinsmith; m. *Harriet Evelyn Darling*, dr. of John and Lucy (Howard) Darling, b. E. Douglas, Sept. 6, 1841; cer. Northbridge, May 10, 1864, by Rev. Louis F. Clark. Issue:—

HELEN LOUISE, b. April 27, 1869.

Mr. Crofoot is an expert and trusty employé in the establishment of Joel W. Harris. Res. 10 Sumner St.

CROSBY, ISAAC; pedigree not given; b. March 31, 1795; m. *Sarah Thayer*, dr. of Seth and Sarah (Holbrook) Thayer, b. Mil., Jan. 28, 1797; cer. Mil., Nov. 15, 1818, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

CHESTLETON THAYER, b. Mil., Dec. 2, 1820; d. Aug. 16, 1828.

EDMUND HOLBROOK, b. Mil., June 22, 1822; d. July 16, 1828.

ISAAC NEWTON, b. Mil., July 10, 1824; m. Maria F. Howard, Nov. 12, 1845.

SARAH HOLBROOK, b. Mil., Jan. 9, 1826; d. Aug. 1, 1828.

Reputable family, but mostly short lived and much afflicted. Mr. C. d. Oct. 30, 1825. Wid. Sarah d. May 23, 1864.

CROSBY, ISAAC NEWTON, son of Isaac and Sarah (Thayer) Crosby; b. Mil., July 10, 1824; m. *Maria Farnum Howard*, dr. of Phineas and Lois (Dustan) Howard, b. in Bethel, Me., Nov., 1824; cer. Nov. 12, 1845, at Medway, by Rev. Willard Holbrook. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM N., b. Millville, Sept 12, 1846; d. June 30, 1848.

GEORGE H., b. Medway, July 27, 1849; d. Oct. 25, 1849.

RUFUS, b. Medway, July 20, 1850; book-keeper.

SARAH LOIS, b. Mil., July 31, 1853; m. Albertus Dean, July 16, 1878.

CHARLES T., b. Mil., March 27, 1856.

HEMAN S., b. Mil., March 11, 1858; book-keeper.

Res., as above indicated, first in Millville, then Medway, and since in Mil. Of good social, civil, and business standing. Mr. C., until quite recently, was a partner in the enterprising firm of Field & Crosby, dealers in coal, lumber, etc. In 1879 he represented our Mil., Mendon, and Upton district in Gen. Court.

CROSS, JESSE B., a native of N.H., pedigree not traced; b. prob. in 1825; came to Mil. some 27 yrs. ago; m. *Ann Sophia Wales*, dr. of John Mc and Phebe (Bartlett) Wales, b. Mil., June 27, 1833; cer. Feb. 1854. Whether he had been previously m., I am not informed. He had chn. and gd. chn. at the time of his death; but I have been favored with no family record, and cannot give their names or birth-dates. I regret my dearth of particulars. Mr. C. was distinguished for his musical genius and performances, extending through a quarter of a century. He was a very genial man, and a highly-esteemed citizen. At length he was seized by a singular paralysis in one arm, which gradually crept through his whole physical system. He d. Jan. 7, 1880, and was buried with Masonic honors.

CUDDIHY, Rev. Father PATRICK, son of James, and the youngest of a large family; b. in Clommel, Tipperary Co., Ireland, a populous parliamentary town of 16,000 inhabitants, March 17, 1809. He was educated at Rome, in the College of *St. Isadore*, and, after his course there, attended lectures in the Roman University, called the "*Sapienza*," in due time receiving ordination as priest by Cardinal Zula, the vicar of Pope Gregory XVI., in the yr. 1832. Returning shortly to his native county in Ireland, he spent 20 yrs. of clerical labor thereabouts, during which he built a fine ch. in Waterford, the res. of the bishop. Like most Irish priests of 40 yrs. ago, he took an active part in all the movements inaugurated by Daniel O'Connell for the

amelioration of Ireland,—such as Repeal of the Union, or Home Rule as now called, Emancipation of Slaves in the West Indies, Repeal of Jewish Disabilities, and those of the Dissenters, Repeal of the Corn Laws, etc. He was a personal friend of O'Connell, assisted at his funeral, and went over to celebrate his centenary.

On coming to this country, he was placed in charge of a large and responsible mission in Pittsfield, Berkshire Co., over which he presided successfully 5 yrs.,—having built during that time a ch. in Great Barrington, another in North Lee, and another in North Adams, besides enlarging the one in Pittsfield, and laying out a beautiful cemetery. He was transferred to Mil. immediately on the death of Father Farrelly, in 1857, and took charge, at the same time, of the Catholic flocks in Hopkinton, Medway, Holliston, Ashland, Upton, and Westboro', as well as Mil., supplying in person, and by assistants, all needful clerical service. Latterly regular pastors have been appointed for these then outside parishes.

Here in Mil. the rev. father has exerted a commanding influence, corresponding to his natural abilities, learning, and organizing genius. His works demonstrate this, not only in their pastoral and social outcome, but in material accomplishments. He has planned and secured the erection of a capacious and elegant church, a Gothic structure, of solid granite, 165 feet long by 90 wide in some parts, the general width being 70, which, when the tower is added, will compare with any cathedral in the country. The interior is elegantly frescoed, and has lately been enriched by 16 remarkable paintings, procured by the rev. gentleman, on a recent excursion to Italy, at great expense. He had previously procured, with like pains, a superb bell from Ireland, of sweet and majestic tones, as yet only temporarily mounted, but destined to discourse sacred lessons from the ch. tower when completed. In these, and collateral ways, he has done much to beautify the town, as well as commode, dignify, and elevate his own parish.

In a religious point of view, the rev. father ranks himself among the enlightened and liberal school of Catholic churchmen, encouraging education among his people, and pointing with laudable pride to the 15 of his flock now teachers in the common schools of Mil. But he holds the pastoral reins with a strong hand, fearlessly rebukes whatever he deems repugnant to wholesome Catholic order, and pays little deference to even the most popular innovations that gain adherents among his people. He denounced the "Crispin order" in its palmy days, and, more recently, has done the same by the "Hibernians." He sets his face resolutely against questionable amusements got up among his youth without his sanction. In fine, he is a faithful and masterly watchman on the walls of the Catholic Zion. In person, Father Cuddihy is tall of stature, and of commanding appearance, with more of the "church militant" of the Celt than the meek Roman churchman. He is still in the prime of health, and likely to preside many yrs. yet over the spiritual interests of his people. He has had an able succession of assistants, most conspicuous among whom is Rev. J. T. Canavan, at present in that office. I have desired some data which might enable me to speak authentically of these assistants, but none have been vouchsafed to me.

CUMMINGS, Dr. ROYAL, son of Abel and Rachel (Carpenter) Cummings, b. Douglas, Jan. 17, 1806; m., 1st, *Ruth Keith Aldrich*, dr. of Jesse and Susanna (Keith) Aldrich; cer. Ux., July 19, 1829. Issue:—

CHLORIS CORDELIA, b. Douglas, April 15, 1831; m. Charles P. Nelson, June 8, 1854.

Susan Adaline, b. Douglas, July 3, 1833; d. April, 1834.
Merrill, b. Sutton, April 22, 1836; d. July, 1838.
Samuel Judson, b. Douglas, July, 1838; d. a. 1 mo.
Charles Follen, b. Douglas, Feb. 18, 1840; m. Mary Crawford, 1865; he d. Dec. 26, 1877.
Ruth Lizzie, b. Douglas, March 28, 1843; unm.

Mrs. Ruth d. in Douglas, March 1, 1845. Dr. C. m., 2d, *Sarah Carpenter*, wid. of Remember Carpenter, and dr. of Samuel Balcom, b. Douglas, May 14, 1810; cer. Douglas, April 26, 1846, by Rev. David Holman. Issue:—

Sarah Frances, b. Northbridge, Aug. 16, 1848; m. Frank Dewing, Jan. 1, 1872; res. Hopedale.
John Elwin, b. Northbridge, May 9, 1850; unm.

Dr. Cummings was a student in our old Mil. academy, and studied medicine with Dr. Gustavus D. Peck. He subsequently adopted the Botanic system of practice, and, I think, recd. the degree of M.D. at a medical institution of that school. He came to Mil. in Nov., 1852, and secured quite an extensive practice. He was an early and uncompromising abolitionist when abolitionism was notoriously unpopular. He d. an exemplary Christian, in Mil., May 13, 1871.

CUMMINGS, Frank, son of Noah, b. Hardwick, 1831; m. *Sarah Olivia Chapin*, dr. of Leonard and Semira (Howard) Chapin, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1838; cer. Hopedale, Aug. 21, 1855, by the writer. Issue:—

Nettie M., b. Mil., Aug. 19, 1862.

CUMMINGS, Michael, in Directory, 1856.
CUMMINGS, Harvey, in Directory, 1856.
CUMMINGS, Jason G., bootmaker, in Directory, 1872.
CUMMINGS, John, currier, Hopedale, in Directory, 1872.
CUMMINGS, J. Elwin, clerk, in Directory, 1872.
CUMMINGS, John A., in Directory, 1878, '80.

CURRIER, Richard, was of Holl., but res. several yrs. in town, and had chn. b. here. I cannot give his pedigree or birth-date. What our records show is as follows: He m. *Lucretia Albee*, dr. of Caleb and Mercy (Twitchell) Albee, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1792; cer. Mil., Aug. 23, 1818, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Mary, b. Mil., May 19, 1819.
Richard Sullivan, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1823; d. Jan. 16, 1824.
Thomas Gregge, b. Mil., June 4, 1825.
Lucretia, b. Mil., Jan. 4, 1828.

I understand the family to have moved to Holl. How many chn., if any, were b. there, I know not; nor can I trace the mges. and offspring of the chn. I was told recently by a friend that one of the drs. m. a Mr. Staples; that Mrs. Lucretia was living with this dr. Staples in Holl. in venerable widowhood, at the advanced age of over 90 yrs., and that she was remarkably vigorous.

CUTLER, David; ancestry not traced, nor birth-date found; m., 1st, *Mehetabel Whitney*, dr. of Jonathan and Susanna Whitney, b. Holl., Dec. 27, 1719; date of cer. not found. She was a sister of Eld. Abraham Jones's wf., and also of Mrs. Joseph Jones. Their chn.:—

Jonathan, b. June 23, 1747; untraced.
Abigail, b. Oct. 11, 1749; untraced.
Susanna, b. July 11, 1752; untraced.
Nathan, b. Feb. 22, 1755; m. Ruth Nelson, Dec. 25, 1777.

DAVID, Jun., b. Aug. 22, 1757; m. Esther Evans, Up., 1783.

MEHETABEL, b. May 8, 1762; m. Nathaniel Flagg of Up., Nov. 13, 1782.

The ch. records show that David Cutler was received into our Cong. ch. from the ch. in Lexington, Dec. 27, 1747, and his wf. from the ch. in Holl., June 4, 1749. All their chn. were duly bap. Mrs. Mehetabel d., date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, wid. *Joanna Atwood*, a dr. of William Cheney, jun.; cer. Dec. 28, 1768, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

CALEB, b. July 23, 1771.

JOANNA, b. Sept. 24, 1772; m. Dan Kilburn, Holl., Sept. 9, 1787.

This family dwelt in the valley of Mill River, a mile north of Hopedale. Their homestead lay south of Eld. Abraham Jones's, now called the Jared Rawson place, and included a part of the Eli Chapin place, often so called. "The Cutler Bridge" derived its name from David Cutler. See Chap. XV. Abandoned Home-sites, No. 30. I have not discovered what became of this family. When or where the parents and several of the chn. d., I have not learned. David, jun., who m. Esther Evans, had but one child recorded here, — Elizabeth, b. June 12, 1783; d. Aug. 18, 1784. He soon d.; and his wid. m. Jonah Thayer of Heath, Dec. 28, 1786; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. None of the descendants further traced.

CUTTING, MOSES, appears on the ch. records — wf.'s name not given — as having had 2 chn. bap. here; viz., —

DAVID, Sept. 9, 1744, by Rev. A. Frost.

MOSES, April 26, 1746, by Rev. A. Frost.

Whence they came, where they dwelt, and whither they went, I cannot learn from any indications given.

DALE, Rev. JOHN, b. in Nottingham, Eng., March 28, 1802; m. *Sabina Warner*, Dec. 24, 1823; became a preacher among the English Methodists; came to the U. S. in Aug., 1829; followed the hosiery business as agent for a firm in Boston, 5 or 6 yrs.; connected himself with the Protestant Methodists; was stationed a yr. at Sandwich, afterwards at Plymouth, and then 2 yrs. in our No. Purchase; betook himself, for lack of ministerial support, to the boot business, but fell a victim to dropsy of the heart, and d. Jan. 7, 1841, in the 39th yr. of his age. Chn. of Rev. John and Sabina Dale:—

JOHN P., b. England, Oct. 9, 1824; m. Sarah F. Norris, Boston, Dec., 1853.

GEORGE L., b. in Mass., Sept. 16, 1827; m. Mary Jane Wellington, Dec. 14, 1858.

EMMA WARNER, b. in Mass., Feb. 21, 1829; m. Samuel Cheney, Oct. 6, 1848.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Mass., April 22, 1833; unm.; physician; res. Boston; since deceased.

MARY JANE, b. Mass., July 22, 1834; m. Edwin R. Wellington, 1856; res. Mil.

SABINA ABBIE, b. Mil., March 27, 1838; m. Jairus B. Whiting, March 24, 1861.

LEE CLAFLIN, b. Mil., Oct. 7, 1839; m. Kate M. Waterman, Jan., 1870; res. Boston.

Mr. Dale was a most exemplary practical Christian, of sterling intellect, and an able preacher. I became considerably acquainted with him during the closing yrs. of his life, and testify to the honor of his memory with confidence. He came into close sympathy with me in the great moral and philanthropic reforms, as well as in the glorious hope that good will finally triumph over all evil. I esteemed him highly, and took a prominent part in his obsequies. His worthy wid. survived him long enough to see the chn. well grown up into com-

fortable usefulness. She d. in Boston, Nov. 16, 1878. All their chn. survive, and 13 grandchn. The eldest son, John P., m. as above, res. in Boston, an enterprising book printer and publisher. They have 2 chn., named Sabina and Hattie. George L.'s family record is given below. Emma Warner m. Samuel Cheney. See Cheney. William Henry is a successful physician in Boston, as yet unm. Mary Jane m. Edwin R. Wellington, whose family record I regret not having obtained. They res. on Purchase, corner of Tyler St. He is a diligent boot-blocker. They have 10 chn; viz., Walter, William, Estelle, George, Ruth, Bertha, Edwin, Elsie, Hal, Benjamin; birth-dates not given. Sabina Abbie m. Jairus Bradford Whiting, in 1861, who d. March 22, 1871, leaving her in widowhood, and childless I think. She remains his wid., and res. in Boston. Lee Claflin Dale m. as above, res. in Boston, and is a dealer in optical goods.

Since the foregoing was written, Dr. Dale d. suddenly in Boston, Oct. 17, 1880. His death is noticed in "The Milford Journal" of Oct. 20, as follows:—

"W. H. Dale, M.D., died at his residence, 22 Leverett Street, Boston, last Sunday morning, of congestion of the brain, aged 45 yrs. The deceased was born in Boston, and was of English parentage. He had many friends in Milford, coming here when quite young, working in several boot-factories, returning to Boston in 1865, where he worked a few yrs. in a book-bindery. Devoting his spare time to the study of medicine, he finally entered Harvard Medical College, graduating five years ago, after a four years' course. At the time of his decease he enjoyed a very large and lucrative practice, and was universally respected and admired. He was unmarried, and leaves three brothers and three sisters to mourn his death."

DALE, GEORGE L., b. Sept. 16, 1827; boot-click; m. *Mary Jane Wellington*, dr. of Levi S. and Mary E. (Buzzell) Wellington, b. Northfield, Vt., May 9, 1834; cer. Dec. 14, 1858, by Levi H. Stone, Esq. Issue:—

JENNIE ELIZA, b. Jan. 5, 1860.

NELLIE EMMA, b. Oct. 22, 1861; d. Dec. 1, same yr.

NELLIE ALICE, b. Aug. 29, 1862.

An intelligent, orderly, exemplary family. They have a homestead on Purchase St., and are comfortable livers. It is gratifying to know that the chn. and descendants of Rev. John Dale, who was so worthy a man, and yet left the world under sore trials, are all in comparatively prosperous circumstances.

DAMON, JOSEPH, of Bell., previously of Dedham; pedigree untraced; m. *Hopestill Thayer;* cer. June 7, 1750, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

JONATHAN, bap. by Mr. Frost, June 3, 1751.

No more written.

DANIELL, DANIEL, DANIELS. This name is variously spelled; but there seems only one general lineage of those bearing these names in Massachusetts, or at least of those who have dwelt in this section of the State. These are all believed to be descendants of Robert Daniel, the ancestral immigrant. He came from Eng., and set. first at Watertown, and later at Cambridge. He was made freeman March 14, 1639. Our people of this variated name have been more or less closely related to those of the adjoining towns, and sometimes much mixed up with them in family intimacy. I am not thoroughly enough posted in their genealogy to specify accurately their lineal links, except perhaps in a few cases. I will begin with—

DANIELS, EPHRAIM[4] (Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Sherborn, then including Holl., March 25, 1707; m. *Elizabeth Wheelock*, eldest dr. of Obadiah and Elizabeth (Darling) Wheelock, b. July 11, 1709; cer. July 3, 1733, prob. by Rev. Joseph Dorr. Their chn.:—

ESTHER, b. Dec. 16, 1733; m. Asahel Thayer, April 25, 1759.
ASA, b. July 4, 1736; not traced.
ELIZABETH, b. Nov. 22, 1738; m. Caleb Thayer, Oct. 13, 1756.
JOSHUA, b. June 18, 1742; not traced.
HANNAH, b. July 12, 1745; not traced.

Ephraim Daniels was one of the original members of our Cong. ch. formed in 1741. He dwelt on what is now Mt. Pleasant St. See Chap. XV., Abandoned Home-sites, No. 6. He was a soldier in the first French war, and d. at sea, as set forth in the following entry on Mendon records: "Ephraim Daniels of Mendon, deceased April, 1747. He was coming home from Port Royal, d. of measles, and was buried in the sea about 3 leagues from Boston." His estate was not set. till 1758. Meantime his wid. m. John Rockwood, sen.; cer. March 18, 1751, by Rev. A. Frost. The family no further traced.

DANIELL, JASPER; prob. a gt. gd. son of Robert; ptge. and birth-date not found; said to have been of Needham; purchased, March 13, 1737–38, the large farm known for a long time as the Oliver and Samuel Daniell place, on the Holl. road, and later on Medway St. He bought first 180 acres of Josiah Partridge, and afterwards added thereto by taking up common land. He m. *Keziah Brick* of Sherborn; ptge, etc., not found; cer. March 7, 1738–39, by Rev. Samuel Porter. Their chn.:—

ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 20, 1740; m. Samuel Wood of Up., May 24, 1764.
OLIVER, b. Oct. 26, 1741; m. Sarah Newton; they both lived and d. here.
KEZIAH, b. Feb. 22, 1743; untraced.
MARY, b. March 17, 1746; m. Daniel Hunt, May 30, 1765; d. early.
LYDIA, b. Aug. 29, 1748; untraced.
JOSEPH, b. Oct. 2, 1750; untraced.
COMFORT, b. Nov. 10, 1757; untraced.
SARAH, b. March 8, 1759; untraced.

I could not ascertain the death-dates of these parents without more inconvenience than I felt disposed to incur. I presume their worthy lives and character deserved ungiven eulogy.

DANIELL, OLIVER, son of Jasper and Keziah, b. Oct. 26, 1741; m. *Sarah Newton;* no particulars of her pedigree or the mge. ceremony at my command. Their chn.:—

SAMUEL, b. June 8, 1777; m. Catharine Perry, Jan. 3, 1802.
EDE, b. Aug. 6, 1781; m. Alexander Scammell, April 18, 1799.

Oliver and Sarah Daniell were plain, industrious, and reputable people, and occupied, through a long life, the large paternal homestead. The ruins of their old domicile are noticed in Chap. XV. They d. of a severe influenza,—she, Jan. 2, 1831; and he, Jan. 5 immediately following,—she, a. 79 yrs., and he, 89.

DANIELL, SAMUEL, son of Oliver and Sarah, gd. son of Jasper and Keziah, b. June 8, 1777; inherited and lived long on the old homestead; m. *Catharine Perry*, only dr. of James and Sarah (Johnson) Perry; birth-date not found; cer. Mil., Jan. 3, 1802, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.:—

SARAH JOHNSON, b. Nov. 27, 1802; m. Horace Hill, Med., Oct. 27, 1830.
CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, b. May 5, 1804; m. Zilphia T. Smith of Bell., 1831.
CATHARINE PERRY, b. Dec. 23, 1805; d. Sept. 16, 1836, unm., a. 30 yrs.
WILLIAM NEWTON, b. June 3, 1814; d. Feb. 8, 1835, a. 21 yrs.
MALISSA RUSSELL, b. Feb. 25, 1820; res. unm. in town, Grove St.

Worthy and respected family. Besides other responsible official services

rendered to the town, Mr. D. served on the gen. school committee 17 yrs. The cross-winds of adversity seemed to blight his pecuniary interests in old age, and thus to sadden its close. Mrs. Catharine d. Jan. 16, 1853. Mr. Samuel d. in the kind care of his youngest dr., Malissa R., Grove St., Oct. 6, 1869, a. 92 yrs. and almost 3 mos.

DANIELL, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, son of Samuel and Catharine, gd. son of Oliver and Sarah, and gt. gd. son of Jasper and Keziah, b. May 5, 1804; m. *Zilphia T. Smith*, dr. of Pelatiah Smith and wf., b. in Bell.; cer. at P. Smith's, Bell., Nov. 9, 1831, by Rev. J. T. Massey. Their chn.: —

CHARLES, b. Sept. 27, 1832; m. Mary Elizabeth George, April 16, 1857; res. Spencer.

LORANIA, b. March 4, 1838; d. Aug. 10, 1840.

Christopher C. Daniell, d. Jan. 3, 1861. If I mistake not, Mrs. Zilphia, his wid., still survives; perhaps with her son in Spencer.

DANIELL, CHARLES[5] (Christopher C.,[4] Samuel,[3] Oliver,[2] Jasper[1]), b. Sept. 27, 1832; m. *Mary Elizabeth George*, dr. of William and Mary P. (Winslow) George, b. Norwich, Vt., Aug. 27, 1837; cer. Hopedale, April 16, 1857, by the writer. Their chn.: —

SARAH COOK, b. Oct. 5, 1872.

FLORENCE MAY, b. April 29, 1875.

MALISSA SARAH, b. Nov. 6, 1878.

Mr. Daniell has res. in Mill., Bell., and Spencer. The last named is his present res. He is a mechanic by occupation, and reputably discharging the duties of life, with wf. and chn. of corresponding worth.

DANIELS, JOHN,[5] a twin (Samuel,[4] Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Jan. 25, 1758; m. *Miriam Perry*; dates and particulars not ascertained. They dwelt close on our skirts in Holl. Their chn.: —

JULIETTA, b. May 3, 1767; m. Apollos Pond. She d. 1806 or 1807.

OBED, b. Dec. 27, 1768; m. Sally Parkhurst of Mil., April 6, 1800.

JOHN, jun., b. Jan. 14, 1775; m. Betsey Chapin of Mil., June 6, 1805.

PERRY, b. May 10, 1776; owned the Col. Bragg place; moved to Hop., and d. there.

MIRIAM, b. ——; not traced.

The hus. and fr. d. in Holl., 1822. Mrs. Miriam, his wid., d. 1832.

DANIELS, JOHN, Jun,[6] (John,[5] Samuel,[4] Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Holl., Jan. 14, 1775; farmer; m. *Betsey Chapin*, dr. of Adams and Olive (Sumner) Chapin, b. Mil., Dec. 27, 1782; cer. June 6, 1805, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.: —

OBED, b. July 29, 1806; m. Harriet E. Chapin, Dec. 9, 1832.

EDWARD, b. Aug. 2, 1808; m. Abbie B. Moore, Dec. 8, 1833. He d. Aug. 5, 1854.

ADAMS CHAPIN, b. March 8, 1810; d. 2 days afterwards.

ELIZABETH SUMNER, b. April 19, 1811; m., 1st, William E. Rockwood, Jan. 15, 1833; 2d, Freeman Shippee, 1842.

ADAMS CHAPIN, b. Nov. 24, 1813; m. Emily Schofield, Aug. 11, 1844. He d. Aug. 6, 1858.

JOHN PERRY, b. April 29, 1815; m. Susan P. Henry, Sept. 14, 1848.

AUGUSTUS, b. Jan. 6, 1817; m. Mary Murphy, Jan. 2, 1852. He d. Jan. 4, 1864.

AUSTIN, b. Jan. 20, 1820; m. Mary E. Evans, April 2, 1848. He d. Aug. 26, 1868.

GEORGE T., b. March 14, 1822; m. Mary L. Brigham, Feb. 18, 1849. He d. Oct. 24, 1875.

AMASA CHAPIN, b. Aug. 2, 1823; m. Amanda Schofield, Nov. 11, 1849.

John Daniels, jun., descended, on his mr.'s side, from John Perry, the ancestral immigrant. I give the Perry lineage, as carefully furnished me by Mr. John P. Daniels: "John Perry came from Eng. in ship "Lyon" in 1632, and set. in Roxbury. His son, John Perry, moved to Medfield, and m. Bertha Morse, May 23, 1665, and moved to Sherborn. Their son, Samuel Perry, m. Joanna Lovett, April 26, 1698. Their son, Samuel Perry, m. Ruth Leland, April 19, 1735, and moved to Natick. Miriam Perry, dr. of Samuel Perry and Ruth Leland, m. John Daniels, sen." The civil and social status of this whole lineage was eminently reputable. John Daniels, jun., d. in Holl., March 15, 1843; and Mrs. Betsey, his wid., Aug. 18, 1860.

DANIELS, OBED [7] (John, jun.,[6] John, sen.,[5] Samuel,[4] Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert [1]), b. Holl., July 29, 1806; m. *Harriet E. Chapin*, dr. of Amos and Harriet (Stowell) Chapin, b. Mil., March 31, 1810; cer. Mil., Dec. 6, 1832, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

CHARLES A., b. Worcester, March 14, 1834; educator; m. Phebe Whitmore, Aug. 3, 1858.

HARRIET E., b. Holl., March 7, 1838; m. Rev. Charles J. White, Aug. 7, 1860.

MARY C., b. Mil., Feb. 6, 1843; m. Hiram Tuell, Dec. 18, 1863.

JOHN H., b. Mil., Aug. 7, 1847; d. Feb. 7, 1848.

This conjugal pair have spent nearly their entire m. life in Mil., and have long dwelt on the Dea. Amos Chapin homestead, a conspicuous est. once occupied by Dr. William Jennison as a tavern-stand, and afterwards by Col. James Mellen of Revolutionary fame. They have two of the grandest old elm-trees in their front yard that I know of in this vicinity. They reckon them to be 160 yrs. old. This would start them in 1720. At that date the land now occupied by their dwelling-house was owned by the first William Cheney. In 1721 the old road from So. Milford, the west end of which is now called Elm St., was laid out, and ran precisely over the spot where these ancient elms and the house now stand. This appears from the record of a relay of the road in 1757, made to accommodate Joshua Chapin, who then owned the place. In 1725 the first William Cheney sold 26 acres of his original farm, including much of the place now owned by Obed Daniels, to Seth Chapin, jun.; but I have found no documentary evidence as to when or by whom a house was first built on this site. Perhaps one may have been built soon after Seth Chapin, jun., bought the land, in 1725. The next we know is, that his nephew, Joshua Chapin, owned the place, and had inadvertently built his house on the track of the road as first laid out. This was in 1757, but this does not preclude the fact of an older house on or near the same spot. Whoever built that first rude domicile, probably set out these two famous elms. Tradition says that it was done by Stephen Chapin, one of Seth, jun.'s, oldest gd. sons. If so, they may have been 10 or 15 yrs. old when set out. We must, therefore, leave their exact origin and age somewhat in doubt. Perhaps some coming inquirer may be fortunate enough to unearth the bottom facts. But be this as it may, the two trees are worth looking at, as venerable memorials of a past century.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniels seem to be eminently blessed in their chn., who are all actively and successfully useful in professional spheres of life. Charles A. is a graduate of Harvard University, in the class of 1859, and has devoted him-

self acceptably ever since to the laudable profession of an educator. He now res. in Malden, where he has long been principal of the high school.

Harriet E. became the wf. of Charles J. White, a graduate of Tufts College, in the class of 1858. He was once the popular principal of our Milford High School, afterwards took a high rank in the Universalist ministry, and is now the honored pastor of the church and parish in Woonsocket, R.I. Mary C. m. Mr. Hiram Tuell, a graduate of Bowdoin College, in the class of 1869, and who is also a highly-esteemed educator. He res. in Milton, where he has been for some time principal of the high school. Thus these husbands and wives, sympathetically co-operating in the laudable work of elevating the rising generation, can but radiate back upon their parents the high satisfaction of having launched them on a favored stream of human activity. They seem no less fortunate in the promise of their gd. chn.

Chn. of Charles A. and Phebe (Whitmore) Daniels:—

GRACE, b. Aug. 21, 1859.
LAURA, b. July 14, 1861.
CHARLES H., b. April 9, 1870.
ROY A., b. July 2, 1874.

Chn. of Rev. Charles J. and Harriet E. (Daniels) White:—

CHARLES O., b. Jan. 14, 1865.
HATTIE M., b. May 12, 1866.
ALPHONSO F., b. April 15, 1868.
WILLIE J., b. Feb. 10, 1873; d. July 29, 1873.
PAUL M., b. March 6, 1875.

Chn. of Hiram Tuell and Mary C. (Daniels) Tuell.

HARRIET E., b. Dec. 2, 1870.
ANNIE K., b. Dec. 25, 1875.

Mr. Daniels was elected 7 times to the office of selectman, and stood at the head of the board during the anxious period of the great Rebellion, when unparalleled responsibilities devolved upon it. He has held various minor offices, and positions of trust in our banking institutions. He and his wf. are now in the quiet enjoyment of a respected old age. Since the foregoing was penned, Mr. D. has suffered a serious illness, and has only partially recovered.

Most of John Daniels, jun.'s, sons have res. and done business in Mil.; but it has been quite inconvenient for me to obtain complete family records from any of them except Obed and John P. Nearly all the others have deceased, which renders it still more difficult for me to collect desired data. I shall, therefore, content myself with such fragments as our records and incidental information afford me.

DANIELS, EDWARD[7] (John, jun.,[6] John, sen.,[5] Samuel,[4] Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Holl., Aug. 2, 1808; m. *Abbie B. Moore*, dr. of Asa and Sabra (Lovell) Moore of Rutland; cer. in Mil., Dec. 8, 1833, by the writer. Their chn.:—

GEORGIANA A., b. Aug. 2, 1834; d. at the age of about 18 yrs., 1852.
ARTHUR T., b. Oct. 10, 1835; m.; lost his wf.; res. West.
MARY J., b. March 23, 1838; m., 1st, a Mr. Homer; 2d, name not given.

I at first presumed that the parents had other chn. b. here or elsewhere, but was afterwards informed that they had no more. The hus. and fr. d. in this town, Aug. 5, 1854, shortly after the loss of his eldest dr. Later, the surviving chn. m., and ultimately removed West. The mr. survives, and dwells with her chn. in their Western home, perhaps in Chicago or vicinity.

DANIELS, JOHN PERRY[7] (John, jun.,[6] John, sen.,[5] Samuel,[4] Robert,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Holl., April 29, 1815; m. *Susan P. Henry*, dr. of William and Augusta C. (Mendell) Henry, b. in Rutland; date not given; cer. in Rutland, Sept. 14, 1848, by Rev. Mr. Cady. Their chn.: —

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Somerville, July 4, 1849; m. Mary Louisa Nash, Oct. 8, 1873.

ANNIE AUGUSTA, b. Mil., Nov. 10, 1851.

The secular and social standing of this family is highly respectable.

DANIELS, ADAMS C., d. in Mil., Aug. 6, 1858. No chn.

DANIELS, AUGUSTUS, d. in Holl., Jan. 4, 1864; further particulars not ascertained.

DANIELS, AUSTIN, removed to Chicago, Ill., and d. there, Aug. 26, 1868, leaving his wid. and 2 drs. His wid. subsequently m. a Mr. Willard. Family no further traced.

DANIELS, GEORGE T., d. in Holl., Oct. 24, 1875, leaving his wid. and 2 chn. His wid. m. Stephen Mathewson of Mil., June 21, 1876; cer. by Rev. Mr. Adams of Holl. She d. in Mil., Jan. 26, 1879.

DANIELS, AMASA C., dwells in Holl., and has there 2 chn.

The marriages of all these bros., and their sister, now Mrs. Shippee, are above given, in connection with their births.

DANIELS, DANIEL[5] (Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Robert[1]), b. 1743; m. *Mary Atwood*. They had in Holl., —

RHODA, b. 1767; m. Levi Whitney, Jan. 5, 1786.

ELISHA, b. Sept. 22, 1770; m. Phebe Newton of Mil., Jan. 23, 1799.

JESSE, b. 1773; m. Peggy Ware.

MARGARET, b. 1775; untraced.

HANNAH, b. 1778; m. Eli Pond of Franklin.

MARY, b. 1781; m. Jonathan Wiswall.

The hus. and fr. d. Dec. 6, 1819. His wid., Mary, d. Sept. 30, 1836, a. 89 yrs.

DANIELS, ELISHA[6] (Daniel,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Robert[1]), b. Holl., Sept. 22, 1770; m. *Phebe Newton*, dr. of Ichabod and Rhoda Newton; b. Mil., May 24, 1777; cer. May 23, 1799, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.: —

HASTINGS, b. Aug. 6, 1799; m. Olive P. Howard, May 11, 1826; he d. Feb. 9, 1839.

SABRINA, b. Nov. 21, 1800; m. Nathaniel Torrey, May 26, 1825; she d. July 23, 1867.

DEXTER, b. April 3, 1803; m. Margaret Bates, Bell.; he d. Jan. 22, 1872.

URSULA, b. Oct. 10, 1804; d. Feb. 17, 1833.

NEWTON, b. Nov. 7, 1806; m. Olive P. (Howard) Daniels, Dec., 1842.

SAMUEL, b. June 23, 1809; m. Sophia A. Claflin, June 14, 1837.

HANNAH P., b. Jan. 2, 1812; m., 1st, Arnold Taft, Oct. 16, 1855; 2d, Asa Hill, Feb. 5, 1868.

JOANNA B., b. Dec. 3, 1813; d. Jan. 30, 1818.

OTIS T., b. April 9, 1816; d. Dec. 21, 1817.

JANE M., b. May 15, 1821; d. May 23 following.

The family res. nearly always in Mil., and several yrs. on the Jones farm, so called, in the Dale. The hus. and fr. d. there, Jan. 5, 1821; Mrs. Phebe, his wid., continued with her chn. on the Jones farm as tenants, till at length her eldest son Hastings bought it. After his death there, in 1839, the survivors left. Mrs. Phebe d. Jan. 7, 1855. A worthy family throughout.

DANIELS, HASTINGS[7] (Elisha,[6] Daniel,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Robert[1]), b. Aug. 6, 1799; farmer; m. *Olive P. Howard*, dr. of Zuriel and Olive (Twitchell) Howard, b. Aug. 27, 1805; cer. May 11, 1826, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

SABRINA TORREY, b. March 29, 1827; she dwells unm. with her step-fr., Newton Daniels.

GILBERT ELISHA, b. Sept. 10, 1829; m. Jennie Wilson, Medway; res. Brooklyn, N.Y.

The hus. and fr. d. on the Jones farm, Feb. 9, 1839. His wid. subsequently m. her husband's bro., NEWTON DANIELS; cer. Dec., 1842, by Rev. Preston Pond. She d. March 14, 1875. *Gilbert Elisha Daniels*, her son, was trained to commercial life, and is a respectable commission merchant in New York. He m., as above, and has living 1 son and 1 dr. in Brooklyn, N.Y.

DANIELS, SAMUEL[7] (Elisha,[6] Daniel,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Robert[1]), b. June 23, 1809; merchant; m. *Sophia A. Claflin*, dr. of John Claflin, Esq., and Lydia (Mellen) Claflin, b. in Mil., May 2, 1814; cer. in Mil., June 14, 1837, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

SOPHIA C., b. June 4, 1838; m. Henry S. Sanford, New Milford, Ct., Nov. 16, 1859.

LYDIA M., b. March 9, 1840; m. Thomas M. Waterman, New York, June 13, 1865.

ANNA J., b. June 12, 1842; m. Peter McCarter, New York, Sept. 28, 1865.

SAMUEL N., b. April 12, 1845; m. Carrie Ackley, New Milford, Ct., Oct. 6, 1868.

AMELIA C. } (twins), b. Aug. 25, 1850; m. Charles H. Wight, New York, Nov. 5, 1873.
AARON CLAFLIN } b. Aug. 25, 1850.

JENNIE F., b. Feb. 9, 1853.

Mr. D. has been an honorable and successful merchant, and his family stand high in society. I believe he commenced his mercantile career in Worcester, perhaps in connection with his bro.-in-law, Horace B. Claflin. He left for a wider sphere in New-York City about the same time that Mr. Claflin did, prosecuted business prosperously, and, I am told, is now retired from active service in easy circumstances. The family home has been and still is in Brooklyn, N.Y. And the above family record indicates that he and his companion have many blessings to be thankful for.

DANIELS, DEXTER, and elder bro. of the preceding, married as above, and set. in Providence, R.I., as a boot and shoe merchant. I have only a partial report of his career in life, which is creditable to him and his family so far as it goes. He d. Jan. 22, 1872. His wid. and 2 sons still survive him in Providence.

DANIELS, SAMUEL, and *Martha*, his wf., lineage not traced, appear from our records to have dwelt in town, at an advanced age; but nothing is said of their chn., only the facts of their respective deaths. Mrs. Martha d. March 2, 1789, and her hus., May 25, 1798.

DANIELL, ADAMS, and wf. *Mary*, are recorded as dwelling here at one time. They had 2 chn. b. here,—

ABIGAIL SMITH, b. May 2, 1802; d. March 17, 1803.

ALANSON SMITH, twin bro. of Abigail Smith, same birth-date.

Adams Daniell, the hus. and fr., d. Oct. 18, 1804. I find no clew to the lineage of this family.

DANIELS, AMARIAH[4] (Japhet,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Holl., Nov. 28, 1770; m. *Olive Rider*, dr. of Asa and Margaret (Johnson) Rider, b. Holl., Aug. 14, 1777; date, etc., of cer., not ascertained. Their chn:—

VESPASIAN, b., date not found; m. Mehetabel Claflin, Feb. 5, 1821.

JOHN, b., date not found; m. in Ohio.

OLIVE, b., date not found; m. Jabez Gilbert, Ohio.

ADALINE, b., date not found; m. Nicholas Gee.

Amariah Daniels came in from Holl., and bought the Dea. Robert Saunders farm, which he sold to the town in 1825, as an asylum for their poor. Just how long he occupied that farm I have not ascertained. Immediately on selling it to the town, he removed with his family to Palmyra, Portage County, O. Vespasian's wf. was a dr. of Rufus and Hephzibah (Bolster) Claflin. I think Vespasian and wf. went with his fr. to Ohio.

DANIELS, LAWSON[5] (Japhet,[4] Japhet,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. in Holl., Jan. 3, 1801; m. *Clarissa U. Pond*, dr. of Aaron and Silence (Underwood) Pond, b. 1803; cer. Holl., March 28, 1822, by Rev. Thomas Whittemore. Their chn.:—

CLEMENTINA, b. Holl., April 29, 1824; m. Alvin Collins, Mil.; she d. May 30, 1869.

CLARISSA P., b. Holl., April 7, 1826; m. Marshall Collins, Mil.; she d. July 30, 1858.

NEWELL, b. Mil., Aug. 31, 1828; m. Isabella O. Stone, May 28, 1850; several chn.

LORINDA, b. Mil., June 24, 1831; m. Ethan Adams, Dec. 6, 1849; she d. Aug. 2, 1860.

CHARLES R., b. Mil., Jan 31, 1834; d. Mil., Nov. 19, 1865.

SABRA, b. Mil., June 21, 1836; m. Henry C. Fairbanks, July 3, 1860.

GEORGE S., b. Med., Oct. 24, 1839; d. Feb. 25, 1841.

HELEN M., b. Med., April 21, 1842; m. Edwin B. Washburn, May 16, 1861.

GEORGE S., 2d, b. Mil., July 13, 1844; d. Aug. 19, 1844.

GEORGE EUGENE, b. Mil., July 20, 1846; m. Ellen Louisa Eames, May 1, 1867. Mr. D., the fr., d. July 13, 1851. Mrs. Clarissa, his wid., d. July 31, 1872.

DANIELS, GEORGE EUGENE[6] (Lawson,[5] Japhet,[4] Japhet,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b., as above, in Mil., July 20, 1846; mr.'s maiden name Clarissa U. Pond; m. *Ellen Louisa Eames*, dr. of Judson and Tamer E. (Wheelock) Eames, b. Mil., Dec., 1845; cer. at Hopedale, May 1, 1867, by the writer. Issue:—

CHARLES R., b. Oct. 14, 1868.

JOSEPHINE ELLEN, July 7, 1870; d. Jan. 12, 1874, a. 3 yrs. 6 mos. 5 ds.

Reputable young family. He is a faithful and accommodating hackman. Res. 25 No. Bow St.

DANIELS, JESSE, Jun.[7] (Jesse,[6] Daniel,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Robert[1]), birth-date not ascertained; m., 1st, *Harriet Howard*, dr. of Ephraim and Sarah (Wedge) Howard, b. March 19, 1808; cer. Nov. 29, 1827, by Rev. D. Long. No issue. She d. Aug. 13, 1832. The hus. m., 2d, *Sally Bartlett*, dr. of Joshua and Sally (Bright) Bartlett, b. Newton, Nov. 19, 1807; cer. in Mil., May 12, 1833, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

HARRIET HOWARD, b. Mil., April 11, 1834; m. Charles Marshall, April 19, 1855; she d. 1857.

ALFRED BARTLETT, b. Mil., April 23, 1835; d. Aug., same yr.

ALFRED BARTLETT, b. Mil., Aug. 19, 1839.

SARAH, b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1842; d. Jan. 28, 1866.

JESSE, jun., b. Mil., June 10, 1850.

The hus. and fr. d. June, 1879. His wid. survives in comfortable vigor.

DANIELL, JOSIAH NEWELL[7] (Josiah,[6] Jeremiah,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Samuel,[2] Robert[1]), b. ——; merchant; m. *Sarah Hutchinson Penniman*, dr. of Samuel Penniman, Esq., and his wf. Abigail (Mellen) Penniman, b. So. Mil., July 17, 1807; cer. Nov. 15, 1827, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

CHARLES PENNIMAN, b. Sept. 18, 1828; m. Henrietta Spring, Oct. 11, 1860.

HARRIET LUCETTA, b. May 30, 1830; m. Philip H. Wentworth, June 4, 1856.

SARAH NEWELL, b. March 27, 1832; d. May 22, 1836.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. July 24, 1834; m. Annie Eldred, Feb. 2, 1859.

EDWARD STOWE, b. June 8, 1841; m. Elizabeth Warren, May 23, 1865.

ANNA BATTELLE, b. Dec. 11, 1844; d. Feb. 16, 1849.

MARIA WILSON, b. Oct. 13, 1852.

Grandchn. — CHARLES PENNIMAN, whose wf. was a dr. of George Spring of Springfield, had Elizabeth Fiske, b. Oct. 1, 1861; d. May 7, 1862. The hus. and fr. d. May 7, 1861.

HARRIET LUCETTA m. Philip Henry Wentworth of Boston, who have had, —

Sarah Eliza, b. Aug. 22, 1858.

Charles Daniell, b. Jan. 26, 1862.

Austin Sumner, b. Dec. 13, 1869; d. Jan. 23, 1872.

Amy, b. Jan. 25, 1876.

WILLIAM HENRY m. Annie Eldred, adopted dr. of Nathaniel Eldred of W. Falmouth, who have had, —

Charles Edward, b. June 19, 1860.

William Swift, b. April 26, 1865.

Lucetta, b. Jan. 23, 1867.

Mary Eldred, b. Nov. 2, 1870.

George Spinney, b. April 12, 1873.

Elizabeth Dwight, b. Dec. 9, 1875.

EDWARD STOWE m. Elizabeth Warren, dr. of Charles C. Warren of Brooklyn, who have had Anna Warren, b. Nov. 30, 1866. The hus. and fr. d. Jan. 12, 1876.

Josiah N. Daniell res. for a time and did business at So. Mil., and then removed to Boston. He was a man universally esteemed and beloved for his many excellences. He d. in Boston Highlands, Nov. 16, 1874. His wid., of like excellence, still survives these many desolating bereavements, to exchange benedictions with her remaining earthly kindred, and to be sanctified by the divine unction for re-union with the loved ones who have preceded her in entering into the immortal life.

OTHERS OF THE NAME DANIELS.

An entry in the first vol. of our Town Records, under date of 1791, mentions, in the list of families then warned out of town, —

"DANIELS, Wid. ELIZABETH, and five children: Elizabeth, George, Hannah, Dan, Samuel, — came from Holliston to reside in Milford, Aug. 31, 1784; taken in by Boyce Kimball."

No further traced.

DANIELS, RUFUS, baker. Mentioned in Directories 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

DANIELS, WILLIAM H., boarder, later householder. 1872, '75, '78.

DANIELS, ELLIS, laborer. 1875, '78, '80.

DANIELS, FRANK, student. 1875, '78, '80; farmer.

DANIELS, SAMUEL O., machinist. 1875.

DANIELS, MALON, farmer, Green St., near Mill. 1878, '80.

Probably I have overlooked more or less transient dwellers of this name.

DARLING. Few of this name have ever dwelt on our territory. Two bros., John and Dennis Darling, from Braintree, set. in old Mendon soon after King Philip's war, when the fugitives began to return. Their names appear in the ministerial tax-list of 1685. John took up lands in what is now Blackstone, and more in So. Bell. Dennis located himself at first near the Town-seat, but his chn. more largely in the So. Parish. Both came with chn. b. in Braintree, and had others b. in their new homes. Dennis d. in Mendon, Jan. 25, 1718. I am not fully posted in the Darling genealogy, and therefore cannot expound it authoritatively; nor does it come properly within my present province to treat of it much outside of Mil. My good friend, Mr. John Darling, who res. near Chestnut Hill in Blackstone, has been collecting and arranging its details for many yrs. I have been assisted by him on several important points; and whoever wishes to inquire into the Darling lineages will find him more competent to inform them than any man I know of. The first Darling connected with our population was one of the numerous Samuels. He owned land within our limits; and his remains were interred in our oldest burying-ground, also those of Thomasine, his wf.: but just where he dwelt, I am entirely ignorant; nor am I quite certain that he had a home within our borders. His gravestone styles him "Capt. Samuel Darling," and says he "d. July 27, 1782, in his 83d yr." It is not improbable that he was a son of Daniel, and an early descendant of Dennis. His birth-date must have been about the yr. 1700. Whether he had chn., I have found no indications. I learn nothing but from his gravestone, and from other sources that he owned parcels of land here.

DARLING, NATHAN[7] (Thomas,[6] Benjamin,[5] Daniel,[4] Ebenezer,[3] John,[2] Dennis[1]), b. Mendon, Dec. 17, 1770; m. *Polly Young*, dr. of Levi and Deborah Young, b. Smithfield, R.I., Dec. 9, 1774; cer. in Mendon, 1793. Their chn.:—

SUSAN, b. Mendon, June 18, 1794; m. Samuel Taft, Dec. 27, 1812; she d. 1824.

NATHAN, b. Mend., Jan. 12, 1796; d. Jan., 1798.

CORTES, b. Mend., Dec. 30, 1797; d. Jan., 1798.

GEORGE, b. Mend., Jan. 29, 1800; m. Ann Whitson, Jan. 31, 1821; he d. June, 1861.

JOANNA, b. Grafton, July 10, 1802; m. Hiram Wilmarth, Sept. 23, 1829; living.

NATHAN, b. Grafton, Aug. 14, 1804; m. Eleanor Burows, Aug. 19, 1830; he d. 1866.

CORTES, b. Grafton, Oct. 19, 1806; m., 1st, Hannah Staples; 2d, Prussia Saunders; he d. 1880.

CHARLES W., b. Grafton, Dec. 24, 1808; m. Lydia Cole, Feb. 2, 1828; he d. 1872.

SON UNNAMED, b. Smithfield, R.I., 1810; d. in early infancy.

SARAH ANN, b. Smithfield, R.I., Oct. 1, 1813; m. Almon Thwing, Sept. 13, 1832; they res. Hopedale.

BENJAMIN YOUNG, b. Smithfield, R.I., July 9, 1816; m. Rebecca Coggswell, April 5, 1835.

Mrs. Polly d. in Ux., May 25, 1846. The fr. d. in the kind care of his youngest dr., Sarah Ann, and hus., at Hopedale, Sept. 7, 1855. People of stering worth.

DARLING, John Warfield[8] (John,[7] Thomas,[6] Benjamin,[5] Daniel,[4] Ebenezer,[3] John,[2] Dennis[1]), b. Mendon, about the yr. 1795; mr.'s maiden name Mary Warfield, dr. of Dea. John Warfield, So. Parish, Mendon; m. *Laura Anderson;* pedigree, date of cer., etc., not ascertained. They had several chn., with most of whom I had some acquaintance, and regret that I have missed my opportunities to obtain the family record, so as to give names, dates, and other particulars. Mr. Darling lived mostly in Mendon, and I think his chn. must have been b. there; but in their declining yrs. he and his wf. owned a small homestead in Mil., on Mill St. They both d. in the filial care of Mrs. and Mr. Hiram Snow, their chn., in Holl.; and I ministered at both their funerals. Mrs. Laura d. July 13, 1877, a. 77 yrs. Mr. Darling d. very suddenly, Nov. 26, 1878, a. 83 yrs. 12 ds.

DARLING, Dea. Zelek[7] (Zelek,[6] William,[5] Daniel,[4] Ebenezer,[3] John,[2] Dennis[1]), b. Sutton, Feb. 16, 1794; mr.'s maiden name, Rachel White, dr. of Noah White; m. *Sarah Ann Humphrey;* pedigree untraced; b. Feb. 26, 1798; date of cer. not given. Issue:—

Edwin Crawford, b. March 11, 1818; d. Feb. 18, 1821.

Eleanor, b. Sept. 23, 1820; m. William Crocker, 1842.

Rodney Luther, b. Nov. 6, 1822; m. Pamelia C. Darling, Oct. 8, 1843.

Melancy Lawton, b. April 2, 1830; m. Charles S. W. Day, Jan. 8, 1852.

Dea. Zelek Darling and family came into town from Sutton, in 1842. He kept a shoe-store on Main St., and is well remembered for his genial and venerable deportment. He and his wf. were members of the Cong. ch. in the locality whence they came, and transferred their relations to the ch. here. He d. here, July 31, 1866; Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. Oct. 23, 1871.

DARLING, Rodney Luther[8] (Zelek,[7] Zelek,[6] William,[5] Daniel,[4] Ebenezer,[3] John,[2] Dennis[1]), b. Sutton, Nov. 6, 1822; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Ann Humphrey; m. *Pamelia Cox Darling*, dr. of William and Pamelia (Cox) Darling, b. Oxford, May 1, 1827; cer. in Sutton, Oct. 8, 1843, by Rev. Mr. Tracy. Issue:—

Jennie Louise, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1853; m. Gilbert Bent, Oct. 16, 1878.

A worthy family. They res. formerly in E. Douglas, but more recently for many yrs. here. He has been employed chiefly as a boot-treer and in kindred occupations.

DARLING, Homer Wing[7] (Newbury,[6] Pelatiah,[5] Pelatiah,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Dennis[1]), b. E. Hampton, Ct., Jan. 8, 1832; mr.'s maiden name, Olive Kelly, dr. of Wing and Diana (Daniels) Kelly; m. *Abbie C. Cook*, dr. of George W. and Emily (Albee) Cook, b. Ux., Nov. 11, 1839; cer. in Ux., April 7, 1857, by Rev. Mr. Tappan. Issue:—

Emily Eliza, b. March 28, 1858; m. Samuel A. Bennett, May 2, 1876.

George Homer, b. Feb. 7, 1860.

Grace, b. July 14, 1872.

Mr. D. is an enterprising farmer in Mendon, on the Benjamin Davenport place, so called, of which he is now the owner. He is a large milk-producer, and withal entertains numerous summer boarders in his capacious mansion, much to their satisfaction as well as his own profit. He has a helpful and worthy wf., and has a popular standing among his fellow-citizens. He has served his town on their general school committee, and in 1879-80 was one of the representatives in Gen. Ct. from the district composed of Mendon, Milford, and Upton. I give his family record in this work because in his youth he res. several yrs. in Hopedale, because he has long and continuously dealt with our

people, and because, as above mentioned, he has been one of our joint. reps. in the Legislature.

OTHER DARLINGS.

DARLING, ANSON, bootmaker. Mentioned in Directory of 1856.

DARLING, BENJAMIN, bootmaker. 1872.

DARLING, EDWARD, bootmaker, boarded at Benjamin's. 1872.

DARLING, OSCAR M., painter. 1878, '80.

Prob. we have had a few other transient sojourners of this name among us.

DAVENPORT, ISAAC, Esq., son of James and Esther (Mellish) Davenport, b. Dorchester, Nov. 30, 1786. His gd. fr.'s name was Isaac, and he belonged to the ancient Dorchester stock of Davenports. James Davenport, fr. of our Isaac, was a Revolutionary soldier; and his discharge was signed with Gen. Washington's own hand. Moreover, Gen. Lafayette presented him with a sword for his military skill and address. Our Isaac m., 1st, *Sarah Howard*, alias *Hayward*, dr. of Jesse and Hannah (Albee) Hayward, b. Mil., March 8, 1788; cer. Nov. 28, 1810, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

SARAH HAYWARD, b. Mil., Oct. 17, 1811; m. Ebenezer Stone, Dec. 2, 1830.

LUCRETIA ALBEE, b. Mil., Jan., 28, 1814; m. John J. Loring, July 17, 1833.

ESTER MELLISH, b. Mil., July 27, 1816; m. Ezra B. Rockwood, May 16, 1839.

ABIGAIL KEZIAH, b. Mil., Sept. 24, 1820; m. Benjamin Onthank, Sept. 20, 1849. She d. 1860.

HELEN MARIA, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1828; m., 1st, Benjamin Spear, Sept. 27, 1846; 2d, James M. Fletcher.

NATHAN WOOD, b. Mil., Feb. 16, 1833; boot-cutter; house W. Medway.

Mrs. Sarah d. April 5, 1833. The hus. m., 2d, *Polly*, or *Patty*, *Fairbanks*, wid. of Gideon; pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. June 3, 1834, by Rev. D. Long. No issue. Mrs. Polly, or Patty, d. Feb, 27, 1845. The hus. m., 3d, *Ruth* (*Albee*) *Holbrook*, wid. of Nathan Holbrook, and dr. of Abel and Annah (Wood) Albee, b. June 8, 1794; cer. some time in 1846, by whom not ascertained. No issue.

Isaac Davenport was a well educated, intelligent man, and honored citizen. He was a member of the Artillery Co., marched with it to So. Boston in 1814, and became one of its 1st lieuts. He served the town in several of its responsible offices, such as school-committee man, assessor, town-clerk, etc. He was a justice of the peace from 1841 down to the time of his death. He settled estates, was a land-surveyor, and executed an improved map of the town, originally made by Newell Nelson, Esq., in 1829, and which was published by Pearley Hunt, Esq., in 1843. He d. Dec. 2, 1852. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., d. Dec. 2, 1855.

DAVENPORT, DAVID EPHRAIM; ancestry untraced; son of Ephraim and Betsey S. Davenport, b. in Wrentham, Feb. 15, 1814; bootmaker; m. *Phebe Phinney*, dr. of Tyrus and Ruby (Briggs) Phinney, b. South Orange, March 24, 1819; cer. Mil., Jan. 1, 1839, by the writer. Issue:—

GEORGE MORTIMER, b. Mil., Aug. 13, 1840; bootbottomer; res. with his fr., Beach St.

LAURA ETT, b. Mil., Jan. 1, 1843; d. April 3, 1846.

ALBION, b. Mil., Aug. 1, 1846; wood-worker; res. 2 So. Main St.

The family have res. sometimes in Holl., but mostly in Mil.; now on Beach St.

DAVENPORT, WILLIAM WHIPPLE; pedigree untraced; m. *Polly, alias Mary*

Sumner, dr. of Joseph and Ruth (Legg) Sumner, b. Mil., Sept. 30, 1790, cer. 1830; particulars not ascertained. No issue recollected as on record. Mr. D. was of Upton. His death-date not ascertained. Mrs. Polly, his wid., d. May 10, 1878.

OTHER DAVENPORTS.

DAVENPORT, George, bootmaker; res. on Jefferson St. Directory of 1856.

DAVENPORT, Samuel L.; res. on Bragg's Slip. Directory of 1856.

DAVENPORT, Stearns G., grain-dealer (Chapman & Davenport). Directory of 1869, '72.

DAVENPORT, Daniel D., carpenter. Directory of 1872.

DAVENPORT, Arthur J., boot-crimper. Directory of 1880.

DAVENPORTS OF MENDON, ETC.

These were near neighbors to us, and several of them closely connected with Mil. people by mge. and business intercourse. I therefore give their family records, though able to do so but imperfectly.

DAVENPORT, Samuel, wf. *Rebecca* came into Mendon from Windham County, Ct., perhaps town of Hampton, between 1745 and 1750. They purchased and set. on the Green estates, in what we may call No. Mendon. Benjamin Green and son Samuel had been included among certain frontier families in the Easterly Precinct at its incorporation. They dwelt on the Providence and Worcester road, towards Upton. Samuel and Rebecca Davenport set. on these estates, and founded the Davenport neighborhood. Samuel was b. Oct. 20, 1697, and d. June 29, 1773. Rebecca, his wf., was b. Feb. 9, 1699, and d. Sept. 25, 1777. They had a son (whether others I know not) named, —

DAVENPORT, Seth, b. Nov. 2, 1739, who m. *Chloe Daniels*, dr. of David and Huldah (Taft) Daniels, b. Sept. 13, 1745; cer. 1764. Their chn.: —

Anna, b. Sept. 8, 1765; m., 1st, William Torrey, parents of Samuel D. Torrey, etc.

David, b. Jan. 17, 1767; m. Waity Aldrich; pts. of Moses, Charles, and David.

Mary, b. Sept. 30, 1768; untraced.

Rebecca, b. April 9, 1770; untraced.

Samuel, b. Oct. 14, 1772; untraced.

Chloe, b. March 23, 1774; m. Hon. Seth Hastings; pts. of Hon. William S., Charles C. P., etc.

Seth, b. June 13, 1775; m. Betsey Godfrey of Mil., April 29, 1797.

Benjamin, b. July 10, 1780; m., 1st, Sophia Godfrey of Mil., Nov. 3, 1805, etc.

Seth Davenport, the fr. of the above, d. March 28, 1813. Mrs. Chloe's death-date not ascertained.

DAVENPORT, Seth[3] (Seth,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 13, 1755; a large farmer on the paternal homestead; m. *Betsey Godfrey*, dr. of our Col. Benjamin and wf. Bethiah (Gibbs) Godfrey, b. May 19, 1779; cer. April 29, 1797. Issue: —

George Longley, b. Sept. 28, 1798; m. Harriet Barber; res. Mendon; large family.

John Godfrey, b. Feb. 7, 1800; d. May 12, 1820.

SAMUEL DANIELS, b. Dec. 28, 1801; set. Hop.; m. twice there; fr. of MRS. Ex-Gov. William Claflin.

JOSEPH GIBBS, b. Oct. 1, 1803; m. Mary Daniels; pts. of Edward W., Stearns G., etc.

REBECCA, b. May 9, 1814; d. June 29, 1834.

SETH TALLMAN, b. not ascertained; m. Adaline A. Barber, Dec. 23, 1838.

Seth Davenport and Mrs. Betsey, his wf., passed away in a ripe old age, he preceding her a few yrs. I have not their death-dates readily at my command. Their position, wealth, and social capabilities gave them a prominent influence. All their chn., inheriting their estate and much of their influence, have joined them in spirit-land, except one or two drs.-in-law. But a considerable number of gd. chn., etc., bear their lineal blood down the stream of generation.

DAVENPORT, BENJAMIN, Esq.[3] (Seth,[2] Samuel[1]), b. July 10, 1780; mr.'s maiden name, Chloe Daniels; m., 1st, *Sophia Godfrey*, dr. of our Col. Benjamin and Bethiah (Gibbs), his wf., b. in Mil., April 28, 1784; cer. here Nov. 3, 1805, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Among their chn. known to me were, —

ELIZABETH, birth-date not ascertained; m. J. D. Wheeler, and d. May 15, 1832, a. 25 yrs.

GODFREY, birth-date not ascertained; set. in the South as a planter.

SARAH, birth-date not ascertained; m. Lyman D. Aldrich, and d. a few yrs. after.

JOHN G., birth-date not ascertained; d. Oct. 26, 1837, a. 18 yrs.

ANNA T., birth-date not ascertained; m. Milton H. Sanford, and d. Oct., 1838.

Mrs. Sophia d. Jan. 2, 1834. The hus. m., 2d, *Sally Carshore*, whose maiden name was Freeland; pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. at the res. of Samuel Davenport, Esq., Hop. (whose wf. was sister to the bride), Feb. 12, 1835, by the writer. Issue: —

SOPHIA, b. Mendon, 1836; m. Seth Hastings Hayward, and d. July 16, 1859, in her 24th yr., leaving 1 inft. dr. A sadly-bereaved family.

Benjamin Davenport, Esq., wives, and chn., occupied the front social rank in community. He was a merchant in Boston during his earlier manhood, returning with handsome accumulations of property to his native town, where he spent the afternoon and evening of his long life. As a citizen and financier, he wielded an honorable influence down to the winter of old age. He d. July 14, 1862, in his 83d yr. Mrs. Sally, his wid., d. Oct. 12, 1870, a. 74 yrs.

DAVENPORT, DAVID, son of David and Waity (Aldrich) Davenport; m. *Adelia E. T. Aldrich*, dr. of Jabez. Both have d. within a few yrs. No chn. He was an intelligent and enterprising citizen of Mendon, at one time assistant county commissioner, and an executive civil engineer. I shall remember him for his gratuitous services in laying out Hopedale Cemetery, and other kindnesses.

DAVENPORT, CHARLES, elder bro. of the preceding; formerly in business down South. Seems to be the only survivor in this vicinity of the first Samuel's gd. chn. He is now an octogenarian of tolerable vigor, and res. in the old family neighborhood. Whether his cousin, Godfrey Davenport, down South, is still living, I have not recently heard. On the patrimonial homestead, successively inhabited by Samuel,[1] Seth,[2] Seth,[3] and Seth T.,[4] dwell the wid. of the latter, and several of her chn.

DAVENPORT, SETH TALLMAN,[4] youngest son of Seth[3] and Betsey (Godfrey)

Davenport; m. *Adaline A. Barber*, dr. of John and Mary (Davenport) Barber, b. Aug. 27, 1820; cer. in First Cong. Ch., Mendon, Dec. 23, 1838, by the writer. Issue:—

JOHN LOUIS, b. Mendon, Sept. 30, 1839; m. ——.

AUSTIN DWIGHT, b. Mendon, Feb. 24, 1842; m. Delia W. Taft, who d. Jan. 20, 1871.

SETH TONER, b. Mendon, July 2, 1845; m. Harriet Warren; res. Upton.

JERRY EUGENE, b. Mendon, July 5, 1848; d. Sept. 9, 1851.

MARSHALL WILLIE, b. Mendon, May 23, 1850; d. Sept. 15, 1851.

MARSHALL EUGENE, b. Mendon, March 3, 1852.

ADALINE A. B., b. Mendon, Oct. 15, 1858; d. July 22, 1859.

The fr. d. April 29, 1858. His worthy wid. still survives her many bereavements and afflictions, calmly trusting in the divine goodness, and hoping for the immortal life.

DAVENPORT, DANIEL DAVID, son of George Longley and Harriet (Barber) Davenport, gd. son of the 2d Seth, and gt. gd. son of the 1st Seth Davenport; b. Mendon, Jan. 1, 1842; carpenter; m. *Jennie S. Cromb*, dr. of George W. and Jane (Houghton) Cromb, b. in Webster, Sept., 1849; cer. Mil., Aug. 31, 1866, by Rev. William G. Leonard. Issue:—

PEARL, b. Providence, R.I., July 19, 1868.

EMMA ALICE, b. Mil., Mass., June 30, 1870.

ETTA MAYBEL, b. Cranston, R.I., May 27, 1873.

FRANKIE ERNEST, b. Providence, R.I., Jan. 11, 1875; d. Feb. 8 ensuing.

MINERVA } (twins), b. Mendon, Oct. 24, 1877.
MELISSA }

MELISSA } (twins), b. Mendon, Oct. 25, 1877; d. July 27, 1879.

GEORGE ALBERT, b. Hopedale, June 23, 1881.

A reputable family; res. in Hopedale between two and three yrs.

DAVIDSON, DANIEL, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Abigail Sumner*, dr. of Daniel and Beriah (Clark) Sumner; her birth-date not found; cer. May 1, 1759, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

MARGARET OGLESBEE, birth-date not found; m. Daniel Thompson, Dec. 8, 1782.

ABIGAIL, birth-date not found; m. Ebenezer Thompson, March 11, 1784.

DANIEL, jun., brought up with Rev. A. Frost; m. Elizabeth Nelson, Jan. 11, 1789.

There is some obscurity in this record; and I am not certain of its absolute correctness, but leave it as derived from several sources. No further traced.

DAVIS, PHINEHAS, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Molly Gage*, dr. of Moses and Sarah (Nelson) Gage, b. 1737; cer. Aug. 23, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

MOSES, b. April 23, 1765; m. Bethiah Beal, Sept. 2, 1790.

SARAH, b. Jan. 29, 1767; m. Silas Cheney, Nov. 29, 1792.

PHINEHAS, jun., b. Jan. 16, 1770; m. Sally Stanford, Nov. 13, 1806.

THOMAS, b. Jan. 21, 1773; d. June 21, 1776.

SOLOMON, b. Feb. 15, 1776; d. same day.

MARY, b. Aug. 6, 1780.

The parents of this family dwelt on now Highland St., also their son Moses, where, a few yrs. ago, an old stone chimney marked the remains of an abandoned site, well on the way towards Silver-hill St. Mrs. Molly d. May 20, 1819. Her hus. d. Oct. 1, 1822, a. 80 yrs.

DAVIS, SAMUEL, birth-date, pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Deborah Chapin*, dr.

of Josiah and Rachel Chapin, b. 1757; cer. Aug. 29, 1776, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

EBENEZER, b. May 18, 1779.

SIMON, b. April 9, 1781.

SUSANNA, b. Oct. 31, 1783.

This family no further traced.

DAVIS, MOSES, son of Phinehas and Molly (Gage) Davis, b. April 23, 1765; m. *Bethiah Beal*, dr. of Nathan and Bathsheba Beal, b. July 30, 1770; cer. Sept. 2, 1790, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

BETHIAH, bap. Dec. 18, 1800, by Rev. Benjamin Wood; she d. Jan. 8, 1836.

RHODA, bap. Dec. 18, 1800, by Rev. Benjamin Wood.

MOSES, bap. Dec. 18, 1800, by Rev. Benjamin Wood.

This family no further traced.

Either I have strangely overlooked our birth-records, or this family was neglected. I find little to enlighten myself or the reader. Indeed, these old Davis families exhibit on our records a broken showing. I find certain marriages, which perhaps I ought to transcribe: —

DAVIS, SUSANNAH, m. to *Isaac Sanger*, May 25, 1762.

DAVIS, ELLEN, m. to *Daniel Hayward*, jun., July 23, 1766.

DAVIS, PAUL, m. to *Rachel Chapin*, Nov. 27, 1783.

DAVIS, AARON, m. to *Susanna Chaddock*, 1783.

Other mges. incidentally mentioned above.

DAVIS, PHINEHAS, Jun., and

DAVIS, SOLOMON, appear in our oldest tax-lists; but I cannot readily place them in proper order.

Coming down to our own times, I present the following: —

DAVIS, JAMES REUEL, Esq., son of Noah and Mary (Stanley) Davis, b. Boston, Oct. 14, 1816; m. *Rebecca Bacon Ambler*, dr. of Colburn and Sally (Day) Ambler, b. Needham, May 29, 1819; cer. Mil., June 13, 1839, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

Several chn. were b. to these parents; but they all d. in early infancy, and are omitted in the return made to me. They virtually, though not legally, adopted their niece, *Ida Jane Ambler*, who m. Davis Herbert Bates. See the Bates families in their place.

Mr. D. came to Mil. in 1838, and has res. here ever since. His large executive abilities soon commanded public attention and confidence. Accordingly, he has had ample opportunity to serve his fellow-citizens in many official positions. He has been one of our most popular moderators, excelled, if at all, only by George B. Blake; has been a chief among our selectmen, and is now at the head of that Board; represented the town in the Legislature of 1864; was assistant assessor of Internal Revenue 11 yrs., and was appointed special justice of Mil. police court in 1867. He was admitted to the Worcester bar, Jan., 1870, and has since practised law successfully in partnership with Henry E. Fales, Esq.

DAVIS, ISAAC NEWTON, son of Amos and Dorothy (Keyes) Davis, b. in Whitingham, Vt., Nov. 28, 1824; m. *Isabel Day*, dr. of Robert and Edner (Littlefield) Day, b. in Alfred, Me., Jan 1, 1833; cer. Alfred, Me., Aug. 12, 1855, by Rev. William H. Strout. No chn. reported. Mr. D. and family have res. in Alfred, Me., Bell., Gibbon, Neb., and in Mil. some 12 yrs. or more. He was an active partner for several yrs. in the box-manufacturing firm of I. N. Davis & Co.; but latterly has officiated as superintendent of

the Mil. Gas Co. He is a highly respected citizen, and has been honored with responsible positions of public service. Social rank of the family unexceptionable. He has furnished me a record of his fr.'s family, which is as follows:—

DAVIS, Amos, b. March 1, 1775; m., 1st, *Dorcas Keyes*, dr. of William Keyes, b. May 17, 1789; cer. Feb. 28, 1810. Issue:—

Sylvia, b. Nov. 2, 1811; d. March 21, 1848.

Mrs. Dorcas d. July 21, 1812. The hus. m., 2d, her sister *Dorothy Keyes*, b. Jan. 4, 1790; cer. Dec. 1, 1812. Issue:—

Ammiel Keyes, b. Dec. 11, 1813; m. Dec. 1, 1839, to whom not given.

Louisa, b. April 8, 1815; m. Oct. 20, 1847, to whom not given.

Uriah Howard, b. June 29, 1820; m. Oct. 10, 1848, to whom not given.

Abby A., b. Jan. 30, 1823.

Isaac Newton, b. Nov. 28, 1824; m. Isabel Day, Aug. 12, 1855.

Amos Davis d. Oct. 21, 1851. Mrs. Dorothy d. Dec. 19, 1858.

DAVIS, Ichabod, b. Ledyard, Ct., March 21, 1824, and wf. *Mary (Whipple) Davis*, b. in the same town, came to Hopedale in Dec., 1852, became worthy members of the Community Dec. 14, 1853, and adorned their Christian profession by exemplary lives during their continuance among us. Their chn:—

Elisha, b. in Groton, Ct., Dec. 3, 1846; d. Hopedale, March 8, 1854.

Helen Thwing, b. Hopedale, March 16, 1855; d. Hopedale, May 17, 1856.

Franklin Herbert, b. Hopedale, Dec. 1, 1858; d. Hopedale, March 21, 1859.

Mrs. Mary d. in Hopedale, Aug. 13, 1876, in her 49th yr. Mr. D., soon after his bereavement, left our village, and returned to his native vicinage. There he has since m. his 2d wf.

DAVIS, Orlando J., son of John and Hannah Davis, b. about 1826; m. *Sarah Jane Fisk*, dr. of Jonathan and Gratia (Wilson) Fisk, b. Sept., 1825; cer. Hopedale, Oct. 5, 1849, by the writer. Mr. D.'s family record has not been given me, nor have I recently heard from him. But my funeral register shows that I ministered at the funeral of Luella Fisk, his infant dr., who d. Mil., Aug. 10, 1852, a. 3 mos.; and also at Mrs. Sarah Jane's, who d. Aug. 7, 1853. Further, I am only informed that he has had successively 2 wives, and lost them; and chn. by one, or both. He is now in the far West.

DAVIS, Rev. Benjamin Hill, some yrs. pastor of the Universalist Society here, and wf. *Catherine A.*, are credited on our records with 3 chn.; viz.,—

Ann Eliza, b. Cumberland, R.I., June 11, 1839.

John Murray, b. Wrentham, March 23, 1840.

Valena Jane, b. Attleboro', Aug. 23, 1842.

Possibly they had one or more b. here, who escaped my research.

Mr. D. was a devoted and acceptable pastor in his time, and also at the same time practised considerably as a homœopathic physician. He is still in the Universalist ministry, set. in Biddeford, Me.

OTHER DAVISES IN DIRECTORIES, ETC.

DAVIS, Gaylon, carpenter. 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78, '80. Now firm of G. Davis & Wood Bros.

DAVIS, Zebulon, bootmaker. 1856.

DAVIS, Charles A., bootmaker. 1869.

DAVIS, Orlando J., Jun., bootmaker. 1869.

DAVIS, WILLIAM H., carpenter. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
DAVIS, FRANCIS L., boxmaker. 1872, '75.
DAVIS, JAMES H., boxmaker. 1872.
DAVIS, ORLANDO W., carpenter. 1872, '75.
DAVIS, Miss ABBIE, boards 27 North Bow St. 1875, '78, '80.
DAVIS, CHARLES, farmer, near Bell. line. 1880.
DAVIS, HANNAH H., wid. 1880.
DAVIS, JOHN H., cigar-maker. 1880.
DAVIS, WALTER J., bootmaker. 1880.

DAY, MORDECAI[4] (Mordecai,[3] Samuel,[2] Anthony[1]), b. March 28, 1728; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Wedge. I suppose Anthony[1] to be the English ancestral immigrant. He set. at Cape Ann, where he had a wife, Susannah (King), and 9 chn. He set. there as early as 1645. Just when Mordecai[4] came to our Precinct is not told; but he m., 1st, *Lydia Wiswall*, dr. of Thomas and Sarah (Daniell) Wiswall, b. Oct. 7, 1737; cer. Dec. 15, 1757, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL, b. March 30, 1759; d. Sept. 7, 1761.
NATHAN, b. Nov. 1, 1762; m. Sarah Bridges, Holl., 1790; set. Warren.

Mrs. Lydia d. Aug. 9, 1763, in her 28th yr. The hus. m., 2d, *Tabitha Bullard*, dr. of Benjamin and Judith (Hill) Bullard, b. Holl., Feb. 8, 1734; cer. Holl., May 8, 1766, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

LYDIA, b. Feb. 21, 1767; m. Elihu Perry, May 24, 1787.
URI, b. May 4, 1769; m. Susanna Albee, June 19, 1794; set. Royalston.
JOEL, b. Nov. 16, 1770 or 1771; m. Polly Jones, 1798; set. Mil.

Mordecai Day had his homestead north of the Cedar Swamp, where Isaac S. Claflin now dwells, on whose farm the granite quarries have been opened. Of whom he purchased the bulk of his land, I have not searched to ascertain; but in 1770 and later, he had several small parcels laid out to him from Common. He must have been a hardy, industrious man, judging from the remains to be seen about the old home. So far as records and traditions indicate, he and his family maintained a good moral standing. Doubtless he had to contend with rattlesnakes, which abounded in that neighborhood, and which had favorite haunts on his own estate; for it was at one of them that I saw several killed in 1824, — the remnant progeny of a former multitude. The patriarch little dreamed of the noble rifts of granite to be quarried from his solid ledges, and still less of the railroad whose thundering cars now daily pass and repass his old-time garden. At length he made his will, a copy of which is before me at this writing, and left his property to his chn. He d. Dec. 1, 1815, in his 88th yr. Mrs. Tabitha had departed before him. She d. Jan. 31, 1809, in her 74th yr.

DAY, JOEL[5] (Mordecai,[4] Mordecai,[3] Samuel,[2] Anthony[1]), b. Nov. 16, 1770 or 1771; m. *Polly Jones*, dr. of Nathaniel Alden and Lois (Claflin) Jones, b. Framingham, date not found; cer. early in 1798, prob. in Fram.; by whom not learned. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL, b. Dec. 14, 1801; m. Evelina Eames, April 8, 1830.
LEVI FISK, b. Dec. 6, 1806; d. April 2, 1809.
DEXTER STONE, b. June 6, 1810; d. March 6, 1811.
LUCY PARKHURST, b. May 17, 1813; d. Sept. 2, 1817.
ABIGAIL FAXON, b. Dec. 13, 1818; d. May 13, 1832.

Joel and family dwelt on the patrimonial homestead. Worthy people; much bereaved. He d. Aug. 3, 1833. Mrs. Polly d. long before him, Feb. 1, 1809.

DAY, SAMUEL[6] (Joel,[5] Mordecai,[4] Mordecai,[3] Samuel,[2] Anthony[1]), b. Dec. 14, 1801; m. his cousin, *Evelina Eames*, dr. of Phinehas and Izanna (Jones) Eames, b. Mil., July 23, 1799; cer. April 8, 1830, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

WINSLOW, b. Feb., 1831; d. Aug. 21 ensuing.

HIRAM JONES, b. Nov. 4, 1832; d. Worcester, a. 36 yrs.; last of the family.

Samuel inherited the old farm, but soon sold it to strangers, and built him a house in the Centre. For some reason he became discontented there, and disposed of his premises a little while before real estate took a remarkable rise. The fortunate purchaser was Rev. G. W. Stacy. Mr. Day, with dwindling property and threatening infirmities, sought his fortune elsewhere. At length, pecuniarily and physically broken down, he d. in our asylum, June 10, 1876, little blamed and much pitied by his considerate townsmen. His wf., Mrs. Evelina, preceded him, having d. Jan. 28, 1866.

Several other Day families have for some yrs. res. in town, who must be distantly, if at all, related to the foregoing lineage. Among these are the following: —

DAY, CHARLES S. W.; ancestry not given; son of Stephen Whitney and Elvira L. (Fiske) Day; b. Rutland, March 30, 1825; bootmaker; m. *Melancy L. Darling*, dr. of Zelek and Sarah Ann (Humphrey) Darling, b. Sutton, April 2, 1830; cer. Mil., Jan. 8, 1852, by Rev. George W. Stacy. Their chn.: —

CHARLES Z., b. Mil., Nov. 4, 1852; d. Aug. 4, 1853.

NETTIE ELVIRA, b. Mil., Jan. 23, 1857.

Exemplary and estimable people.

IN DIRECTORIES.

DAY, MICHAEL, res. Main St. 1856.
DAY, DAVID L., res. South St. 1856, '78, '80.
DAY, PATRICK, laborer. 1856, '72.
DAY, THOMAS O., res. Central St. 1856.
DAY, CORNELIUS T., clerk. 1869, '75, '78, '80.
DAY, GILMAN B., carpenter. 1869, '72, '75, '78.
DAY, MOSES, bootmaker. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
DAY, ROBERT, laborer. 1869.
DAY, JOSEPH, shoemaker. 1872, '75.
DAY, CHARLES, bootmaker. 1875.
DAY, LEON G., clerk. 1875, '80.
DAY, HARRY N., clerk. 1878, '80.
DAY, EDWARD, grammar-school teacher. 1880.
DAY, LIZZIE S., clerk. 1880.
DAY, FLORENCE M., Hopedale. 1880.

DEAN. We have had few families of this name in town. The eldest and most abiding of these was that of the late Capt. Sylvester Dean. He came here in 1815, and served two or three yrs., if I mistake not, as salesman and clerk in the store of Pearley Hunt, Esq., near Charles-river Bridge. In 1818 he bought of Esq. Hunt the store-building, and perhaps goods on hand, — but certainly the building, — and about half an acre of land. There he continued his mercantile business for many yrs., down to old age. He was a man of reserved, quiet, and exemplary habits, altogether averse to noise and display. He was much respected by his fellow-citizens, and, besides serving as captain of militia in his younger days, held from time to time several town offices of trust and

responsibility, among others that of town-treasurer to great public satisfaction. Meantime he m., and raised up a respectable family. I intended to ascertain his exact lineal descent, but have not found it convenient to do so. He is a descendant of either John or Walter Dean, two bros. b. in or near Taunton, Eng., who came to Boston in 1637, stopped a yr. in Dorchester, and then, with others, set. at Taunton, Bristol Co., — naming it, from reverential affection, after their native English Taunton. I knew Capt. Dean's parents, and several family relatives in Franklin. The late Dr. Oliver Dean, founder of Dean Academy in Franklin, was his elder brother. The Deans are of an ancient and honorable race, many of whose scions have distinguished themselves in the learned professions and in public positions of life.

DEAN, Capt. SYLVESTER, son of Seth and Edina (Pond) Dean, b. Franklin, April 10, 1790; merchant; m. *Charlotte Cutler*, dr. of Simeon and Lydia (Grant) Cutler, b. Medway, March 18, 1801; cer. in Medway, Jan. 25, 1821, by Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide; always res. Mil. Their chn.: —

MARIA E., b. Nov. 15, 1821; m. Warren Carpenter of N.Y., June 28, 1848; d. Jan. 28, 1871.

CHARLOTTE C., b. Sept. 11, 1823; m. Hon. John C. Park of Boston, Nov. 1, 1854.

OLIVER, b. Aug. 29, 1825; d. Mil., May 14, 1875.

SOPHIA L., b. Aug. 8, 1827; m. Seth Chamberlain of Boston, June 15, 1853; d. July 14, 1878.

CAROLINE S., b. Aug. 5, 1829; m. William Pettet, Nov. 7, 1850.

FRANCES L. G., b. March 8, 1831; d. Aug. 18, 1864.

WILLIAM B., b. Dec. 25, 1834; m. Eliza Rercheval of St. Louis, Mo., April 11, 1871.

LOUISA C., b. Nov. 16, 1839; m. John Bliss of Springfield, Nov. 7, 1860.

ALBERT C., b. Feb. 2, 1842; m. E. J. Bailey of Dorchester, June 6, 1872.

Mrs. Carpenter was m. by Rev. Preston Pond; res. 10 yrs. in Brooklyn, N.Y.; had 1 son and 2 drs. there; and removed in 1858, with her family, to St. Paul, Minn.; whence she came to her parental home in declining health, and d. Mrs. Park was m. by Rev. Dr. Chandler Robbins, res. at Newton, and has 2 sons. Oliver lived at Lowell several yrs. prior to 1850, then went to California, and passed most of his remaining days on the Pacific coast, but finally returned, and, through the misfortune of cerebral disease, was impelled to suicide. Mrs. Chamberlain was m. by Rev. James T. Woodbury; set., lived, and d. in Boston, leaving with her bereaved hus. 3 sons. Mrs. Pettet was m. by Rev. Preston Pond; res. in New Jersey, and has had 5 chn., of whom 3 drs. and a son survive. William B went to New York early in life; res. there till the outbreak of the Rebellion, when he enlisted in the 22d Regt. N.Y. Vols. for 90 ds., and marched to the front. He re-enlisted in the 127th Regt. for 3 yrs., and served till discharged. Subsequently he m. at San Francisco a lady belonging to St. Louis, Mo., and removed thither. He has since res. there. He has had 2 chn., one of whom, a son, survives. Mrs. Bliss was. m. by Rev. James T. Woodbury; res. in West Newton, and is the mother of 6 chn., — 3 drs. and 3 sons. Albert was m. to his Dorchester bride by Rev. B. W. Barrows of Neponset; res. in Boston, and has 3 chn.; viz., Fannie L., b. April 30, 1873; Robert C., b. Sept. 25, 1875; and Franklin B., b. Feb. 9, 1877. Capt. Sylvester d. Nov. 16, 1878, in his 89th yr. Mrs. Charlotte d. April 5, 1880, in her 79th year.

DEAN, SAMUEL P., son of Nathaniel and Rebecca; birth-date, etc., not ascertained. Freight-master on the railroad; m. *Delia M. Holbrook*, dr. of Ben-

jamin and Hannah Holbrook, b. Mendon, Sept. 20, 1825; cer. in Mil., Feb. 21, 1850, by the writer. She d. in this town, July 29, 1867.

I have been unable to obtain their family record in respect to chn., if any they had.

DEAN, ALBERTUS, son of James M. and Patience W. (Holbrook) Dean, b. Woonsocket, R.I., 1852; R.Rd. station agent; m. *Sarah Lois Crosby*, dr. of Isaac N. and Maria F. (Howard) Crosby, b. in Mil., 1854; cer. at the bride's parental home, July 16, 1878, by the writer. No chn. reported.

DEAN, OSBORN M.; pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Callie Claflin*, dr. of Dexter and Lucy (Stone) Claflin, b. Oct., 1852; cer. Oct. 25, 1872. He soon left his wf. a widow. I am not further informed in the case.

DEAN, Rev. OLIVER STONE, present pastor of the First Cong. Ch., son of George T. and Caroline (Hawley) Dean, b. in Patterson, Putnam Co., N.Y., Oct. 13, 1835; grew up on a farm, abundant with comforts and labors, in companionship with a favorite elder bro. and two younger sisters, and, at the age of 17 yrs., joined the Presbyterian Ch. of his native town, of which his parents were members and his fr. a deacon. His early education was in the common schools, supplemented by a few winters' training in the select school. In 1853 he and his bro., Rev. William H. Dean of East Oakland, Cal., commenced preparations for college under the tuition of Mr. H. S. Newcomb, a grad. of Dartmouth College, then in charge of the academy in Patterson. In March, 1855, both entered Lafayette College, Easton, Penn., as freshmen six months advanced. They grad. July 28, 1858, Oliver S. being the valedictorian of his class.

His subsequent career in life may be summarized thus: Professor of Mathematics in Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, Towanda, Bradford Co., Penn., one yr., and then principal of that institution for two yrs.; m. to his present wf., then in charge of the female department of the same institute, July 12, 1860; next yr., impressed with a sense of duty to preach, began his pre-requisite studies, and entered the middle class of Princeton Theo. Sem. in Sept., 1861, thence graduating in April, 1863; was a few months financial agt. of the institute at Towanda, whereof he had been principal; then called to the pastorate of the Cong. Ch., Roxbury, Ct., where he was ordained July 6, 1864; had a successful ministry, and exerted a powerful influence in behalf of his country amid the perils of the great Rebellion, by eloquent patriotic addresses to the faltering hearts of the people. At the end of four yrs. he accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Cong. Ch., Kalamazoo, Mich., and entered on his duties there in Oct., 1867. In 1873 he accepted a call to Plymouth Ch., Indianapolis, Ind. Thence he was called to his present pastorate here, where he was installed Sept. 20, 1877. Eminent success seems to have attended his active ministry, and his talents have given him a commanding place among his brethren. This has been obvious from the responsibilities they have repeatedly called him to discharge. He preached the closing sermon before the Michigan State Cong. Association in 1868, was moderator of that body at their session of 1869, and delivered the opening sermon at their meeting in Grand Rapids, 1870. He was elected vice-president of the Triennial Convention of Ten States assembled at Chicago in 1873, and, at their next meeting, president of that body. In the spring of 1876 he was chosen chairman of the Board of Examiners of the Chicago Theological Seminary. All this is an ample testimony, not only to his abilities, but to the stanchness of his orthodoxy.

He was m. to *Mrs. Anna Cooper Kellogg*, above alluded to, dr. of James and Ruth (Clark) Cooper of Corning, N.Y.; cer. at Corning, July 12, 1860, by Rev. Charles Morton. No report of chn. given me.

DENNETT, WINBURN RUSSELL, son of Winburn and Sarah (Frost) Dennett, b. North Berwick, Me., Nov. 1, 1824; pattern-maker; m. *Martha Durgin*, dr. of Charles and Jane (Cram) Durgin, b. Berwick, Me., July 8, 1831; cer. April 15, 1849, by Rev. John Davis of Dover, N.H. Issue: —

BLANCH, b. So. Berwick, Me., March 15, 1852; d. Feb. 14, 1858.
ALMA, b. Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 25, 1854; d. Jan. 6, 1858.
WINBURN, b. Lawrence, Mass., July 5, 1856; d. Dec. 18, 1857.
CLARA ESTELLE, b. Manchester, N.H., July 1, 1860; m. Harlan H. Hart, Nov. 23, 1879.
PERLEY, b. Manchester, N.H., 1863; d. Oct. 24, 1865.
LILLA, b. Hopedale, March 26, 1868.
MORTIMER SHERMAN, b. Hopedale, June 18, 1871.
WINBURN, b. Hopedale, July 27, 1873; d. Sept. 5, 1873.

Reputable family. Mr. Dennett is an ingenious, industrious, faithful workman in his line of business, and commands good compensation. He has a comfortable homestead in Berwick, Me., to which he can retire with his family at pleasure. He has been at Hopedale since July 6, 1865.

DESPEAUX. I find this name spelled on our records in various ways, — Despair, Desper, Disper, Dispeau, and Despeaux. This last is the most recent. It is said to be warranted by a genealogical pamphlet somewhere extant, which claims to give, on good authority, the original French family name in this orthography. I have never seen the pamphlet, but some of the descendants have; and so I conform.

DESPEAUX, EDWARD, reputed to have been an only child; b. Chelsea, Nov. 23, 1740; m. *Elizabeth Hunting*, b. Sept. 24, 1747; cer. Feb. 9, 1763. Their chn.: —

HANNAH, b. Aug. 11, 1764.
JOSEPH, b. Feb. 19, 1766; m. and set. in Grafton.
MARY, b. Dec. 17, 1767.
BETSEY, b. Nov. 2, 1769; m. Amos Merrifield, Leicester, Vt., Feb. 12, 1795.
ABIGAIL, b. June 29, 1771; m. Nathaniel Kimball, Medway, May 29, 1794.
SARAH, b. March 27, 1776; d. soon after birth.
SARAH, b. Nov. 14, 1777; d. soon after birth.
SALLY, b. Feb. 7, 1779; d. soon after birth.
JASON, b. Aug. 1, 1780; m. Rebecca North, April 17, 1808.[1]
JOHN, b. June 6, 1782; m. Rachel Ball, July 5, 1807.
JESSE, b. Feb. 28, 1784; m. Anna Pond, Holl., Sept. 10, 1807.
PHEBE, b. Feb. 4, 1786; m. Henry Leland of Sherborn.
JAMES, b. May 25, 1789; m. Anna Cheney of Ward.
LOIS, b. June 25, 1793.

This family were among the multitude warned out of town under the pauperphobia panic of 1791. He was then styled cordwainer, and it is not told whence he came. But, like most others of the warned-out, he came to stay, and did stay, with most of his chn. He dwelt many yrs., as a tenant, in an old domicile that stood just east of William Miller's hot-house, a little out from Cedar St., in the near vicinity of Pine-grove Cemetery. He was an industrious,

[1] Jason lived to be an old man, and d. childless. He claimed to have read the Bible through in course 7 times, and to have walked 10,000 miles.

frugal man, frequently in needy circumstances, and withal quite orthodox in his religious notions. He had a great abhorrence of Universalism, though often a recipient of favors from Noah Wiswall, one of its earliest professors in this town. It is reported that Wiswall donated to Despeaux a load of firewood on a certain occasion, that Parson Frost made Despeaux a pastoral call the next day, and that, during the call, Despeaux made a complimentary reference to Wiswall in these words: "Parson Frost, don't you think! the good Lord sent me a nice load of wood yesterday by the hand of the Devil." He d. at his dr. Kimball's in Medway, Feb. 23, 1822. Mrs. Elizabeth, at the same kind home, d. March 2 immediately ensuing.

DESPEAUX, JESSE[2] (Edward[1]), b., I presume, Mil., Feb. 28, 1784; m. *Anna Pond*, dr. of Aaron and Silence (Underwood) Pond, b. in Holl., Aug. 3, 1789; cer. in Mil., Sept. 10, 1807, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.:—

JOSEPH, b. Mil., March 12, 1808; m. Lavina Adams, Feb. 18, 1830; also 2d and 3d wives.

SILENCE, b. Mil., June 22, 1810; m. Henry Leland, Dec. 11, 1832.

VAN RENSSELLAER, b. Mil., Sept. 30, 1812; m. Catherine Goodnow; res. on an island in Lake Erie.

BETSEY, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1814; m. Alford Angel, July 3, 1836.

EDWARD, b. Mil., April 17, 1817; unfortunate, blind, etc.; res. in our asylum.

ANNA, b. Mil., 1819; m., 1st, Hiram Gould; 2d, Reuben H. Cook; both d.

JESSE, Jun., b. Mil., May 5, 1821; m. Mary R. Reed of Acton, Sept. 11, 1842.

SALLY or SARAH, b. Mil., April 10, 1826; m. Orrin Sweet of Mil.

SAMUEL, b. Mil., May 16, 1828; m. Mary Knight of Acton; res. Boston.

NAMELESS INFT., b. Mil., Sept., 1831; d. Nov. 2, a. 7 weeks.

Mr. Despeaux, the hus. and fr., d. of small-pox in this town, June 31, 1837, a. 53 yrs. Mrs. Anna, his wid., d. July 11, 1871, in her 83d yr. All their chn. survive, excepting Silence, and the youngest, that d. in early infancy. Joseph res. in Medway; also Betsey, now a wid.; Van Renssellaer, on a small island in Lake Erie; Edward, in our asylum; Anna, the 2d time a wid., in Boston; Jesse, in Upton; Sarah, Mrs. Orrin Sweet, in town; and Samuel, in Boston. Jesse is so near us, and so often among us, that I give his family record.

DESPEAUX, JESSE, Jun.[3] (Jesse,[2] Edward[1]), b. in Mil., May 5, 1821; m. Mary R. Reed, Sept. 11, 1842. Issue:—

JESSE GARDNER, b. Sept. 19, 1844.

OREN TRASK, b. Oct. 11, 1847.

LUCY ANNA, b. Sept. 13, 1850; d. Sept. 13, 1851.

JOHN WILLIAM, b. July 11, 1853; d. July 14, 1854.

An industrious, enterprising, worthy family. They res. in Upton, but are well known in Mil.

DEWEY, CHARLES AUGUSTUS, Esq., son of Hon. Charles Augustus and Mrs. Caroline H. (Clinton) Dewey, b. Northampton, Dec. 29, 1830; m. *Marietta N. Thayer*, dr. of Alexander White Thayer and Marietta (Dustan), his wf., b. in Worcester, June 22, 1847; cer. Mil., March 12, 1867, by Rev. George G. Jones. Issue:—

MARIA THAYER, b. Aug. 8, 1872.

Mr. D. is judge of our Worcester Co. South-east District Court. He has a distinguished ptge. and ancestry, his fr. having just retired from the bench of our State Supreme Court, and his mr. being of corresponding social rank. His wf., too, has the ancestral honor of being a descendant of the celebrated Hannah Dustan of Haverhill, whose captivity among the Indians was so thrillingly nar-

rated in olden times. I expected Judge Dewey to have given me the outline of his story as a scholar, lawyer, etc.; but either through modesty, misapprehension of my wishes, or my neglect to urge the matter, I find myself unable to specify any particulars of his graduation, admission to the bar, etc. Of his appointment to his judgeship, etc., something may be found in Chap. XVI., "Succession of Civil Officers, etc." — head, "Police Court." He has res. in town some 15 yrs., I think; has rendered various official services to his fellow-citizens, and eminent ones on the school board.

DEWING, JOHN, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Patience Sumner*, dr. of James and Mary (Bigelow) Sumner, b. Nov. 2, 1756; cer. Sept. 21, 1780, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

PENELOPE, b. Feb. 1, 1781; m. Jonathan Bowker, date not found.

DANIEL, b. March 5, 1784; d. Feb. 2, 1796, a. 12 yrs.

POLLY, b. Aug. 3, 1787.

JAMES, b. March 28, 1791.

HANNAH, b. Oct. 8, 1794.

ABIGAIL, b. July 26, 1797.

The fr. d. in Hop., Sept. 11, 1833.

Our records are barren in respect to this family beyond the above data. What became of the mr. and chn. I have yet to learn. I think they must have taken up their abode outside our municipal limits.

DEWING, FRANK, clerk, appears in Directories, 1872, '75, '78, '80.

DEWING, DWIGHT C., bootmaker, appears in Directories, 1878, '80.

Frank Dewing, above named, now res. in Hopedale, as clerk in the employ of George Draper & Sons. He m. *Sarah Frances Cummings*, dr. of Dr. Royal Cummings, and Sarah (Carpenter) Cummings, his wf., b. in Northbridge, Aug. 16, 1848; cer. Jan. 1, 1872. They have 1 child.

Doubtless others of this name have been transient dwellers among us.

DEWNER, ANDREW, was the slave of the first Josiah Ball. A friend in Boston made him a present of Andrew when a babe only 4 weeks old. If the reader will turn to the family record of Ball, under the proper head, he will find two versions of the traditional story about how he came by Andrew, — how he brought him home from Boston a young babe, how his wf. was frightened at the outcry of a black baby on her bed, how Andrew grew up a trusty slave, was made free at 21 yrs. of age, exchanged his freedom-horse for a wf. named *Rose* in Marlboro' (formerly including Westboro'), and was comfortably settled by Ball on a little homestead, where he raised up a family, lived and died. I knew him in his old age, dwelling in his humble No. Purchase home. But I cannot give, with any accuracy, his birth-date, or the particulars of his marriage to Rose. They had several chn., concerning whom I can tell only the little that has reached me. They had certainly 2 sons and 3 drs.; viz.,—

JUDITH, prob. eldest, b. March 2, 1768; m. Luke Smith as her 2d hus.; the 1st not known.

DINAH, birth-date not found; m. George Smith, Grafton, 1792.

ACHSA, birth-date not found; m. Pero Gardner, Wrentham, 1793; d. Feb. 12, 1803.

ANDREW, birth-date not found; went off to sea, and never returned.

HENRY, birth-date not found; went to sea, but finally d. in Boston.

I get no clew to the name of Judith's 1st hus. Her 2d was of Boston, and d., leaving her in widowhood. She ultimately found support in our town asy-

lum, where she d. April 19, 1872, at the remarkable age of over 104 yrs. Andrew is supposed to have been sold as a slave in Georgia by a villanous sea-captain under whom he went to sea. Mr. Lewis Cobb, when out in Georgia, recognized him in a slave-gang, but could not speak with him.[1] Henry followed the seas, but finally d. in Boston. Dinah and hus. moved to Boston, and prob. d. there. She had a son who came up to Mil., and d. with his gd. parents in 1820. When and where Achsa and her hus. d., I get no information. Andrew, the fr., d at his home in No. Purchase in 1825. Mrs. Rose went to live with her chn. in Boston. She was carefully assisted to get there in safety by Mrs. Luther Haven. She d. there a few yrs. later. I am indebted for several of the foregoing facts to my friends Elias Whitney and Isaac C. Haven. If the record of this family is imperfect on earth, I have no doubt it is complete in heaven.

DICKINSON, Dr. GIDEON[3] (Capt. John D.,[2] Gideon[1]), b. Williamston, Vt., date not given; mr.'s maiden name Chloe Hatch; m. *Martha L. Knox*, Boston, dr. of Charles H. and Harriet (Crockett) Knox, birth-date not given; cer. Boston, 1859, by Rev. George H. Hepworth. Issue:—

MAUD, b. Boston, April 23, 1866.

Dr. D.'s gd. frs., on both the paternal and maternal sides, were Revolutionary soldiers, were in the battle of Bennington, fought through the entire war, and were pensioners in old age till death. So he has live patriotic and martial blood running in his veins, which he does not allow to stagnate. He left home at the a. of 16 yrs., went to Goffstown, N.H., and there worked and attended school 2 yrs., thus fitting himself to be a teacher. Thence he came to Mil., entered the office of Dr. Francis Leland, and studied medicine and pharmacy. After spending several yrs. as a student with Dr. Leland, and sundry private teachers of Greek, Latin, and French, he went, in 1855, to Paris, where he attended lectures in the Medical College, and also academic courses in the *Sorbonne* and College of France. He then travelled several months on the continent, and in England and Scotland, returned to Mil. in 1857, and has since successfully practised both medicine and dentistry, having offices here and in Boston. He cultivates his literary taste with assiduity, and not only admires fine poetry, but has printed several productions of his own muse. Principal among these is one published in pamphlet-form, entitled "A Hundred Years; or, Milford's First Centennial. In Three Cantos." 1880. Several other effusions, of similar vim and merit, appeared, during 1880, in "The Boston Traveller."

DIX, JAMES, pedigree untraced; m. *Submit Fairbank* of Holl., pedigree untraced; cer. March 19, 1771, by Rev. A. Frost. Had 1 child bap. here by Mr. Frost; viz., MOLLY, Nov. 12, 1775. No further traced.

DIXON, WARREN, and *Polly*, had born to them, —

HOSEA, b. May 3, 1797.

DIXON, MARVIN, and *Mary*, are credited also with 1 birth, —

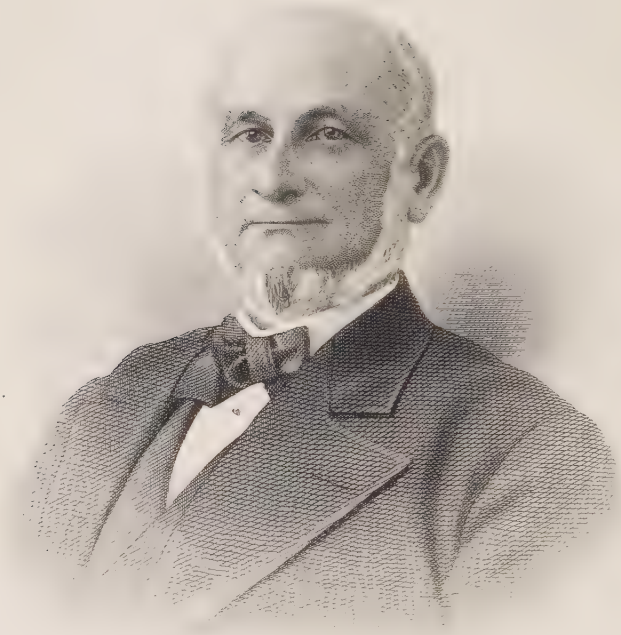
LEWIS, b. Feb. 28, 1796.

Whence these Dixons came, and whither they went, I learn not.

DIXON, THOMAS, and *Bertha*, res. some yrs. ago in Hopedale, and had several chn.; but I can give only the names of 2 that died there; viz., —

THOMAS ALEXANDER, d. Oct. 12, 1866, a. 3 yrs. and 10 mos.

[1] Since writing the foregoing, my friend Alfred Bragg, who claims to be better informed, says that Andrew, jun., was sold into slavery in Cuba, W.I.; that Ezekiel Madden of Milford, who traded more or less in Cuba, and who knew Andrew well, saw him there in slavery; and that, having come home and procured the necessary legal documents to secure Andrew's freedom, he died on his passage back to Cuba. So the kidnapped victim was left to his fate.



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WALTER B., d. April 4, 1867, a. 2 yrs. and 6 mos.

Mrs. Bertha, the wf. and mr., d. at Whitinsville, whither the family had removed, June 13, 1874, a. 33 yrs. Her remains were brought to Hopedale for burial.

DOVE, CHARLES, son of John and Elizabeth, b. in Bubwith, Eng., Oct. 15, 1822; m., 1st, *Elizabeth Humphrey*, dr. of Richard and Catherine (Thomas) Humphrey, b. Chester, Eng., March 4, 1822; cer. Manchester Cathedral, Eng., July 21, 1849, by Rev. Mr. Johnson. Issue:—

CHARLES WILLIAM, b. Manchester, Eng., Sept. 1, 1851.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. in Mil., Sept. 22, 1868. The hus. m., 2d, *Helen Maria Safford*, dr. of Hiram and Ruby (Jumper) Safford, b. Dexter, Me., Oct. 22, 1838; cer. at Chelsea, Mass., March 16, 1878, by Rev. John T. Burrill. Issue:—

CHARLOTTE ALICE, b. Mil., Jan. 9, 1879.

Reputable people, industrially, civilly, and religiously. Mr. D. has res. in Mil. about 27 yrs. He is by occupation a boot-packer.

DRAPER. The Drapers are among our comparatively modern inhabitants, but they are also among the ancients of the Commonwealth. There were prob. several early immigrants of this name from Eng. unrelated to each other by family ties. The following is the substance of a document left by Ira Draper of Saugus at his death. I received it from his son, George Draper of Hopedale, and present a faithful digest of its essential data:—

THOMAS DRAPER[1] was of Heptontill Parish, Halifax Vicarage, Yorkshire, Eng.

JAMES DRAPER[2] was of Heptontill Parish, Halifax Vicarage; d. July, 1691, a. 75 yrs. His wf. *Miriam*, dr. of Gideon Stansfield, or Standfast, d. Jan., 1697, a. 77.

So deposed John Draper of Dedham, under oath, at Roxbury, April 28, 1742.

JAMES DRAPER,[3] supposed son of James,[2] d. April 30, 1698, and *Abigail*, his supposed wf., Oct. 25, 1721; he a. 44, she 59 yrs.

Taken from gravestones in Roxbury.

JAMES DRAPER[4] d. April 24, 1768, a. 77. Dedham gravestones.

This James m. *Rachel Aldis*, May 2, 1716. He m., 2d, *Abigail Child*, Nov. 12, 1719. Their chn.:—

JAMES DRAPER,[5] son of James[4] and Abigail Child, b. Sept. 22, 1720; d. March, 1781.

ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 12, 1721.

JOHN, b. June 16, 1723; d. Nov. 8, 1748.

JOSHUA, b. Dec. 25, 1724.

JOSIAH, b. April 3, 1726; d. Aug. 18, same yr.

JOSIAH, b. Sept. 12, 1727; d. Sept., 1795.

RACHEL, b. June 30, 1729.

MARY, b. Sept. 24, 1731.

ABIJAH, b. July 17, 1733; d. Nov. 18, 1734.

ABIJAH, 2d, b. July 11, 1735; d. Feb. 13, 1737.

ABIJAH, 3d, b. May 10, 1737; d. May 1, 1780.

SAMUEL, b. Dec. 5, 1740; d. Nov. 29, 1750.

DRAPER, ABIJAH[6] (James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 10, 1737; m. *Alice*, dr. of John and Elizabeth Eaton, who was b. Jan. 31, 1741, and d. Jan. 22, 1777; cer. April 8, 1762. Their chn.:—

ABIJAH, b. June 21, 1763; d. Dec. 16, 1774.

Ira, b. Dec. 29, 1764; twice m.; d. Jan. 22, 1848.
Rufus, b. Nov. 12, 1766; d. Norfolk, Va., Nov. 15, 1788.
James, b. April 14, 1769.
Alice, b. April 13, 1771; m. Ebenezer Daggett; d. New Boston, N.H., a. 81 yrs.
Abijah, 2d, b. Sept. 22, 1778; m. Desire Metcalf, March 25, 1778; d. March 26, 1836. Mrs. Desire d. 1815, a. 69 yrs.
Lendamine, b. March 30, 1780; d. Oct., 1823.

DRAPER, Ira[7] (Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 29, 1764; m., 1st, *Lydia*, dr. of Lemuel and Rebecca Richards, b. Jan. 21, 1768; cer. May 31, 1786. Their chn.: —

James, b. May 28, 1787; res. in Wayland, and d. there a few yrs. ago.
Ira, Jun., b. Jan. 4. 1789; d. June, 1845.
Rufus, b. Aug. 30, 1790; d. Sept. 4, same yr.
A daughter, b. Aug. 7, 1791.
A son, b. Dec. 17, 1793.
Lucy C., b. June 17, 1797; d. Sept. 15, 1800.
Rufus Foster, b. July 12, 1800; m. Polly Hemenway; d. Oct. 13, 1841.
Abijah, 1st, b. Jan. 5, 1802; d. Oct. 4, same yr.
Abijah, 2d, b. Nov. 15, 1803; d. Dec. 21, 1828.
A daughter, b. Dec. 1, 1807.

Mrs. Lydia d. Sept. 11, 1811. The hus. m., 2d, her sister, *Abigail Richards*, b. Sept. 12, 1782; cer. March 19, 1812. Their chn.: —

Ebenezer Daggett, b. June 14, 1813; m., 1st, Anna Thwing, Sept. 11, 1834; 2d, M. P. Boynton, 1872.
Lydia, b. March 31, 1815; m. John Edmands; d. April 4, 1847.
George, b. Aug. 16, 1817; m. Hannah B. Thwing, March 6, 1839.
Abigail, b. Oct. 24, 1819; m. William W. Cook; d. July 22, 1847.
Lemuel Richards, b. Dec. 1, 1823; m. Lydia M. Mansfield.
Lucy R., b. Dec. 22, 1826; d. July, 1827.

Mrs. Abigail d. March 3, 1847. The hus. and fr. d. Jan. 22, 1848, a. over 84 yrs. He was a man of large natural intelligence, mechanical ingenuity, and progressive thought. I shall formulate the family records of only such chn. and descendants as have dwelt in this town.

DRAPER, Ebenezer Daggett[8] (Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Weston, June 14, 1813; m., 1st, *Anna Thwing*, dr. of Benjamin and Anna (Mowry) Thwing, b. Uxbridge, Dec. 23, 1814; cer. Sept. 11, 1834, by Rev. Samuel Clarke, minister of Ux. This couple had no chn. of their own loins, but several by adoption; viz.: —

Ida Anna, b. July 12, 1828; d. July 12, 1833, at Hopedale.
Mary Anna, b. Aug. 15, 1852; res. in Boston; unm.
Charles Henry Eaton, b. Aug. 15, 1852. He was a son of Rev. Henry A. Eaton, once pastor of the Pearl St. Universalist Society in this town. His parents d., leaving him and a sister orphans. They were kindly cared for several yrs. at Hopedale, in the family of Ichabod Davis. At the age of 14 yrs. he was adopted by E. D. and Anna T. Draper, without change of name, and carried through a thorough course of liberal education. He grad. at Tufts College in 1875, and in its divinity class of 1877. He was immediately sought for by several societies as their pastor, and soon set. over the Universalist Ch. and society at Palmer. There he officiated with great acceptance and success till recently called to the pastorship of the

Church of the Divine Paternity in New York City, as successor to the celebrated Dr. Chapin.

Ebenezer D. Draper, and Anna, his wf., became religiously interested in my ministry while I was pastor of the First Ch. in Mendon. They then res. in Ux., but were constant attendants and communicants. Afterwards they moved to Saugus. When I projected the Community at Hopedale, they heartily entered into the undertaking, became original members, joined myself and family there, about the first of April, 1842, in the "Old House," and were main pillars in the institution until its decadence; he being some yrs. its president, next in succession to myself. After he and his bro. George decided on the dissolution of its unitary financial and industrial organization, in 1856, they combined their accumulated capital, and prosecuted their business, with augmenting success, through a series of years; but at length E. D. embarked in the American Steam Fire-proof Safe Co. in Boston. Meantime Mrs. Anna became the suffering victim of an incurable cancerous affection on the breast, from which she d. Jan. 30, 1870, universally beloved and lamented. Her hus. almost immediately afterward moved to Boston, soon disposing of his property here, and investing it largely in the new enterprise. This proved unsuccessful, and swallowed up much of his capital; but he bore his adversities with commendable resignation, and fell back on religious consolation. Subsequently he formed a second marriage connection, uniting with Mrs. *Mary (Parker) Boynton;* cer. Oct. 18, 1872, by Rev. Lewis L. Briggs. The union seems to be a happy one, and they are living in comfortable circumstances at Boston Highlands. Mr. Draper will long be remembered for the numerous and liberal donations he dispensed in the days of his prosperity.

DRAPER, GEORGE[8] (Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Weston, Aug. 16, 1817; m. *Hannah Brown Thwing*, dr. of Benjamin and Anna (Mowry) Thwing, b. Uxbridge, Jan. 1, 1817; cer. March 6, 1839, by the writer. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM FRANKLIN, b. Lowell, April 9, 1842; of the firm "George Draper & Sons."

GEORGIANA T., b. Lowell, June 30, 1844; d. July 23, 1844.

HELEN L., b. Lowell, July 11, 1845; d. Aug. 10, 1847.

FRANCES EUDORA, b. Ware, July 26, 1847; m. Charles H. Colburn, Feb. 20, 1868.

A SON, b. Ware, Dec. 15, 1850; stillborn, or lived too briefly for a name.

HANNAH THWING, b. Ware, April 11, 1853; m. Edward Louis Osgood, Boston, Jan. 20, 1881.

GEORGE ALBERT, b. Hopedale, Nov. 4, 1855; of the firm of "George Draper & Sons."

EBEN SUMNER, b. Hopedale, June 17, 1858; of the firm "George Draper & Sons."

George Draper began the world with an empty purse, but was richly endowed with mechanical genius, ambitious enterprise, shrewd intelligence, sound business judgment, and indomitable persistency of purpose. With these, and the faithful co-operation of a wf. rich in all the qualities necessary to match and complement his own, he has successfully risen to wealth and distinction. He is still vigorously pushing his fortune, finding abundant opportunities to dispense liberally to public and private charities from the treasury of his large accumulations; and he has the high satisfaction of seeing his children well launched on the same sea of prosperous social and business enter-

prise. He and his family are too well and extensively known to justify further description. See his likeness, in its place.

DRAPER, LEMUEL RICHARDS[8] (Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 1, 1823; m. *Lydia M. Mansfield*, dr. of David and Esther (Williams) Mansfield, b. Lynnfield, Dec. 5, 1824; cer. Lynnfield, Jan. 1, 1845, by Rev. Mr. Rice. Their chn.: —

EDWARD MANSFIELD, b. Saugus, April 10, 1846; d. Sept. 9, 1848.

ANNETTA LOUISE, b. Saugus, Sept. 28, 1847; m. Jonas Hale Carter, Berlin, Nov. 30, 1871.

OSCAR EUGENE, b. Mil., April 12, 1850; m. Emma L. Hunt, Oct. 12, 1869; and a 2d wf.

EVA RICHARDS, b. Worcester, Aug. 31, 1854; a successful public-school teacher.

MINNIE ELIZA, b. Hopedale, March 1, 1857; d. Jan. 12, 1860.

WILLIAM LEMUEL, b. Hopedale, Aug. 29, 1861; res. No. Brookfield.

Lemuel and family have res. in Saugus, Lynnfield, Worcester, Milford, and No. Brookfield. He is an active business man; has superintended various establishments and job contracts, and, with his companion, struggled resolutely against adversity into his present comfortable situation. He has been less fortunate in pecuniary accumulation than some of his brothers, but has occupied responsible managemental positions, and filled up life with industrial enterprise.

DRAPER, GEN. WILLIAM FRANKLIN[9] (George,[8] Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Lowell, April 9, 1842; m. *Lydia D. W. Joy*, dr. of David T. and Lydia D. (Bunker) Warren, adopted dr. of Hon. David and Charlotte A. Joy, b. Brattleboro', Vt., Aug. 31, 1843; cer. in Hopedale, Sept. 15, 1862, by the writer. Their chn.: —

WILLIAM FRANKLIN, Jun., b. Hopedale, Dec. 17, 1865.

GEORGE OTIS, b. Hopedale, July 14, 1867.

EDITH, b. Hopedale, Feb. 18, 1874.

ARTHUR JOY, b. Hopedale, April 28, 1875.

CLARE HILL, b. Hopedale, Oct. 4, 1876.

It will be seen in the chapter on the War-Record, that, at the opening of the Rebellion, he enlisted as a private in Co. B, Regt. 25, Mass. Vols. Such was his ability and gallantry that he rose through the various official grades to Lieut. Col. Commandant, and, at the close of the war, was breveted Brig. Gen. He was m. to his accomplished wf. in the 2d yr. of the great conflict, and she visited him at three several times while he was out in the service, — the third time to minister to him when bitterly suffering from his dangerous wound in Washington Hospital. That wound was received in the battle of the Wilderness, and was caused by a minie-ball, which had to be extracted from his left shoulder, under the blade, near the spine. The missile is preserved. Its damaging effects will doubtless remain through life. Immediately after the war he went into successful business with his father in the manufacture of cotton and woollen machinery. In 1873 he and his wf. made the tour of Europe. They are now on the flood-tide of prosperity, raising up a promising family of chn., and universally respected for the urbanity of their manners, as well as their solid worth and their successful career in life.

DRAPER, JAMES DEXTER[9] (Rufus Foster,[8] Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Wayland, Oct. 4, 1827; his mother's maiden name, Polly Hemenway; m., 1st, *Caroline Pamelia Pratt*, dr. of Sumner and Susan (Cox) Pratt, b. in Lynnfield, Jan. 26, 1833; cer. at So. Reading, Feb. 30, 1850, by Rev. John H. Moore. Their chn.: —

Emma Caroline, b. March 11, 1851; m. Joseph H. Qualters, July 2, 1877.

Ida Lorene, b. Aug. 2, 1852; m. George H. Chamberlain, Jan. 14, 1878.

Mrs. Caroline Pamelia d. March 13, 1855. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary E. Newell*, dr. of Benj. F. and Elizabeth U. (Whitcomb) Newell, b. East Boston, April 25, 1843; cer. April 3, 1862, in So. Reading, by Rev. Edwin Eaton. Their chn.: —

William Newell, b. So. Reading, Jan. 2, 1865.

Charles Eugene, b. Hopedale, March 24, 1868.

Hubie Irving, b. Hopedale, April 29, 1870.

James Dexter, b. Hopedale, April 30, 1874.

Ernest Wilfred, b. Hopedale, Dec. 26, 1879.

A skilful moulder in our foundery, and faithful sexton of the Hopedale ch. His wf. is a somewhat feeble but worthy woman. Both are honestly struggling for a comfortable livelihood, and are in good esteem for their solid usefulness.

DRAPER, Oscar Eugene[9] (Lemuel R.,[8] Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., April 12, 1850; m., 1st, *Emma Lucy*, dr. of Hiram and Laura Ann (Adams) Hunt, b. Mil., May 16, 1849; cer. Oct. 12, 1869, by the writer. Their chn.: —

Laura Adelaide, b. Mil., Dec. 12, 1870.

Hiram Eugene, b. Mil., Sept. 15, 1872.

Clarence Percival, b. Mil., Aug. 12, 1874.

Mrs. Emma Lucy d. Dec. 8, 1876. The hus. m., 2d, *Emma E. J. Sturtevant*, dr. of Calvin and Alony A. Griswold, Walpole, N.H., b. March 31, 1851; cer. Sept. 21, 1879, by Rev. Mr. Stebbins of Brookfield. Their present res. No. Brookfield.

DRAPER, DANIEL[9] (Rufus Foster,[8] Ira,[7] Abijah,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] James,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Weston, Nov. 20, 1826; mr.'s maiden name, Polly Hemenway; m. *Harriet* ——; family record not furnished me. See his name in its place in the War-Record. He dwelt at one time in Hopedale.

DRAPER, Orin, ancestry untraced; son of George and Abigail A. Draper; m. *Mary Elizabeth Marshall*, dr. of William and Mary Marshall; cer. Hopedale, March 28, 1850, by the writer. They res. a few yrs. in town, and then left for some other locality unknown to me.

DUTCHER. This is a comparatively new and rare name in Mil., but one clustered with interesting biographical associations. Warren Whitney Dutcher, with his wf. and two chn., removed from No. Bennington, Vt., to Hopedale in the spring of 1856. How this came about, and the results, may be briefly told. He was endowed with a strong mechanical genius. He had a bro. with a similar endowment, whose name was Elihu C. Dutcher. This bro. was an ordained Baptist minister, who, nevertheless, worked much at the wagon-making business, as a means of greater independence and pecuniary competence. He preached several yrs. in Pownal, Vt., and afterwards in Williamstown, Mass., besides some incidental itinerary ministrations. In 1847 he closed his ministry, removed to No. Bennington, and attended chiefly to mechanical pursuits. In 1850 the two bros. together invented and patented the somewhat famous "Dutcher Temple." They jointly engaged in the manufacture of their valuable temples, and prosecuted the same with promising success till 1854. Then E. D. and G. Draper of Hopedale purchased Rev. Elihu's interest in the business. They subsequently arranged with Warren to remove hither with his family and manufacturing machinery. Elihu at once bought himself a valuable

farm in Waukesha, Wis., and removed thither, but, sad to say, d. of Asiatic cholera the second day after his arrival there.

Here Warren took up his res., May 20, 1856, and prosecuted the manufacture of temples in connection with the Drapers, — he as managing agent at home, and they as selling agents abroad. The business proved eminently successful, and has continued to augment in importance down to the present time, taking on, stage after stage, most valuable improvements. In 1867 the present Dutcher Temple Company became a regular legal corporation. In 1868 George Draper and son succeeded E. D. and G. Draper in the selling department, the manufacturing agency remaining as before. The result of this is, that W. W. Dutcher arose to wealth and distinction among us; and it is not too much to say that he and his family richly deserve the high respect accorded them wherever known. In every good cause and work he and his excellent wf. have been generous contributors to the relief and elevation of humanity. Their genealogy is as follows: —

Three immigrant Dutchers, bros., are understood to have come from Holland, and set. near New-York City. One of these had a son named Gabriel. He was gt. gd. fr. to our Warren W. He had a son Benjamin, b. in Dutchess County, N.Y., July, 1742. He m. Thankful Benson, a woman of remarkable ingenuity, b. 1752. She may have been of German descent, which, however, is uncertain. They set. at first in White Creek, N.Y., but afterwards in Shaftsbury, Vt. They had 8 chn.; the elder ones b. in New York, the younger in Vermont; viz., —

JOHN, b. Sept., 1775; never m.; d. Shaftsbury, Vt., April, 1832.

PETER, b. March 1, 1778; the fr. of our W. W. Dutcher.

SETH, b. date not given; m. and set. near Syracuse, N.Y.

POLLY, b. date not given; m. Eli Goddard, and set. Marcellus, N.Y.

CHARLOTTE, b. date not given; m. Thomas Fowler, and set. White Creek, N.Y.

CHRISTINE, b. date not given; lived and d. unm.

DAVID, b. date not given; m. Asenath Fisk; lived and d. near White Creek, N.Y.

PHEBE, b. date not given; never m.; d. Shaftsbury, Vt., Sept. 28, 1812.

Benjamin Dutcher, the fr., d. in Shaftsbury, Vt., Aug., 1826. The mr. d. June, 1811.

DUTCHER, PETER[3] (Benjamin,[2] Gabriel[1]), b. in White Creek, N.Y., March 1, 1778; m. *Lucy Slye*, Sept. 5, 1801. She was a dr. of James and Meribah (Brown) Slye, b. in Shaftsbury, Vt., March 10, 1785. Her fr. was a farmer, and generally known as Capt. James Slye; being, at the same time, much of his life, an old-fashioned, self-educated, volunteer Baptist preacher, going where duty seemed to call, and accepting such free-will offerings as chanced to be given him. He and his wf. had 12 chn., 10 of whom lived to grow up and m. The chn. of Peter and Lucy (Slye) Dutcher were, —

ELIHU C., b. Nov. 9, 1802; m. Sarah Ploss, Hoosick, N.Y., March 15, 1827.

DIANTHA, b. Oct. 18, 1804; m. Pierpont E. Ball, No. Bennington, Vt., Aug. 20, 1837.

JULIA, b. April 22, 1807; never m.; res. mostly with her bro.'s family at Hopedale.

SEMANTHA, b. Aug. 14, 1809; d. at No. Bennington, Vt., Aug. 8, 1855.

WARREN W., b. July 4, 1812; prominently before us in this record.

ASA M., b. May 3, 1815; m. Isabella Hayes, Chillicothe, O., Oct. 12, 1867; d. Nov. 15, 1874.

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ANNA M., b. Nov. 21, 1817; never m.; d. at Hopedale, March 26, 1868.

SYLVIA M., b. Nov. 28, 1820; never m.; d. No. Bennington, Vt., Aug. 27, 1864.

REUBEN C., b. Nov. 4, 1823; d. in Shaftsbury, Vt., Jan. 18, 1828.

The mr. d. in Shaftsbury, Vt., April 9, 1841. The fr. d. at his son's, W. W. Dutcher, No. Bennington. Vt., Jan. 29, 1850.

DUTCHER, WARREN WHITNEY[4] (Peter,[3] Benjamin,[2] Gabriel[1]), b. in Shaftsbury, Vt., July 4, 1812; m., in the same town, *Malinda Amelia Toombs*, Oct. 10, 1841; cer. by Rev. Isaiah Mattison. She was a dr. of Lyman and Eleanor (Stearns) Toombs, b. in Hoosick, N.Y., July 19, 1821. She was a gd. dr. of Capt. William Stearns, a devoted Revolutionary patriot and soldier, who d. at Jamestown, N.Y., Feb. 13, 1834, in the 80th yr. of his age, greatly eulogized by his fellow-citizens. His family connections of the present generation are somewhat numerous in New England, especially in the vicinity of Worcester, and are of eminently respectable standing. The chn. of W. W. and M. A. Dutcher were, —

CHARLES VOLNEY, b. Shaftsbury, Vt , April 23, 1848; d. Oct. 25, 1848.

FRANK JEROME, b. No. Bennington, Vt., July 21, 1850; conspicuous at Hopedale.

GRACE MARY, b. No. Bennington, Vt., July 17, 1853; res. with mr.

After the foregoing had been written, and submitted to Mr. Dutcher's critical revision, his health seriously failed, and he sank into a long decline of more than a yr. The disease proved fatal. In spite of all that medical skill, faithful nursing, and affectionate domestic ministration could possibly do, he wasted away, till exhausted nature sank to rest at 6.30 o'clock, A.M., Jan. 26, 1880. He bore his sickness with great fortitude, patience, and even cheerfulness. An autopsy showed it to have been a peculiar kind of internal cancerous development, affecting his stomach, liver, and kidneys, for which there was no cure. His funeral was solemnized on Friday of the same week, Jan. 30, and was marked by every demonstration which could express the universal love, respect, and honor in which he was held by all classes of his acquaintances. Rich and poor vied with each other in manifestations of profound esteem and sorrow. His remains repose in Pine-grove Cemetery, and his memory is blessed. See his likeness in its place.

DUTCHER, FRANK JEROME[5] (Warren W.,[4] Peter,[3] Benjamin,[2] Gabriel[1]), b., as above, July 21, 1850; m. *Martha Maria Grimwood* of Pawtucket, R.I., June 27, 1877; cer. by Rev. Preston Gurney. She was a dr. of Israel C. and Mary M. (McDonald) Grimwood, b. in Providence, R.I., March 21, 1855.

F. J. Dutcher is an executive business man, of great trustworthiness, in the same corporation honored by his fr. He was commissioned as a justice of the peace, June 23, 1874. He is a man of genius, intelligence, and solid moral integrity.

A son b. Sunday, P.M., Aug. 29, 1880. He bears the name of his honored gd. fr., Warren Whitney Dutcher.

EALY, JOHN ALFRED, son of John and Mary (Trudo) Ealy, b. in Woodstock, Vt., March 28, 1851; m. *Clara Darling*, dr. of John and Lucy (Howard) Darling, b. East Douglas, Feb. 27, 1854; cer. in E. Douglas, April 25, 1872, by Rev. William T. Briggs. Issue: —

FLORENCE AGNES, b. Winchester, Dec. 4, 1875.

Mr. Ealy and wf. have res. in Boston, Winchester, and Mil. He is an

employé of "Clement, Colburn, & Co." His return does not indicate his particular occupation, nor how long he has res. in town.

EAMES, PHINEHAS[5] (Timothy,[4] Henry,[3] John,[2] Thomas[1]). I am not quite certain that this lineage is correct, but believe it is. I have deduced it from Barry's genealogy of the Eames families in his "History of Framingham." The only ground of mistake, if any, lies in the possibility that our Phinehas is not the one he names as a son of Timothy. He makes that Phinehas to have been b. May 14, 1706, and says he m. Jane How of Sudbury, 1788. Our Phinehas, according to his death-date and age on gravestone, should have been b. 1763. Barry states, without reference to pedigree, that Phinehas Eames and Izanna Jones, both of Fram., were m. July, 1790. This was certainly our Phinehas; and, though the record is quoted by itself, disconnected from lineage, I infer that the two Phinehases he mentions are really one and the same. If so, the discrepancy of 3 yrs. in birth-date may be owing to errors of record or memory, and not uncommon. But again, if so, our Phinehas may have been m. to Jane How in 1788, and lost her by death, before he was m. to Izanna Jones in July, 1790. I mention these particulars, so that the descendants of our Phinehas may understand how I fixed his lineage, and may rectify my mistake, if I have made any. I assume, however, that I am correct. I have also assumed that Thomas Eames of Dedham, who set. there before 1641, was the ancestral English immigrant of this lineage, and therefore proceed.

EAMES, PHINEHAS, b. in Framingham about 1763; m. *Izanna Jones*, dr. of Nathaniel Alden and Lois (Claflin) Jones, b. in Framingham; date not found; cer. July, 1790. Their chn.: —

IZANNA, b. Feb. 9, 1791; m. James Bowker of Hop., Aug. 16, 1815.

ELIJAH, b. May 5, 1792; burned to death March 31, 1799.

ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 18, 1794; d. Sept. 17, 1833, a. 39 yrs.

SUKEY, b. July 12, 1795; d. unm., Jan. 21, 1864.

POLLY JONES, b. March 12, 1797; m., 1st, Lewis Harding, March 27, 1823; 2d, Hon. Lee Claflin, March 8, 1836.

EVELINA, b. July 23, 1799; m. Samuel Day, April, 1830.

CHARLES TURNER, b. July 1, 1801; m. Amelia Claflin, Oct. 9, 1828.

NATHANIEL JONES, b. July 6, 1806; d. Feb. 25, 1808.

APPLETON PRENTICE, b. Dec. 5, 1811; m. Elizabeth D. Rice of E. Sudbury, 1835.

Precisely when Mr. Eames came into town I have not ascertained. He was certainly taxed here in 1795, and prob. moved hither at an earlier date. He was a cabinet-maker by trade, and located himself on what is now called Cortland St., the ancient Joseph Sumner place, where James Batchelder, the stone-cutter, recently dwelt. The old house and cabinet-shop were burnt down during the night of March 31, 1799, and 3 persons perished in the flames; viz., Jotham Hayward, Charles Turner, and Elijah Eames, eldest son of Phinehas. His fellow-townsmen were so sympathetic with him under his distressing loss, that they voluntarily assessed themselves $300 as a donation to him, to aid him in rebuilding. Soon after this afflictive event Mrs. Izanna joined the Cong. Ch., and had all her then living chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Long. The family had a good social and moral standing. Mrs. Izanna d. May 15, 1833, a. 62 yrs. Mr. Phinehas d. Dec. 13, 1845, a. 82 yrs.

EAMES, Capt. CHARLES TURNER[6] (Phinehas,[5] Timothy,[4] Henry,[3] John,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 1, 1801; cabinet-maker; m. *Amelia Claflin*, dr. of John,

Esq., and Lydia (Mellen) Claflin, b. Feb. 3, 1801; cer. Oct. 9, 1828, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Edward Everett, b. Oct. 22, 1829; m., 1st, Mary Capen; 2d, Nannie Royce.

Alonzo Frederick, b. Jan. 18, 1831; d. San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 23, 1853.

Helen Sophia, b. March 21, 1833; public-school teacher.

Mary Jane, b. June 9, 1835; d. Feb. 23, 1836.

Horace Claflin, b. Feb. 22, 1837; d. Sept. 16, 1837.

Amelia Claflin, b. July 17, 1838; m. William R. Hawes, 1862. He d. 1879.

Abbie Mellen, b. Sept. 2, 1841; m. Bethuel E. Harris, Oct. 17, 1865.

Charles T. Eames commanded the Light-Infantry Company, styled "The Lafayette Guards," in 1832, being its 3d captain in succession. He was a skilful cabinet-maker in various productions, and for a long time supplied to our population most of their coffins for the dead. He dwelt just east of the mill-pond on Main St. He and his family were of reputable rank. Mrs. Amelia, his 1st wf., d. May 11, 1845; and he m., 2d, *Martha Jones* of Framingham, Sept. 16, 1847. She was a dr. of Alexander H. and Milly (Morse) Jones, b. April 16, 1813; cer. by Rev. Mr. Bellows. Capt. Eames d. Jan. 16, 1875. Mrs. Martha still survives, and res. in Charlestown. Edward Everett, eldest son, res. in New York, pursuing mercantile business. Mrs. Hawes, since widowhood, res. in Mil.

EAMES, Appleton Prentice [6] (Phinehas,[5] Timothy,[4] Henry,[3] John,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 5, 1811; m. *Elizabeth D. Rice* of E. Sudbury, 1835; pedigree and other particulars not traced. Their chn.: —

Lewis Harding, b. Nov. 14, 1836; d. July 24, 1837.

Izanna Jones, b. March 26, 1839.

Charles Prentice, b. Feb. 14, 1842; m. Mary Staples.

Laura Augusta, b. 1845; m. Albert J. Watkins, May 9, 1871.

Mr. Eames was a worthy mechanic, cabinet-maker, and joiner, I think, who dwelt on Beach St. He d. suddenly March 30, 1854, in consequence of a fatal injury recd. as fireman during the operations of the department at a fire on the evening of the 29th. He left his wf. and 3 chn. in great affliction, and was honored with a large and sympathetic funeral in the Cong. Ch. His wid., after many afflictions, d. Sept. 5, 1879.

EAMES, Charles Prentice,[7] only son of Appleton P. and Elizabeth D. (Rice) Eames, b. Feb. 14, 1842; m. *Mary Staples;* date and particulars not ascertained. Their chn.: —

Charles Appleton, b. 1865; d. Aug. 26, 1867, a. 2 yrs.

Flora Maybel, b. 1868; d. Oct. 2, 1875, a. 7 yrs. 26 days.

Mr. Eames dwelt on his fr.'s place, 34 Beach St., followed substantially the same vocation, and was a worthy man in the various relations of life. Like his fr., he served faithfully for many yrs. as a fireman. Like his fr., too, he came to an untimely end, though in a different way. He had lost both his chn., was partially out of business; and one cold winter day took a fancy to fish in Beaver Pond for pickerel, through the ice. The pond was 2 miles or more from his home. He spent the day there, and, when on the way back, in the evening, suddenly fell to the ground, and became helpless. Whether from exhaustion he stumbled, and was stunned by his fall, so that the cold completed his prostration, or whether he was seized by a fit of some kind, could only be conjectured. He was found powerless in the road about 11 o'clock, and borne

at midnight almost senseless to his half-distracted wife and mother. Medical aid was summoned, but in vain. He d. 3 o'clock, A.M., Friday, Jan. 26, 1876. All the fire-companies attended his funeral on the Sunday following at the Universalist Ch., where appropriate services were rendered amid the general sympathy. His broken-spirited wid. survived at my last advices.

EAMES, LEONARD, a descendant of Thomas, but whose intermediate ptge. I have not ascertained; a bootmaker; res. many yrs. in town. I have failed to obtain his family record, and, therefore, cannot give its data.

EAMES, JUSTIN E.[6] (Peter,[5] Hopestill,[4] Daniel,[3] Nathaniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Hop., May 21, 1809; mr.'s maiden name, Martha Jones; m., 1st, *Sarah Cozzens* of Sherborn, b. Nov. 18, 1816; cer. June 4, 1835. Issue:—

CHARLES WINTER, b. Feb. 15, 1837; m. Amanda R. Clary of Me., Dec. 26, 1858. He d. April 22, 1876.

DEXTER MORSE, b. Nov. 2, 1847; m. Emma D. Ware, Feb. 14, 1867. They res. in Sherborn, and have 3 chn.:—

LUNA EMMA, b. Dec. 18, 1867.

CAROLINE MAUD, b. Aug. 6, 1875; and HARVEY DEXTER, b. Aug. 18, 1880.

Mrs. Sarah d. April 4, 1848. The hus. m., 2d, *Clarinda S. Jones*, dr. of John and Malinda (Chamberlain) Jones, b. Mil., Jan. 17, 1826; cer. Mil., Oct. 10, 1849, by Rev. Preston Pond. Issue:—

JUSTIN HENRY, b. Mil., May 30, 1851; m. Minnie O. Cushman, Oct. 1, 1879.

SARAH MALISSA, b. Mil., Dec. 20, 1852; m. Charles L. Cushman, June 10, 1879.

HERBERT A., b. Mil., Feb. 6, 1856; res. Webster City, Io.

CLARA J., b. Mil., Oct. 6, 1858; res. Mil.

Justin E. Eames purchased the ancient Ichabod Thayer farm, perhaps in 1847. That farm, in part, was sold by John Bruce to Ebenezer Cheney in 1730. Cheney d., and left it, much enlarged, to his wid., Hannah (Bigelow) Cheney and infant dr. Silence. Ichabod Thayer m. the wid., and bought the place. He lived and d. on it. So did his son Elijah, and so did *his* son Artemas. Then it passed into Mr. Eames's hands, and is now the inheritance of his son, Justin H. Eames, and the other heirs. Worthy people all. Justin E. Eames was a prudent, thrifty, genial farmer, well esteemed by his fellow-citizens. He passed away but a short time since, and will be favorably remembered by most of my town readers. He d. May 27, 1879. His respected wid., and the 5 chn. above named, survive him.

EAMES, AARON ADAMS[6] (Moses,[5] Moses,[4] Jonathan,[3] Samuel,[2] Thomas of Dedham[1]), b. in Upton, July 22, 1811; mr.'s maiden name Nancy Fay; m. *Hannah Wood Hunt*, dr. of Joseph and Jemima (Holbrook) Hunt, b. Upton, Sept. 14, 1815; cer. at bride's bro.'s, John Hunt, in Upton, Sunday evening, Aug. 4, 1833, by the writer. Issue:—

GEORGE AUGUSTUS, b. Grafton, Dec. 12, 1833; m. Mary B. Leonard, Nov. 1, 1857. See "War-Record."

DANIEL, b. Upton, Aug. 2, 1835; m. Mary A. Putnam.

HIRAM WARREN, b. Grafton, Jan. 1, 1837; m. Urania Wood Felton, June 27, 1860.

JANE MARIA, b. Grafton, April 9, 1839; d. Northbridge, Aug. 18, 1842.

JANE MARIA, b. Northbridge, Sept. 20, 1843; m. A. Halsey Sweet, Mil., Oct. 27, 1861.

EMMA ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Sept. 2, 1847; m. Collins A. Keith, July 15, 1866.

CHARLES IRVING, b. Mil., May 16, 1850; d. Oct. 2, 1851.

HERBERT IRVING, b. Mil., March 26, 1853; res. unm. with his mr., Mil.

ANN ELIZA, b. Mil., April 11, 1856; m. Albert Gerry.

The hus. and fr. perished in a snow-storm, frozen to death, Dec. 23, 1858. His worthy wid. bore up bravely under her sorrows, and trained her 7 living chn. to usefulness. She still survives, dwelling on West St., near Union. George Augustus lost his life for his country during the war of the Rebellion. He d. in Louisville, Ky., Aug. 16, 1863. He wrote home often; and his mr. has numerous interesting letters from him, which she preserves as cherished keepsakes. Hiram W. resides in Hyde Park. Her other chn. res., here and there, nearer home. She has 19 living gd. chn.

EAMES, JUDSON[6] (Moses,[5] Moses,[4] Jonathan,[3] Samuel,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not ascertained; was of Up., but res. considerably in Mil.; m. *Tamer E. Wheelock;* had 3 or more chn. He d. in Mendon instantaneously, April 9, 1874, a. 56 yrs. Could not conveniently obtain his family record.

EAMES, DENNIS,[6] another bro. of Aaron A.; for some yrs. a boot-manufacturer here; m. *Mary Allen.* He d. in this town several yrs. ago. His family record not obtained. His estimable wid. is named in our Directory of 1880 as res. house 42 Main St.

EAMES, HARRISON,[6] another bro., m. *Malinda B. Hunt;* sr. to Mrs. Hannah W. Eames, Nov. 27, 1834. He res. a considerable time in Mil., but d. some yrs. since, leaving his wf. a wid., and several chn., if I mistake not. The only one of these whose family record has been reported to me is the following:—

EAMES, HENRY DELUCIUS[7] (Harrison,[6] Moses,[5] Moses,[4] Jonathan,[3] Samuel,[2] Thomas of Dedham[1]), b. in Upton, May 21, 1835; m. his cousin, *Ellen E. Hunt*, dr. of Col. Adam and Sally (Pond) Hunt, b. Mil., Oct. 2, 1835; cer. Mil., Jan. 11, 1858, by Rev. J. R. Johnson. Issue:—

WALDO HUNT, b. Mil., Sept. 19, 1859; d. Oct. 4, 1864.

HENRY BURTON, b. Hartford, Ct., July 5, 1865.

ANNIE LOUISE, b. Hartford, Ct., Jan. 25, 1868.

WILLIE ADAM, b. Brooklyn, N.Y., April 25, 1877; d. a. 1 day.

The family has res. in Boston, Mil., Hartford, Ct., and Brooklyn, N.Y. Occupation of Mr. E., manufacturing gas-burners.

EASTMAN, THOMAS CROCKER, son of Thomas and Mary (Wilder) Eastman, b. in Dennysville, Me., Jan. 6, 1836; m. *Sarah A. Gardner*, dr. of Eben and Hannah (Wilder) Gardner, b. in Dennysville, Me., Dec. 8, 1842; cer. Dennysville, Me., Dec. 4, 1865, by Rev. Charles Whittier. Their chn.:—

LOUISE H., b. Jan. 31, 1867; d. May 26, 1875.

GRACE W., b. June 20, 1870.

EDWIN A., b. Nov., 1873.

CHARLES T., b. Feb. 9, 1876.

CROCKER W., b. April, 1878.

Mr. E.'s res. in town dates back 12 yrs., or thereabouts, as I infer from our directories. He has been mostly engaged in the manufacture of boot-boxes, to which he has latterly added an interest in the flour and grain trade. Formerly he had much experience in foreign parts as a business agent, as far off as British India. Concerning these far-off experiences, he can relate many interesting details. He is much devoted to the Masonic institution, and enjoys the respectful confidence of his brethren. I am not familiar with his other relationships in society, or those of his family, but presume they are all reputable.

EASTMAN, S. ALDEN, a bro. of the preceding, of the same birthplace and ptge., b. Oct. 14, 1847; m. *Alice J. Chapin*, dr. of David G. and Harriet E. (Lackey) Chapin, b. in Upton, Nov. 5, 1854; cer. Mil., April 5, 1876, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. No issue yet reported.

Mr. E. is several yrs. the junior of Thomas C., as also in his citizenship here. He is a respectable grocer, stands high in Masonry, and, with his wf., sustains a good social standing.

EASTMAN, JOSEPH STEPHENS, son of John and Elmira (Stephens) Eastman; ancestry no further traced; b. in North Conway, N.H., a tin and sheet-iron worker in Mil. and Hop. He became known to me at the age of 45 yrs., on the occasion of his 2d mge., which he called on me to solemnize, at Hopedale, Sept. 2, 1867. He m. *Frances Ellen Tarr*, dr. of Samuel and Frances (Dawes) Tarr, b. in Lewiston, Me., a. 40 yrs. No chn. Of Mr. E.'s 1st wf. I have no knowledge, except what came to me in the town-clerk's certificate at the mge. of his dr. ALMIRA SWEETLAND EASTMAN to Eugene Thornton Adams, in Mil., Aug. 5, 1875. From that I learned that her mr.'s maiden name was *Abbie Maria Sweetland*. I presume there were other chn. besides Almira, but I am unable to give names or birth-dates. Mr. Eastman soon became feeble in health, and at length d., Jan. 5, 1875; and I ministered at his obsequies. Mrs. F. E. Eastman, his worthy wid., is one of our first-rate dressmakers; res. at 114½ Main St.

EATON, Rev. HENRY A.; m. *Susan R. Eaton;* but I am unable to give their birth-dates, ptge., or any particulars of their mge. He was a Universalist clergyman of excellent character and talents, and had a very successful pastorate of several yrs. in this town. He was gifted in the pulpit, and sympathetically magnetic as a pastor. Under his popular ministrations the church organization in Milford Universalist Society was formed, and the present Pearl-st. ch. edifice built. See the chap. on Religious Societies, in which our Universalist Society, its succession of ministers, and other historic matters, are set forth. They never had a more faithful or successful pastor. The health of both his wf. and himself broke down while in the prime of their usefulness, and they passed on to the immortal mansions in the fulness of hope. She preceded him 5 yrs. He d. in Worcester, May 26, 1861. By his dying request I ministered at his funeral. The remains of both repose, side by side, in Melrose cemetery. They left 2 chn., —

ALICE FLORENCE, b. Mil., 1850; m. Rufus N. Moody, Dec. 31, 1870; res. Phillips, Me.; 2 chn.

CHARLES HENRY, Rev., b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1852; grad. Tufts Coll., a Universalist clergyman; m. *Martha Jane Thaxter* of Boston, June 6, 1878; 1 child, Annie Thaxter, b. May 8, 1881. He has risen rapidly in his profession, and is now the successor of Rev. Dr. E. H. Chapin as pastor of the ch. of the Divine Paternity, in New-York City. He and his sister were excellently nurtured at Hopedale in the families of Ichabod Davis and E. D. Draper. See the family record of E. D. Draper in its place, where some other particulars are given.

EATON, Rev. GEORGE FRANKLIN, son of James B. and Sarah R. (Hobson) Eaton, b. Hillsboro', N.H., July 17, 1838, Methodist-Episcopal clergyman; no particulars of his education or induction into the ministry given; m. *Arabella Minerva Harding*, d. of Rev. Charles R. and Nancy (Barrows) Harding, b. Dec. 10, 1844; cer. in Nashua, N.H., March 14, 1860, by Rev. Charles R. Harding. Issue: —

NELLIE IDA, b. Alstead, N.H., March 13, 1861; d. Sept. 9, 1869.
KATIE BELLE, b. New Ipswich, N.H., Feb. 17, 1863.
WILLIAM BRADFORD, b. Leicester, March 1, 1868.
HARRIET ETHEL, b. Lynn, Aug. 3, 1875

Res. Alstead, New Ipswich, and Brookline, N.H., Leicester, Ware, Winchendon, Lynn, and Milford, Mass. Mr. E. completed his term of pastoral service in Mil., 1880, with much credit to himself and satisfaction to the people of his charge.

OTHER EATONS IN DIRECTORIES.

EATON, JOHN S., machinist and sexton, Hopedale. 1869, '72; moved West.
EATON, JOHN M., physician. 1872 down to '80, etc.

EDMANDS, GEORGE DRAPER, son of John and Lydia (Draper) Edmands, b. Saugus, April 9, 1836; mechanical inventor and machinist; m. *Annie A. Chambers*, dr. of Thomas and Sarah E. Chambers, b. Newport, R.I., March 6, 1838; cer. Newport, R.I., 1867, by Rev. Charles Howard Malcomb. Issue: —

ROY, b. and d. in Hopedale, Oct. 29, 1872.
FLORENCE BRYER, b. in Hopedale, June 6, 1874.

Mr. E. and wf. came to res. in Hopedale in 1869. He is a contractor, under George Draper & Sons, for the manufacture of their Double Adjusting Spinning Ring, which has grown into an important branch of business. He has prospered in its management, and has just completed an elegant family mansion on Adin St. The prospects of himself, his companion, and offspring, for a permanent and pleasant home, are highly auspicious.

EDMANDS, ARTEMAS BRADFORD, son of John and Lydia (Draper) Edmands, b. Saugus, Dec. 3, 1837; machinist; m., 1st, *Margaret Matilda Grover*, dr. of Asa and Sarah (Burrill) Grover, b. Saugus, Feb. 12, 1836; cer. Saugus, Dec. 27, 1855, by Rev. Levi Brigham. Issue: —

KATE (adopted, 1863), b. in Lynn, Feb. 28, 1860.
IDA, natural child, b. Melrose, Aug. 28, 1863.

Mrs. Margaret d. July 11, 1872. The hus. m., 2d, *Lucinda E. Dow*, dr. of David M. and Abbie L. (Hobbs) Dow, b. North Hampton, N.H., Oct. 10, 1856; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 25, 1873, by the writer. Issue: —

FRANK, b. Saugus, June 29, 1874.
GEORGE, b. Saugus, Feb. 19, 1876.
ARTHUR BRADFORD, b. Hopedale, May 18, 1878.

An orderly and reputable family. Mr. Edmands is a skilful and executive employé of the Hopedale Machine Co. He has res. in Hopedale since some time in 1877.

EDMANDS, JOHN ALVAH, half-bro. of the two preceding, son of John and Phœbe (Terry) Edmands, b. in Thorndike, Feb. 22, 1849; machinist; m. *Catherine Murphy*, dr. of John and Martha Murphy, b. E. Cambridge, Aug. 8, 1856; cer. Lynn, Oct. 22, 1874. Issue: —

FREDERICK TERRY, b. Hopedale, Nov. 8, 1875.
CORA LEONORE, b. Hopedale, Oct. 22, 1877.

A great bereavement befell this family in the d. of the worthy wf. and mr., Mrs. Catherine, June 13, 1879. Mr. Edmands deeply feels his loss, but is bearing up with commendable fortitude under his desolation. He is an expert, steady, and exemplary employé of his bro., George D. He has res. in Hopedale since some time in 1874.

EDSON, NATHANIEL, and wf. Betsey, from West Bridgewater, were of the Hopedale Community for some yrs. They came in 1846, and left in 1850. With them came their son Horatio and dr. Malvina. They had older chn. m. and set. elsewhere. I have no means of giving the birth-dates of either parents or chn. They were all worthy people. Horatio Edson was an enterprising carpenter. He m., while here, Louisa M. Brown, dr. of Samuel and Mary (Capron) Brown, b. 1828; cer. in Hopedale, Oct. 22, 1846, by the writer. Malvina, several yrs. later, m. Samuel Brown, jun., a brother of Horatio's wf. They all left Hopedale in 1850 for Olean, N. Y. There Nathaniel Edson and his son Horatio both d. at different dates, which I have not at command. The subsequent history of their survivors is too imperfectly within my knowledge to attempt giving.

ELDREDGE. Our few Eldredges are from the south-eastern shores of the State, — Nantucket, New Bedford, and the adjacent regions.

ELDREDGE, DAVID P.; ancestry not traced; son of James Taber and Deborah (Pinkham) Eldredge; b. Nantucket, March 6, 1816; m. *Phebe Ann Macy*, dr. of Frederick C. and Lydia B. Macy, b. Nantucket, Dec. 4, 1823; cer. in Nantucket, April 25, 1844, by Rev. David Patt. An only dr. reported, —

EMMA, b. Nantucket, Oct. 3, 1855.

Mr. Eldredge followed the sea, in the whaling business, for many yrs.; commencing as sailor, and rising, grade after grade, to be master. He sailed from Nantucket, New Bedford, and Boston, at different times, and was intrusted with large responsibilities. At length he relinquished his seafaring life for pursuits on land. He came to Mil. in July, 1855. He and his bro. James T. do business, as roofers and concrete-walk layers, under the firm name, "D. P. & J. T. Eldredge." Capt. Eldredge informs me that his parents had 11 chn., all of whom are living but one; the youngest being now 46 yrs. of age. He also informs me that his wf.'s parents, Frederick C. Macy and wf., moved to Mil. from Nantucket in 1853; which prob. induced him to follow with his family in 1855. I have taken for granted that —

ELDREDGE, JAMES T., is bro. to D. P.; though he made no response to the blank family record I mailed him. I am obliged, therefore, to leave his wf. and chn., if he has any, unregistered in this work. Also I am obliged to leave out those of —

ELDREDGE, JOHN W., partner in the firm of "Eldredge & Beattey," house-painters, who declined my call for family record.

ELDRIDGE, J. AUSTIN, machinist, h. 3 Fruit St., might have been more communicative if I had served him with a blank, which it was my fault to omit; as various circumstances have seemed to necessitate my doing in hundreds of other cases.

ELDRIDGE, RUFUS COFFIN, made return as follows: son of Thomas M. and Ann M. (Haynes) Eldridge; b. Monument (a post-village in Barnstable Co.), Sept. 19, 1835; jeweller, etc.; m. *Emily Adalaide Rice*, dr. of John, 2d, and Susan Weatherbee (Knowlton) Rice, b. Northbridge, Dec. 1, 1838; cer. in Worcester, March 4, 1861, by Rev. L. M. Burrington. Their chn.: —

JOHN RICE, b. Sept. 19, 1864.

RUFUS EUGENE, b. Feb. 14, 1866.

EMILY LOUISE, b. Nov. 30, 1870.

Mr. Eldridge does not report the date of his coming to Mil., but I judge him to have been here at least 15 yrs. His watch and jewelry establishment are familiar to our present population. His business enterprise and integrity command just respect; so does the social standing of himself and family.

Milford has no reason to regret the accession of the Eldridges to its population.

ELLIS, JOHN, wf. Mary, said to be of Bell.; had 3 chn. baptized by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz.,—

ABIJAH, June 2, 1765.

CHLOE, June 7, 1767.

COMFORT, Dec. 9, 1770.

Also Mr. Frost m. Hannah Ellis of Bellingham, prob. of the same family, to Elias Thayer of Bell., March 16, 1763. Cannot trace this family further.

ELLIS, JOHN; pedigree untraced; m., 1st, *Betsey Hero*, dr. of John and Hannah (Hayden) Hero, b. 1786; cer. Nov. 3, 1808. Issue:—

BETSEY, b. 1810; m. Elijah Farrington, jun., Nov. 14, 1833; she d. April 10, 1842.

Mrs. Betsey having d. an early connubial death, the hus. m., 2d, *Virtue Parkhurst*, dr. of Ithiel and Catherine (Rawson) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Jan. 10, 1795; cer. Aug. 25, 1812, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue:—

HORACE, b. Mil., Jan. 27, 1813.

This family no further traced.

ELLIS, PAUL, b. Oct. 20, 1761; wf. *Rebecca*, b. March 6, 1761; birth-place nor pedigree of either ascertained. Their chn.:—

CLARK, b. Jan. 27, 1788; m. Mary Morse, Hop., May 16, 1813.

PAUL, Jun., b. Jan. 18, 1790.

JESSE, b. July 26, 1793.

DAVID, b. July 9, 1795.

JOHN, b. June 16, 1800.

SILAS, b. May 31, 1802.

DAVID, b. Nov. 10, 1804.

PHILO M., b. June 4, 1807.

JAMES, b. Feb. 11, 1810.

Paul Ellis, the fr., d. Nov., 1826. Mrs. Rebecca, his wid., d. Dec. 4, 1810.

ELLIS, CLARK, Esq., son of Paul and Rebecca Ellis, b. Jan. 27, 1788; m. *Mary Morse* of Hop., b. Jan. 18, 1789; cer. Hop., May 16, 1813. Issue:—

WASHINGTON, b. Mil., Feb. 17, 1814; m. Amanda M. Howard, April 26, 1838.

SUSANNA CHAPIN, b. Mil., March 10, 1815; m. William Howard, April 9, 1835.

MARY MORSE, b. Mil., Aug. 18, 1817; m. J. W. Scammell, Dec. 7, 1841; she d. Nov., 1855.

ABIGAIL, b. Mil., April 25, 1819; d. June, 1856.

SARAH, b. Mil., April 10, 1822; m. Timothy Ide, jun., June 22, 1842.

WARREN, b. Mil., Jan. 1, 1823; m., 1st, Sarah M. Cutler, 1847; 2d, Delia B. Wheeler, 1871.

CLARK, Jun., b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1825; m., 1st, Sarah M. Leland, 1850; 2d, Sarah A. Eames, 1862.

ALBERT MORSE, b. Mil., April 24, 1829; m. Mary Hero, 1853; he d. Hamonton, N.J., Aug. 27, 1871.

The hus. and fr. was a blacksmith by trade; a very substantial man physically, intellectually, and morally. He was captain of the Mil. artillery company in 1821, and a very influential citizen through his active life. He held most of the responsible town offices at various periods of his public career. He was first appointed Justice of the Peace under Gov. John Brooks, in 1821, for 7 yrs.; again in 1837, under Gov. Everett; re-appointed by Gov. Briggs, in 1844,

in 1851 by Gov. Boutwell, in 1858 by Gov. Banks, and in 1865 by Gov. Andrew; thus serving in this office 42 yrs. He and his wf. were worthy members of the Cong. ch. from 1839 to the close of life. Mrs. Mary d. in 1872. Esq. Ellis d. in Aug., 1873.

ELLIS, WASHINGTON, son of Clark and Mary (Morse) Ellis, b. Mil., Feb. 17, 1814; m. *Amanda M. Howard*, dr. of Zuriel and Olive (Twitchell) Howard, b. Mil., June 6, 1816; cer. April 26, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

GEORGE HASTINGS, b. Mil., May 12, 1839; d. July 11, 1863.

HENRY CLAY, b. Mil., July 7, 1842; res. Philadelphia, Pa.

MARY AMANDA, b. Mil., June 22, 1846; m. Jotham Abijah French, Sept. 20, 1866.

ELLEN MARIA, b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1848; m. Dr. L. E. Mellen, Oct., 1876; res. Middlebury, Vt.

The hus. and fr. was a man of intelligence and enterprise, but not of robust health. He was capt. of "The Lafayette Guards" in 1842. His family held well their hereditary social rank, and enjoyed the general respect. He d. in early middle age, Aug. 14, 1850. Mrs. Amanda survives, and dwells with her dr. French in Keene, N.H.

ELLIS, WARREN, son of Clark and Mary (Morse) Ellis, b. Mil., Jan. 1, 1823; m., 1st, *Louisa M. Cutter*, dr. of Nathaniel and Abigail (Taylor) Cutter; cer. 1847; other particulars not ascertained. Issue:—

CHARLES W., b. July 9, 1848.

ABBY HENRIETTA, b. March 9, 1850.

ELIZABETH HUBBARD, b. Nov. 7, 1854.

Mrs. Louisa d. April 2, 1861. The hus. m., 2d, *Delia (Bourke) Wheeler*, widowed dr. of Thomas and Mary Bourke, b. 1841; cer. at Hopedale, Aug. 10, 1871, by the writer. No chn. Mr. E. d. March 18, 1872. Mrs. Delia and his chn. survive.

ELLIS, CLARK, Jun., son of Clark and Mary (Morse) Ellis, b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1825; trader; m., 1st, *Sarah Maria Leland*, dr. of Lemuel and Susanna (Hero) Leland, b. Mil., July 7, 1829; cer. Mil., Jan. 5, 1851, by Rev. Charles W. Ainsworth. Issue:—

FREDERICK LELAND, b. Mil., Nov. 29, 1854; book-keeper for Bartlett and Ellis.

ROSA MARIA } (twins), b. Mil., March 15, 1861; d. same day.
EDWARD } b. Mil., March 15, 1861; d. same day.

Mrs. Sarah Maria d. April 17, 1861. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Ann Eames*, dr. of William and Martha (Frost) Eames, b. in Holl., Oct. 6, 1835; cer. Ashland, May 20, 1862, by Rev. William M. Thayer. Issue:—

GEORGE WILLIAM, b. Mil., Sept. 2, 1863.

Mr. Ellis is now co-partner with Welcome J. Bartlett in their well-known hardware store, 174 Main St., — both honorable dealers in their line of merchandise. Moral character and social standing of the family eminently good.

ELLSWORTH, NATHANIEL P., and wf. *Caroline (Miller)*, pedigree, etc., not ascertained, stand credited on our records with the following-named chn.:—

ALZINA MARIA } (twins), b. Dec. 26, 1826; res. Grand Rapids, Mich.
ANSELINE REBECCA } b. Dec. 26, 1826; d. Aug. 14, 1828.

GEORGE ADELBERT, b. Aug. 8, 1830; said to res. in the State of N.Y.

CAROLINE, b. June 14, 1832; d. June 21, 1834.

THEODORE LYMAN, b. June 14, 1834; m., 1st, Catherine P. Tilton; 2d, Sarah W. Pond.

Mr. Ellsworth d. Mil. some yrs. ago. Mrs. Caroline survives, and res. in the West. I have not been so accurately posted on the data of this family record as I desired.

ELLSWORTH, THEODORE LYMAN, son of Nathaniel P. and Caroline (Miller) Ellsworth, b. Norwich, Ct., June 14, 1834; m., 1st, *Catherine Proctor Tilton*, dr. of Abraham and Hannah P. (Proctor) Tilton; birth-date not given, nor date of mge., nor of death. He m., 2d, *Sarah W. Pond*, maiden name Williams, dr. of Asa and Sarah J. (Grant) Williams, b. Medway, 1841; cer. at Hopedale, April 17, 1876, by the writer. Issue:—

KITTY, birth-date not given; and HARRY LYMAN, birth-date not given; d. I believe Mr. E. and family have recently moved to Boston.

EMERY, Capt. WILLIAM, son of George and Nancy (McIntosh) Emery, b. Lunenburg, April 21, 1833; m. *Ellen E. Wheelan;* ptge. not given; b. Boston, Feb. 19, 1838; cer. Newbern, N.C., May 6, 1862, by Rev. Mr. Hart, chaplain 3d N.Y. H. Artillery. Issue:—

WILLIE BURNSIDE, b. Rutland, Feb. 9, 1863; d. Sept. 7, 1863, Rutland.

JENNIE STEVENS, b. Mil., Aug. 13, 1865; d. here April 8, 1869.

GEORGE EDWIN, b. Mil., March 27, 1870.

Mrs. Ellen d. here, Aug. 9, 1877. Capt. Emery came to Mil. in 1859. His principal occupation has been carriage-trimming. He served with honor in the civil war. See "War-Record," p. 142.

ENTWISTLE, THOMAS CHADWICK, a travelling agent of George Draper & Sons for the sale, etc., of their cotton and woollen machinery; b. in Lancashire Co., Eng., Sept. 8, 1846; son of Ralph and Ellen (Chadwick) Entwistle; m. *Mary Ann Crook*, dr. of James and Susan Crook, b. in said Lancashire, June, 1844; cer. Dec., 1864, in said co., by whom not stated. Their chn.:—

SUSAN ELLEN, b. Accrington, Eng., July 8, 1866; d. March 13, 1867.

LEAH, b. Accrington, Eng., Aug., 1867; d. Nov., 1871.

RALPH, b. Accrington, Eng., Nov., 1869; d. Feb., 1871.

Mrs. Mary Ann d. Hopedale, Feb. 17, 1878. The hus. m., 2d, *Phœbe Foster Burnham*, dr. of Addison P. and Phœbe (Mears) Burnham, b. Manchester, Sept. 7, 1848; cer. in Mil., Dec. 30, 1879, by Rev. David O. Mears of Worcester. Mr. E., after continuing in his agency over 5 yrs., terminated the same, and left town. He has entered into business in another connection, and res., perhaps, in Lowell.

ERSKINE, JOHN, Esq., son of Christopher and Freelove (Green) Erskine; birth place and date not ascertained; m. *Harriet Bethiah Godfrey*, dr. of William and Nancy (Stearns) Godfrey, b. Mil., Aug. 13, 1810; cer. Mil., Sept. 20, 1830, by Rev. David Long. Issue:—

CLARA, b. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 28, 1834; m. James H. Clement, Aug. 2, 1852.

JOHN, Jun., b. Claremont, N.H., July 13, 1836; m. Catherine Walker, dr. Joseph Walker, Newton.

WILLIAM, b. Mil., Oct. 31, 1843; d. in early infancy.

Mr. Erskine was an enterprising business man in various parts of the world before he became a citizen here, which was in 1837 or 1838. He was capable and well qualified for public as well as private positions. He served his fellow-citizens as town-clerk, justice of the peace, etc. He finally left town, and d. at the res. of Mrs. Clement, his dr. in Newton, July 5, 1861. Mrs. Harriet B., his respected wid., has res. mostly in Boston since his death, enjoying comparatively good health and vigor.

ESTABROOK, Joseph Mason, son of Joseph and Mehetabel (Mason) Estabrook, b. Holden, Sept. 17, 1837; m. *Mary Caroline Whitmore*, dr. of James H. and Martha Ann (Stowe) Whitmore, b. Framingham, April 9, 1843; cer. in Worcester, Nov. 26, 1867, by Rev. Merrill Richardson. One adopted dr.:—

Pauline, b. Montpelier, Vt., Aug. 29, 1869.

Mr. Estabrook is well known as a partner in the enterprising firm of "Estabrook, Wires, & Co.," clinching-screw manufacturers, etc., Spring St., opposite Front. Business and social standing of himself and family eminently good.

ESTES, Henry, and wf. *Susan*, are credited with one child born here,—

Henry, b. May 2, 1833. Family no further traced.

ESTY, John Westley, son of Warren and Alice (Leavens) Esty, b. Warren, April 6, 1850; machinist; m. *Lucinda Maria Gaskill*, dr. of Micajah C. and Alzada (Gould) Gaskill, b. Mendon, March 4, 1858; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., July 7, 1878, by Rev. C. J. White. Issue:—

Jesse Arlon, b. Hopedale, Feb. 8, 1879. Res. Hopedale 3 yrs.

EVANS, Samuel, and wf. *Ruth* (*Green*), are credited with chn. as follows:—

James Green, b. Sept. 11, 1816; d. Oct. 13, 1818.

Daniel, b. July 6, 1818.

Rowland G., b. July 30, 1820.

Amanda Malvina, b. Feb. 5, 1827; d. Jan. 27, 1828.

Samuel J., b. Jan. 1, 1829; m. Elizabeth A. Warren, May 9, 1849.

Mary Elizabeth, b. May 14, 1831.

Benjamin Franklin, b. March 3, 1833.

Mr. Evans d. Dec. 23, 1849. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., subsequently m. Capt. Timothy Perry of Hop., who d. suddenly March 14, 1860, in his 72d yr. I am told Mrs. Ruth has since d. Samuel J. Evans and family res. several yrs. in town, but left. I am quite unable to trace any of the family further.

FAIRBANKS, Amasa, pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Rhoda Barber*, dr. of Hamlet and Rhoda (Ware Clark) Barber, b. Oct. 22, 1783; cer. Oct. 11, 1807, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Sabin Farrington, b. July 10, 1808.

Hamlet Barber, b. Oct. 2, 1809.

Sally, b. Nov. 16, 1811.

William, b. Aug. 31, 1813.

Eliza Ann, b. Sept. 15, 1815.

Annette, b. March 22, 1817.

Mary Adams, b. July 10, 1823.

I find myself unable to trace this family further.

FAIRBANKS, Gideon, and wf. *Patty*, or *Polly*, res. several yrs. on now So. Main St., near Eli Bowker. I find his name on tax-list for 1818, about which time I suspect he must have come into town; and I have an impression of being told that he came from So. Franklin. No chn. are recorded to this pair. Gideon Fairbanks d. Aug. 14, 1826. Mrs. Polly, his wid., afterwards m. Isaac Davenport, Esq.

FAIRBANKS, Leonard, son of Leonard and Keziah (Harding) Fairbanks, b. E. Medway, Sept. 11, 1820; cabinet-maker, undertaker, and sexton; came into Mil., Nov. 1, 1839; m., 1st, *Sarah Cobb*, dr. of Elmer and Sylvia (Johnson) Cobb, b. Mil., May 2, 1824; cer. Aug. 15, 1847, by Rev. Preston Pond. She d. childless, March 28, 1858. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Pendleton*, dr. of Robert and Mary (Franklin) Pendleton, b. Ashford, Ct., Oct. 22, 1823; cer. Feb. 19, 1860, by Rev. J. C. Bodwell of Framingham. She d.

childless, Oct. 22, 1863. The hus. m., 3d, *Amanda Whitman*, wid. of J. D. Whitman, and dr. of Robert and Sophia Clark, b. Unity, N.H., May 2, 1833; cer. in Ashland, July 22, 1866. Issue:—

Abbie Augusta, b. Nov. 16, 1871; d. July 1, 1877.

Adopted dr., Gracie, b. Boston, Nov. 2, 1875.

OTHER FAIRBANKSES IN DIRECTORIES.

FAIRBANKS, George, farmer, No. Purchase. 1856, '78.
FAIRBANKS, George, cabinet-maker. 1856.
FAIRBANKS, John E., farmer, No. Purchase. 1856.
FAIRBANKS, George H., Jun., bootmaker. 1869, '72, '75, '78.
FAIRBANKS, George T., bootmaker. 1869.
FAIRBANKS, George, painter. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
FAIRBANKS, Henry C., bootmaker. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
FAIRBANKS, Benjamin, farmer, No. Purchase. 1869.
FAIRBANKS, Charles, carpenter. 1869.
FAIRBANKS, Albert F., bootmaker. 1872, '75.
FAIRBANKS, Charles T., sole-leather cutter. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
FAIRBANKS, Nahum B., bootmaker. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
FAIRBANKS, William H., farmer, No. Purchase. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
FAIRBANKS, Elizabeth, wid. of Benjamin. 1878.
FAIRBANKS, Andrew J., bds. George Anderson's. 1880.
FAIRBANKS, W. Augustus, tinsmith. 1880.

None of these have reported any family record.

FALES. Our most conspicuous families of this name are descendants of James Fales, originally written Vales. He came from Chester, Eng., early in the 17th century, and was among the first settlers in Dedham while it was called by the name "Contentment." He signed the original ch. covenant of that plantation on the 10th day of the 7th month (Sept.), 1636, O. S. He was admitted a townsman, or freeman, of Dedham in 1653. He served as a soldier in King Philip's devastating war of 1675–76. He m. Anna Brock of Dedham, in 1654, and by her had 3 sons and 4 drs. The names of his sons were James, John, and Ebenezer. James m. Dorothy Fisher of Dedham, and set. in what is now Walpole, where his descendants have continued to dwell for over 200 yrs. John set. in Wrentham, and m. Eunity Hawes. They are the ancestors of the families of this name now in Wrentham and other parts of the country. Ebenezer inherited the farm of James,[1] which was located in that part of Dedham now known as East St. James[1] had a James,[2] who had a son Peter,[3] who had a son Peter,[4] who had a son Amaziah,[5] who had a son Aaron Clark.[6] With this Aaron Clark[6] I commence my tabulations.

FALES, Aaron Clark[6] (Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. Walpole, July 6, 1756; m. *Hephzibah Everett*, b. Dedham, Feb. 1, 1763; cer. in Walpole, July 3, 1783, by Rev. J. W. Chickering. Their chn.:—

Lewis, b. April 9, 1785.
Mary, b. July 4, 1787.
Sally, b. May 12, 1791.
Lowell, b. July 29, 1793; m., 1st, Sally Cole; 2d, Alpha (Wheelock) Bowker.
Eunity, b. Aug. 9, 1796.
Silas, b. June 10, 1798; m., 1st, Maria Fisher, Dec. 10, 1828; 2d, Roxa Perrigo.
Warren, b. Nov. 22, 1800.
William Everett, b. March 7, 1803.

Aaron C. was 19 yrs. old when the Revolutionary War broke out, and on the 19th of April, 1775, marched to Lexington as fifer for a Walpole company, under Capt. Seth Bullard. During the war he rendered various terms of service. He was a member of the 7th Co., commanded by Capt. Perez Cushing, in Crafts' Regt. Artillery, whereof Paul Revere was Lieut.-Col. He took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights, which resulted in the evacuation of Boston. He was at West Point under command of the traitor Benedict Arnold, and saw him rowed off, on the night of his desertion, to the British brig "Vulture," by 8 men of his company. He held a respectable standing in all the circles of society in which he moved. He d. in Walpole, Sept. 25, 1826. His wid. d. April 2, 1853.

FALES, LOWELL[7] (Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. Walpole, July 29, 1793; mr.'s maiden name, Hephzibah Everett; m., 1st, *Sally Cole*, dr. of Noah and Abilena (Freeman) Cole; cer. Jan. 28, 1817; other particulars not given. No chn. Mrs. Sally d. Nov. 24, 1818, a. 22 yrs.; and the hus. m., 2d, *Alpha (Wheelock) Bowker*, dr. of Obadiah and Lydia (Thurber) Wheelock, and wid. of Ethan Bowker, b. Mil., Nov. 28, 1798; cer. in Mil., Feb. 9, 1824, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM EVERETT, b. No. Providence, R.I., Dec. 11, 1824; m. Mary L. Warfield, 1852.

SARAH COLE, b. Mil., Oct. 21, 1827; d. Feb. 26, 1829.

SARAH ELIZABETH, b. Mil., April 15, 1830.

GEORGE, b. Mil., Feb. 5, 1832; d. May 5, 1844.

LOWELL, Jun., b. Mil., Oct. 19, 1834; m. Julia A. Bates, 1872.

SUSAN, b. Mil., July 19, 1837.

Lowell Fales, the hus. and fr., came to Mil. in March, 1815, to build a wheelwright shop or carriage factory for Dea. Peter Rockwood. He was a master builder all his active life, and was the principal contractor for the erection of churches and other public edifices in this general vicinity many yrs. He was a very executive and reliable man in his calling, an excellent citizen, and universally respected for his solid worth in all the relations of life; and he was the head of a family of like moral and social character. He d. quietly, sitting in his easy-chair, after a comparatively short decline, Jan. 13, 1875, a. 81 yrs. 5 mos. and 16 ds. Mrs. Alpha had a long and wasting decline. She d. Nov. 15, 1875, a. 78 yrs. 11 mos. and 18 ds. Their homestead was in So. Mil., in the vicinity of the ancient schoolhouse common, and their dwelling-house on Plain St.

FALES, SILAS[7] (Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. Walpole, June 10, 1798; m., 1st, *Maria Fisher*, dr. of Daniel and Nabby Fisher, b. Walpole, March 22, 1801; cer. Dec. 10, 1823, by whom not given. Their chn.:—

LEWIS, b. Walpole, June 19, 1824; m. Sarah A. Wheelock, Aug. 26, 1862.

CHARLES, b. Walpole, June 24, 1826.

SILAS EVERETT, b. Walpole, Aug. 10, 1828.

JOEL FISHER, b. Walpole, Sept. 29, 1830; m. Olive Lewis; he d. April 2, 1876.

HARRIET MARIE, b. Walpole, Sept. 6, 1833.

Mrs. Maria d. Dec. 30, 1833. The hus. m., 2d, *Roxa Perrigo* of Wrentham, in 1834. Their chn.:—

HENRY EDWIN, b. Walpole, Nov. 6, 1837; m. Clara A. Hayward, Nov. 5, 1867.

MARIA ALICE ELIZA, b. Walpole, April 18, 1839.

MILTON EMMONS, b. Walpole, Aug. 13, 1840.

HARRIET ANNA, b. Walpole, April 9, 1842.

SARAH PERRIGO, b. Walpole, Jan. 2, 1846.

Of the qualities and characteristics of this family I have no personal knowledge, except that which I derive from acquaintance with the two members who have made Mil. their home. From these specimens I infer an eminent rank for the whole. Silas, the hus. and fr., was a carpenter and farmer. He d. Sept. 7, 1877. Concerning Mrs. Roxa I am not further informed.

FALES, Lewis, Esq.[8] (Silas,[7] Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. Walpole, June 19, 1824; m. *Sarah A. Wheelock*, dr. of Andrus and Lovice (Hill) Wheelock, b. Mendon, March 22, 1829; cer. in Blackstone, Aug. 26, 1862, by Rev. George B. Hamlin. No chn., except the following named by adoption:—

Francis Lewis, b. March 13, 1865.

Willard Lewis, b. Feb. 27, 1868.

These are sons of Joel Fisher and Olive (Lewis) Fales, and were nephews by natural kindred to Lewis, Esq. He adopted them on the death of their fr., which took place April 2, 1876. They are intelligent, docile, and affectionate lads, and very dear to their adoptive parents. Mr. Fales came to Mil. in 1841, and has ever since res. here. His wf. was long one of our most competent, efficient, and successful public-school teachers. His own regular occupation has been that of architect, in which line he has had abundant employment, and been deservedly popular. But his fellow-citizens soon found him so ready and trustworthy in the despatch of public business, that they loaded him down with all sorts of official responsibility. He was town-clerk from 1859 to 1881, and justice of the peace from 1861. Town offices, both statutory and special, courted his acceptance, beyond his strength to execute. In parochial affairs, masonry, and the various voluntary associations, he has had his hands full of duties and honors; yet he has been a man of such unpretentious modesty as to win his positions and influence without asking for them. At the date of this writing he has just gone to Florida with his family, under serious pressure of pulmonary, or, perhaps, bronchial debility, hoping to find in the restorative elements of that genial climate the health which the severe cold of ours has greatly endangered. Hosts of friends followed him and his accompanying family with earnest good wishes for their success. It was not complete; and he returned in the early summer of 1881, too great an invalid to resume active business. He d. greatly lamented and honored Sept. 11, 1881.

FALES, Henry Edwin, Esq.[8] (Silas,[7] Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. Walpole, Nov. 6, 1837; mr.'s maiden name, Roxa Perrigo; m., 1st, name and particulars not given, who d.; and he m., 2d, *Clara A. Hayward*, dr. of Samuel W. and Ann Janette (Bullard) Hayward, b. Mil., Dec. 17, 1844; cer. Mil., Nov. 5, 1867, by Rev. J. B. Thornton. Issue:—

Harold Everett, b. Mil., May 21, 1871.

Clara Ethalyn, b. Mil., July 16, 1879.

Mr. Fales came to Mil. in 1863. I had his promise of a more complete family record, and an outline sketch of his induction into professional life, but for some reason have failed to receive them. He is a man of strong natural abilities, ambition, and practical tact; has been largely self-educated, and succeeds well in his profession. He was admitted to the bar May 3, 1863, and is law partner with James R. Davis, Esq., under the firm title, "Fales & Davis." He has been captain of militia, and is receiving honorable civil promotion, with a promising future before him.

FALES, William Everett[8] (Lowell,[7] Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3]

James,[2] James[1]), b. in No. Providence, R.I.. Dec. 11, 1824; mr.'s maiden name, Alpha Wheelock; m. *Mary Louisa Warfield*, dr. of Samuel and Martha (Johnson) Warfield, b. in Mil., July 28, 1827; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 3, 1852, by the writer. Issue: —

GEORGE THURBER, b. Mil., May 1, 1853; m. Ellen Augusta Packard, Oct. 6, 1880.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Aug. 31, 1855.

LOWELL ETHAN, b. Mil., Sept. 28, 1858.

Mr. Fales is an executive, enterprising carpenter, whose homestead is on So. Main St., near where Howard branches off. The family comes of a good stock on both sides, and worthily sustains the ancestral reputation.

FALES, LOWELL, Jun.[8] (Lowell,[7] Aaron Clark,[6] Amaziah,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] James,[2] James[1]), b. in Mil., Oct. 19, 1834; mr.'s maiden name, Alpha Wheelock; m. *Julia Ann Bates*, dr. of Benjamin and Susan Reed (Payson) Bates, b. in Mil., 1846; cer. in Mil., Jan. 2, 1872, by Rev. C. W. Redding. Issue: —

FRANK LOWELL, b. Mil., Nov. 26, 1872; d. Dec. 29, 1878.

COURTLAND WINFIELD, b. Mil., April 17, 1875; d. Aug. 19, 1875.

In the lineal descent, a good carpenter. Homestead Grove, corner of Forest St. Family pedigree on both sides reputably sustained.

Several other families of the name Fales have res. for longer or shorter periods in town; but I am not posted on their pedigree or family records.

FALES, HORACE, with wf. and 5 chn., lived in the "Salt-Box," so called, in the north-westerly section of Mil., on the Davenport road. On the P.M. of Feb. 24, 1846, their tenement took fire; and they were completely burnt out. They were poor people, and received kind assistance from their neighbors, among whom were our Hopedalians. Whence this family came, or whither they went, I never knew.

FALES, LEWIS, a butcher, dwelt many yrs. on West St., now so called, and perhaps in other localities. His name appears in the "Sargeant Directory" of 1856; and I have often heard him spoken of in his calling, but can give no account of his lineage, wf., or chn.

FALES, HENRY, is mentioned as a bootmaker, who boarded somewhere on now Cedar St. No knowledge of him.

FALES, GEORGE L., is mentioned in the Directory of 1869. Some others of later date have attracted my attention; but from none of these have I received any reports.

FARNUM, DAVID[5] (Peter,[4] Moses,[3] Moses,[2] Jonathan[1]); birth-date not ascertained; m. *Betsey Parkhurst*, dr. of Ithiel and Catherine (Rawson) Parkhurst, b. Mil., April 26, 1798; cer. Mil., Nov. 2, 1823, by Rev. Hezekiah Thatcher. Issue; —

ITHIEL PARKHURST, b. (Farnumsville) Grafton, Feb. 20, 1825; m. Laura E. Moore, 1860.

ELIZABETH, b. (Farnumsville) Grafton, March 20, 1828; unm.; res. Medway.

The family moved from Farnumsville into Mil. about the yr. 1854 or 1855. Upright, orderly, peaceable people. Mr. F. d. here Jan. 14, 1871. His wf. soon followed him; she d. Feb. 12, 1871. He d. at the a. of 74 yrs.; she, at the a. of 71 yrs.

FARNUM, ITHIEL PARKHURST[6] (David,[5] Peter,[4] Moses,[3] Moses,[2] Jonathan[1]), b., as above, Feb. 20, 1825; m. *Laura E. Moore* of Marlborough; cer. April 3, 1860. Issue: —

A. C. Hay M.D.

GEORGE E., b. Aug. 18, 1862.

GRACE, b. May 11, 1870.

The hus. and fr. has, I believe, long been engaged in the boot business. He owns a dwelling-house in town, but has for some yrs. had his family res. in Chicago, Ill.

FARRAH, BENJAMIN, was m. to *Deborah Rockwood*, Sept. 25, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. No further traced.

FARRINGTON, ELIJAH, and wf. *Puah*, pedigree, etc., not ascertained, had, —

DEXTER, b. July 28, 1804; m. Hephzibah Claflin, Nov. 12, 1830. They res. Holl.

DAVID, b. July 10, 1806; untraced.

ELIJAH, Jun., b. Sept. 9, 1808; m. Betsey Ellis, Nov. 14, 1833; she d. April 10, 1842.

JOHN, b. March 6, 1811; d. Holl., May 8, 1842.

HANNAH CLAFLIN, b. July 18, 1813; m. James Russell Claflin, March, 1836. She d. June 3, 1864.

AARON HAYDEN, b. Aug. 3, 1816; d. March 10, 1818.

I have not at ready command any further data respecting this family.

FARRINGTON, ELIJAH, Jun., son of Elijah and Puah, b., as above, Sept. 9, 1808; m. *Betsey Ellis*, dr. of John and Betsey (Hero) Ellis, b. 1810; cer. Nov. 14, 1833, by the writer. Issue: —

JANE E., b. Aug. 16, 1838.

JOHN E., b. April 4, 1842. Mrs. Betsey, the mr., d. April 10, 1842.

Family no further traced.

FAY. Only a few of this name have been numbered among our inhabitants. Two or three transient sojourners preceded the late Dr. Allen C. Fay, who set. here in 1837, and continued permanently among us until his recent death. Dr. Joseph A. Fay, his son, has favored me with a valuable manuscript genealogy of the Fays, which enables me to trace his fr.'s ancestry back to John Fay. It appears that this ancestral immigrant was b. in Eng. about the yr. 1648; that he arrived at Boston in the ship "Speedwell" from Gravesend, June 27, 1656, — a young man of 18 yrs.; that he first went to Sudbury, and soon after set. in Marlborough, where he lived till his death, except for a short time at Watertown during King Philip's war; that he was twice m., and had 8 chn.; and that he d. Dec. 5, 1690. From these sprang a numerous progeny, including most, if not all, the Fays in the neighboring towns for many miles around, besides a host scattered far and wide over the country. I therefore proceed.

FAY, ALLEN CLARK, M.D.[6] (Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Gershom,[3] Gershom,[2] John[1]); mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Graves, dr. of Elias and Sarah (Clark) Graves, b. in Walpole, N.H., Sept. 28, 1803; graduated 1834 at Woodstock (Vt.) Medical College, besides reading with the celebrated "old Dr. Twitchell" in Keene, N.H.; m., 1st, *Hannah Leonard Kingsbury*, dr. of Ephraim and Hannah L. Kingsbury, b. Alstead, N.H., July 15, 1805; cer. Alstead, N.H., June 23, 1828, by Rev. Seth S. Arnold. Their chn.: —

ELMIRA, b. Walpole, N.H., June 21, 1829; d. March 12, 1832.

HARRIET ELMIRA, b. Alstead, N.H., June 24, 1832; d. Feb. 16, 1834.

CHARLES REDDINGTON, b. Winchendon, Mass., April 16, 1834; d. Aug. 27, 1835.

Mrs. Hannah d. in Mil., April 27, 1842. Dr. Fay m., 2d, *Emily Ann Kingsbury*, dr. of Joseph and Kezia Kingsbury, b. Alstead, N.H., July 10, 1815; cer. in Alstead, N.H., June 7, 1843, by Rev. Darwin Adams. Their chn.: —

Joseph Allen, b. Mil., March 8, 1844; see his record below.

Emily Sophia, b. Mil., Aug. 20, 1846; d. April 3, 1848.

Charles Kingsbury, b. Mil., March 3, 1851; d. April 6, 1853.

Mrs. Emily, a woman of great worth, and highly esteemed by all who were privileged to know her, d. in Mil. quite suddenly, Dec. 15, 1878. Dr. Fay commenced practice in Winchendon, whence he came hither in 1836. Dr. Addison S. Peck was just then the only physician in town, having succeeded his fr., Dr. Gustavus D. Peck, who had removed to Sunderland. Dr. Fay contracted with the younger Dr. P. to take his practice, and purchase his real estate, — a part of what had belonged aforetime to the elder Dr. P., and had come down from Nathaniel Morse through Eleazer Wight and his son Abner. Having planted himself in his new position, Dr. Fay soon commanded an ample professional field, and achieved a large success, which he held fast till the infirmities of age compelled him to relinquish it to his son. "The Milford Journal" of June 23, 1880, in announcing his death on the preceding Friday, June 18, 1880, closes its notice thus: —

"The deceased was president of the Milford Gas-Light Company at the time of his death, and had been a member of the Thurber Medical Institute from the day of its organizing, and was always permanently and zealously identified with its interests. He always enjoyed a wide reputation as a skilful, careful practitioner; and his death will be sincerely mourned in many a family in Milford and its vicinity. He was a man of great geniality and good humor, which characteristics he retained to the last."

FAY, Joseph Allen, M.D.[7] (Dr. Allen C.,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Gershom,[3] Gershom,[2] John [1]), b. in Mil., as aforesaid, March 8, 1844; grad. Berkshire Med. Col. at Pittsfield, and commenced practice 1867, in connection with his fr. He has been eminently successful, and ranks high in his profession, as well as in all the relations of society. He m. *Georgie Glackmeyer*, dr. of George and Charlotte (Halstead) Glackmeyer, b. in New Orleans, La., Sept. 27, 1850; cer. in Brooklyn, N.Y., April 22, 1875, by Rev. Dr. C. W. Homer. Thus far 1 child of brief life: —

Hattie, b. Oct. 12, 1876; d. Oct. 18, 1876, a. only 6 days.

Dr. J. Allen Fay is sole inheritor of the paternal estate, has a wide field of usefulness before him, and gives promise of a prosperous career in life.

FAY, Lowell, pedigree untraced; m. *Eleanor Leland*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah (Jones) Leland, b. Holl., 1810. They had 2 chn. b. here; viz., —

Elizabeth Smith, b. June 22, 1832.

Emily Marsh, b. Dec. 27, 1833.

They res. in town several yrs., and afterwards dwelt in Upton. No further traced.

FAY, Frank I., clerk, is a recent comer. He appears first in Directory for 1880.

FELTON, Nathaniel, and wf. *Abigail*, pedigree, etc., untraced, stand credited with the birth of one child, —

Welcome, b. April 6, 1832. No further mentioned.

FELTON, Landsford Burr, recently decd., came into town some 28 to 30 yrs. ago, from Barre, I think. He and his wf. became well known to our general community as host and hostess of our hotels, and won deserved popularity by their genial deportment towards all who had occasion to hold intercourse with them. They were uncompromising temperance people in the midst of temptation to countenance the contrary habits. Later, Mr. F. was a

successful master hackman; and, last, a practical farmer on a part of the ancient Daniell homestead, between Main St. E. and Medway St. He owned the buildings, and a considerable portion of the farm. His predecessors there were Josiah Partridge, Jasper Daniell, Oliver Daniell, and Samuel Daniell.

Mr. F. gave me his grandparents' names as Stephen and Sarah (Deland) Felton. They were of New Salem. He was b. there Oct. 21, 1756, and she also May 27, 1767. He served 9 mos. in the Revolutionary war. They were m. there Oct. 22, 1777, prob. by Rev. Mr. Foster. Issue:—

Abigail, b. July 12, 1778; m. a Mr. Foster; she d. June 21, 1802, a. 24 yrs.
Rachel, b. May 24, 1780, m., 1st, Ezekiel Leonard; 2d, Dea. Mears.
Stephen, b. May 18, 1782; m. Rhoda Ayers, 1811; and d., without issue, 1817.
Lydia, b. June 10, 1784; d. July 8, 1803, a. nearly 20 yrs.
Daniel, b. March 9, 1787; m. Fanny Holden of New Salem.
Thorndike, b. April 26, 1789; m. Joanna Chamberlain of Pembroke.
Sarah, b. June 6, 1791; m., 1st, Mr. Hooper; 2d, Mr. Macomber; no issue.
Proctor, b. May 17, 1794; m. a Mrs. Prescott with 5 chn.; he d. 1874.
George Deland, b. Jan. 25, 1797; d. Sept. 30, 1802.
Ebenezer, b. May 21, 1800; m., 1st, Drury, 8 chn.; 2d, Topliff, 7 chn.; still living.
Abigail, 2d, b. March 22, 1803; untraced.
George Deland, 2d, b. Dec. 12, 1805; now living.

The parents and most of the chn. belonged to the farming class. The fr. d. April 8, 1841, a. 84 yrs. The mr. d. March 18, 1848, a. 86 yrs.

FELTON, Thorndike, son of Stephen and Sarah (Deland) Felton, b. April 26, 1789; m. *Joanna Chamberlain*, dr. of Freedom and Priscilla (Joselyn) Chamberlain, b. Pembroke, Oct. 10, 1789; cer. Nov., 1815, in New Salem, by Rev. Alpheus Harding. Issue:—

Landsford Burr, b. Aug. 29, 1815; m. Harriet Augusta Parker, May 3, 1838.
Stephen, b. 1817.
Lydia, m. Daniel Felton of Hanover.
Rebecca, m. Sylvanus Bates.
William, d. in early infancy.

The fr. d. in New Salem, Oct., 1825. The mr. d. in Hanover, Jan., 1875.

FELTON, Landsford Burr, son of Thorndike and Joanna (Chamberlain) Felton; b. New Salem, Aug. 29, 1815; m. *Harriet Augusta Parker*, dr. of Samuel and Hannah (Fay) Parker, b. Hardwick, Sept. 13, 1819; cer. in Hardwick, May 3, 1838, by Rev. John Goldsbury. Issue:—

Fisk Albert, b. Barre, May 18, 1844; m. Lizzie Madora Chase of Boston.
Frank Burr, b. Mil., June 3, 1853; m. Katie Elizabeth Smith, Jan. 16, 1876.
Lona Forest, b. Mil., Jan. 22, 1855; d. March 5 ensuing.
Etta Luzell, b. Mil., March 25, 1856; d. Jan. 19, 1858.

Mr. F. was held in respectful estimation as a citizen, and honored with several town offices. Also, in the various associations of which he was a member, as well as the public, he and his companion had a reputable standing. He d. rather suddenly, March 29, 1880, on his homestead, and his remains repose in Pine-grove Cemetery. His worthy wid. and 2 sons survive. The eldest son res., I believe, in Boston. He and wf. have 2 chn. Frank B. and wf. dwell on the family homestead with their widowed mother.

FIELD. John Field was an eminent astronomer. He was born in London, Eng., about the yr. 1520, and d. at Ardsley in 1587. He left 8 sons and 1 dr. Several of his grandsons emigrated to this country, and are said to be the ancestors of nearly all the Fields in New England, New York, and New Jersey. Among these were Zechariah, John, and William Field. Zechariah first set. in Dorchester, but removed with a colony to Hartford, Ct.; whence, in 1659, he removed to Hadley, thence to Northampton, and thence, in 1663, to Hatfield. There he d. in 1666. He is the ancestor of the Connecticut-river Fields generally. John and William, two bros., were cousins of Zechariah; and they set. with Roger Williams in Providence, R.I., about the yr. 1636. John Field, jun., left Providence, and set. in West Bridgewater about 1677. He had a son Richard, he a son Jabez, and he a son Ephraim. This Ephraim emigrated to Paris, Me., and there had a son Zibeon, the fr. of our two prominent Fields, Perley P. and Zibeon C. These, reckoning from John of Providence, are of the 7th generation. Some interesting particulars of this lineage, on both the male and female sides, have been given me, but are omitted for brevity's sake.

FIELD, ZIBEON[6] (Ephraim,[5] Jabez,[4] Richard,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Bridgewater, Dec. 7, 1795; m. *Lydia Howe*, b. April 28, 1798; cer. April 27, 1818. Their chn.:—

ANSEL S., b. April 13, 1819; m. Clarissa D. Butterfield, and res. several yrs. in Mil.

ZIBEON C., b. Dec. 29, 1821; d. in infancy, Oct. 4, 1823.

FRANCIS B., b. Dec. 16, 1823; m. Abby Bradbury of Farmington, Me.

BELINDA, b. Oct. 6, 1828; m., 1st, Thomas Hiscock; 2d, Cyrus W. Bailey; both some time in Mil.

PERLEY P., b. March 22, 1830; m., 1st, Charlotte P. Corbett; 2d, Lurency Stone; 3d, Emma Fogg.

ZIBEON C., b. Dec. 25, 1831; m., 1st, Lydia Ann Corbett; 2d, Anna Thwing.

MASON G., b. March 23, 1835; m. Helen Ripley; res. several yrs. in Mil.

CAROLINE E., b. May 23, 1837; m. Ithiel Welch; res. here 2 yrs.

DANA A., b. Aug. 9, 1839; m. Melissa Holbrook; served as a soldier from Mil.

LYDIA J., b. Oct. 3, 1841; m. Leonard Ripley, and res. Paris, Me.

Mrs. Lydia d. Nov. 7, 1847. The hus. subsequently m. Mrs. Eliza Whitman, and they had 3 drs.; names, etc., omitted.

FIELD, ANSEL S.[7] (Zibeon,[6] Ephraim,[5] Jabez,[4] Richard,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Paris, Me., April 13, 1819; m. *Clarissa*, dr. of John Butterfield, Farmington, Me. They lived several yrs. in the north part of Mil., and had then 6 chn.; names not given. Now set. in Tustin City, Cal.

FIELD, FRANCIS B., the next oldest bro., never res. here. He travelled extensively in the Southern States, finally set. down in Farmington, Me., and d. treasurer of Franklin Co., May, 1854. It seems that the oldest sister, and both her successive husbands, Hiscock and Bailey, lived here several years.

FIELD, PERLEY P.[7] (Zibeon,[6] Ephraim,[5] Jabez,[4] Richard,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Paris, Me., March 22, 1830; came here, and engaged in business, 1849. He m., 1st, *Charlotte P.*, dr. of Col. Peter and Hopestill S. (Prentice) Corbett, b. Oct. 7, 1833; cer. at Hopedale, Aug. 15, 1854, by the writer. Their chn.:—

FRANCES P., b. Feb. 8, 1858; d. in infancy.

Zibeon C. Field

ABBIE LOUISA, b. May 2, 1863; d. in infancy.

Mrs. Charlotte d. Sept. 7, 1865. The hus. m., 2d, *Lurency Stone*, who lived but a few yrs. He m., 3d, Mrs. *Emma L. Fogg;* cer. June 5, 1872. Issue, 1 son, —

PRENTICE PERLEY, b. June 23, 1873.

Mr. Field removed a while to Holl., but has returned, and is prosecuting the coal and lumber business with his accustomed enterprise.

FIELD, ZIBEON C.[7] (Zibeon,[6] Ephraim,[5] Jabez,[4] Richard,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Paris, Me., Dec. 25, 1831; came to Mil. in 1848; m., 1st, *Lydia Ann Corbett*, dr. of Col. Peter and Hopestill S. (Prentice) Corbett, b. Aug. 20, 1836; cer. March 5, 1858, by Rev. J. R. Johnson. Their chn.: —

PRENTICE CORBETT, b. May 20, 1859; d. Jan. 7, 1863.

FRANCES DANA, b. Dec. 8, 1861.

CHARLOTTE THAYER, b. Oct. 9, 1865.

GRACE PRENTICE, b. Dec. 12, 1868.

Mrs. Lydia Ann d. March 21, 1872, in her 36th yr. The hus. m., 2d, *Anna Thwing*, dr. of Almon and Sarah Ann (Darling) Thwing, b. in Uxbridge, March 21, 1842; cer. at the parental home in Hopedale, June 17, 1874, by the writer.

Mr. Field's business enterprise, public services as selectman, rep. to Gen. Court, justice peace, school committeeman, etc., are too well and favorably known by our citizens generally to need any testimony of commendation. His wives have been worthy of him, and the present one has won deserved encomiums by her long efficiency and excellence as a teacher in our public schools.

FIELD, MASON G., the next bro. in age, res. here for several yrs., but is now doing business in Syracuse, N.Y.

FIELD, DANA, the next oldest bro., served this town faithfully throughout the war of the Rebellion. See his record in the war chap.

FIELD, PHINEAS[6] (Erastus,[5] William,[4] Jonathan,[3] Joseph,[2] Zechariah[1]), b. Leverett, March 13, 1809; m. *Thankful M. Field*, dr. of Silas and Mary (Woodbury) Field, b. in Leverett, April 25, 1812; cer. Nov. 27, 1834, by Freegrace Reynolds. Their chn.: —

EDWARD, b. Nov. 11, 1835; d. Aug. 9, 1837.

HENRY, b. July 19, 1838; d. Oct. 1, 1838.

AUSTIN, b. Feb. 14, 1840; m. Ophelia Field, June 13, 1872; res. No. Hadley.

CLARA, b. Sept. 19, 1843; d. Nov. 28, 1864.

MATILDA, b. Nov. 15, 1845; d. Hopedale, Oct. 23, 1846.

ADIN WILMARTH, b. Dec. 13, 1853; m. Lucinda Pratt, July 30, 1876; she d. Jan. 2, 1877.

It will be seen that Phineas, and Thankful, his wf., were descendants of Zechariah Field. All branches of the Fields appear to have a very creditable record for intelligence, reliable integrity, and good moral character. Phineas and family honored their lineage. He was a free-minded, generous-hearted, conscientious man, and an intimate friend of Dr. Butler Wilmarth, who together were original co-operators with me in founding the Hopedale Community. Circumstances prevented him and his family from dwelling with us more than about one year. That yr., 1846–47, proved a very sickly one, during which his little dr. Matilda d. of the prevailing fever, and his wf. barely survived a dangerous visitation of the same disease. The family afterwards set. in No. Hadley, where at length he d. Dec. 25, 1877, in his 69th yr. I ministered at his funeral, which was honored by hosts of revering relatives and friends. His worthy wid. and two sons survived there at my last advices.

FINCH, Mordecai L., son of Lewis, jun., and Mary (Merrill) Finch, b. Pittstown, N.J., Jan. 17, 1826; m., 1st, *Arlitta Burr*, dr. of John and Eliza (Harris) Burr, b. Quincy, April 10, 1827; cer. in Milton, Feb. 18, 1847, by Rev. Mr. Oathman. Issue: —

David M., b. Boston, June 7, 1848; m. Lucy M. Page, Worcester, June 17, 1874.

George A., b. Mil., March 15, 1856; d. Mil., Nov. 2, 1871.

Mr. Finch has res. in Mil. 27 yrs. He is an executive and faithful baggage-master on our branch of the B. & A. R.Rd. Mrs. Arlitta d. here, April 12, 1874. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary R. Burr*, sister of his first wf., b. Millbury, Feb. 17, 1842; cer. Worcester, June 24, 1875, by Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington. No issue reported.

Grandchild: —

Arlitta, dr. of David M. and Lucy M. (Page) Finch, b. Mil., Nov. 6, 1875.

FISH, John, was the first of this name on our territory, in old Precinct times. I have not attempted to trace his pedigree. I learn no more of him than that he m. the wid. *Deborah Ward;* cer. May 7, 1752, by Rev. A. Frost.

FISH, Rev. William Henry[4] (Peleg,[3] Artemas,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Newport, R.I., March 25, 1812; m. *Anne Eliza Wright*, dr. of Ebenezer Wright, b. Providence, R.I., May 9, 1815; cer. in Providence, June 8, 1835, by Rev. George Bradburn. Issue, an only son, —

William Henry, Jun., b. Millville, March 1, 1844. See his record annexed to his fr.'s.

Mr. Fish, the fr., is a reputable Unitarian clergyman, now for several yrs. pastor of the First Parish in So. Scituate. He was originally a minister among the Independent Restorationists of the Massachusetts Association. In the movement for establishing our Community at Hopedale he was one of my leading coadjutors, and an influential resident member with us for nine yrs. Perhaps I cannot do better than give, in his own words, the following brief sketch of his biography: —

"My gt. gd. fr. was Benjamin Fish, b. in Eng., who came early to R.I., where he d. at the age of 75 yrs. He left a bro. Preserved, who also d. there at the age of 99 yrs. and 9 mos. My gd. fr., Artemas Fish of Portsmouth, R.I., sometimes preacher among the Quakers of the Elias Hicks order, was a man of much ability, and quite a theologian. Gd. fr. on my mr.'s side, George Sisson, was also of Portsmouth, R.I. He was a farmer, who lived to a great age, — 92 yrs.; and his wf., Amie (Sherman) Sisson, lived to be 96. My parents, Peleg and Alice (Sisson) Fish, were both b. in Portsmouth, R.I., but res. in Newport during all their married life. The most of my minority was spent in Newport and Providence. I commenced my settled ministry in Millville, Mass., in 1837, where I was ordained in the autumn of 1838 by an ecclesiastical council composed of Restorationists and Unitarians. Revs. Charles Hudson of Westminster, Paul Dean of Boston, Adin Ballou of Mendon, and Samuel Clarke of Uxbridge, were the most prominent among them. I remained in Millville 9 yrs., during which I preached and lectured on various reform subjects in several adjoining towns, spending one summer in Gardner, Mass. At the commencement of its organization I joined the Hopedale Community, but did not take up my res. with it till 1846, remaining there, as at Millville, 9 yrs., till 1855, doing, meanwhile, much missionary work. In 1855 I went to Central N. Y. on a missionary tour, under the auspices of the Hopedale Community, intending to remain only a few months, but continued there nearly 10 yrs. My cen-

tral points for preaching were McLean, Tompkins Co.; Cortland, Cortland Co.; and Vernon, Oneida Co., — going out from these permanent places into 60 different towns, from 5 to 100 miles distant. In 1865, by suggestion of Rev. Samuel J. May, I had a call to settle over the First Parish (Unitarian) in So. Scituate, Mass., and, after some hesitation, being reluctant to leave N. Y., accepted it, and still remain there, — over a society 325 yrs. old."

FISH, Rev. WILLIAM HENRY, Jun.[5] (William H., sen.,[4] Peleg,[3] Artemas,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Millville, March 1, 1844; came with his parents to Hopedale in 1846; trained and schooled there, chiefly under Abbie S. Ballou, till 12 yrs. of age; in Central N. Y., graduated from Cortland Academy, 1864, having previously spent a yr. in the Home School at Hopedale; in 1861, entered H. U., whence he graduated in the class of 1865; entered the divinity school at Cambridge, 1866, and graduated therefrom, 1869; spent one yr. in Europe in travel and study; preached 2 yrs. to the Unitarian society of Northampton, where he was ordained in May, 1870; m. *Helen*, dr. of Everett Case of Vernon, N.Y., June, 1872; went again to Europe in 1873, taking his wf. with him, and there they together had charge of a Unitarian Mission to the Poor in London for over a year; then accepted a call to the pastorate of the Unitarian society in Kidderminster, Eng., where he ministered for over a yr.; in 1876, returned to America, soon after which he settled over the Unitarian society in Troy, N.Y., where he still remains.

FISH, SUSANNA, a maiden lady of excellent character, b. in Foster, R.I., July 30, 1793; became early a member of the Hopedale Community, and res. for some time on its domain. She d. in Worcester, Jan. 21, 1852; and her remains were brought to Hopedale for funeral services and interment. Her dust rests among our honored dead.

FISH, LOUISA and HENRY, from N. Y. State, a niece and nephew of Susanna, and also *Margaret E.*, wf. of Henry, were at one time in our Community membership, but left it after a while, and long since removed to other localities.

FISHER, MELTIAH, son of Meltiah and Abby (Alley) Fisher, b. Nantucket, March 2, 1822; carpenter; m. *Azubah R. Eldredge*, dr. of Samuel and Betsey (Dill) Eldredge, b. Chatham, Aug. 9, 1824; cer. in Nantucket, Aug. 28, 1843, by George Cobb, Esq. Issue: —

CHARLES A., b. Nantucket, June 4, 1846; d. in his country's service, Sept. 9, 1864.

NELLIE, b. Mil., Sept. 4, 1864.

OTHER FISHERS IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

FISHER, DAVID, steam-mill. 1856, '69.
FISHER, ELIAS, bootmaker. 1856.
FISHER, LEWIS, of the Mansion House. 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78.
FISHER, JAMES, carriage-maker. 1856.
FISHER, SAMUEL, boxmaker. 1856, '69, '72.
FISHER, Mrs. DAVID, cloakmaker. 1869.
FISHER, HENRY M., peddler. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
FISHER, MARY E., clerk. 1869.
FISHER, ROBERT A., boxmaker. 1869.
FISHER, SAMUEL A., I. N. Davis & Co. 1869, '72, '75.
FISHER, SARAH L., wid. of Amasa. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
FISHER, Mrs. H. M., dressmaker. 1872, '75, '78, '80.

FISHER, James, carpenter. 1872.
FISHER, Josiah, carpenter. 1872.
FISHER, Samuel N., carpenter. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
FISHER, Thomas, farmer for J. T. Eames. 1872.
FISHER, William, carpenter. 1872.
FISHER, W. F., Underwood, Sons, & Fisher. 1872.
FISHER, Ellis C., clerk. 1878, '80.
FISHER, Henry M., clerk. 1869 to '78, 80.
FISHER, Louisa, widow. 1878.
FISHER, Levi G., Fisher & Curran. 1880.
FISHER, Mrs. M. J., 108 Main St. 1880.

Of all these Fishers, only one, Meltiah, reported to me a family record.

FISK, Jonathan, son of Benjamin and Margery (Wood) Fisk; m. *Gratia Wilson*, dr. of Samuel Wilson; cer. 1816, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. No birth-dates of the pair given. Issue:—

David Anson, b. Oct. 16, 1816; m. —— Handy.
Pauline Ann, b. July 23, 1818; m. George S. Lackey, June 5, 1839.
Benjamin Wheelock, b. Jan. 17, 1820; m. Frances Blake of Boston.
Lucius Carey, b. Aug. 3, 1821; m. Harriet E. Shepherd, Jan., 1851.
Elizabeth Melita, b. Sept., 1823; m. David Saunders.
Sarah Jane, b. Sept., 1825; m. Orlando J. Davis, Oct. 5, 1849.
Jonathan Edwin, b. Oct., 1828; m. Martha Cummings.
Charles Austin, b. Jan., 1831; in Upton Asylum.
William Prentice, b. June, 1833; m. Mary Hilton.
James Wood, b. Dec., 1835; m. Maria Smith.
Henry Philander, b. Nov., 1840; m. Elmira Augusta Bullard, Jan. 1, 1867.

The hus. and fr. dropped down and d. instantly, in 1857. Mrs. Gratia, his wid., d. in 1876.

FISK, Lucius Carey, son of Jonathan and Gratia (Wilson) Fisk; b. Aug. 3, 1821; m. *Harriet E. Shepherd*, dr. of Abram and Hannah (Webb) Shepherd, b. Plainfield, Ct., May 29, 1829; cer. Jan. 8, 1851, by Rev. Mr. Tillotson. Issue:—

Harriet Luella, b. Brooklyn, Ct., Oct. 14, 1851; m. Charles A. Miller.
Esther Esenor, b. Mil., July 24, 1853.
George Irving, b. Keene, N.H., Nov. 10, 1863.

Mr. Fisk and family now res. at Hopedale. He is an expert in Samuel Walker's boot-factory.

FISKE, James, M.D., youngest child of Rev. John, D.D., and Betsey, *alias* Elizabeth (Mellen) Fiske, b. in New Braintree (where his fr. was a venerated pastor for half a century), 1814; grad. from Dartmouth Col., or certainly from the medical school therewith connected, Hanover, N.H., about the yr. 1835; came to Mil. soon afterwards, and commenced the practice of medicine with fair success; m. *Mary Godfrey*, dr. of William and Nancy (Stearns) Godfrey, b. Oct. 12, 1816; cer. May 17, 1837, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Elizabeth R., b. Mil., Dec. 18, 1838; m. Maj. Samuel P. Lee; date not given.
Edward W., b. Mil., Aug. 29, 1841; m. Annie D. Lathrope; res. in Kansas.

Dr. Fiske fell an early victim to consumption at the outset of a promising career. He d. here July 1, 1843, a. 29 yrs. His worthy consort was spared to see her two chn. well started in connubial and business life. She lived in

exemplary widowhood over 35 yrs., and d. quite suddenly at last of typhoid fever in Princeton, Kan., Nov. 22, 1878. Her son Edward W. is engaged in the cattle-raising business in Kansas. He m. a lady b. in the State of Delaware; and they have 1 dr., named after his mr., MARY GODFREY.

FISK, JAMES JONES, son of Joel and Hannah (Turner) Fisk, b. in Medway, Jan. 14, 1806; shoemaker, etc.; m. *Rebekah Prouty*, dr. of Artemas and Rebekah (Perrin) Prouty, b. Langdon, N.H., Feb. 20, 1813; cer. Charlestown, N.H., Nov. 20, 1832, by Rev. Mr. Crosby. Issue:—

MARION ELIZA, b. Bell., Nov. 15, 1835; m. Alvan A. Sweet, Nov. 15, 1856.

HAMBLET BARBER, b. Bell., March 27, 1838; m. Eliza Hawes, Oct. 21, 1874.

A small, unpretentious, but exemplary family; now res. So. Mil., formerly in Bell., and at one time in Mendon. Mrs. Rebekah d. June 12, 1853; and the hus. m., 2d, *Marinda Prouty*, perhaps sister of his 1st wf., b. July 11, 1815; cer. at Bellows Falls, Vt., Aug. 10, 1854, by Rev. Mr. Williams. No issue.

Grandchn.:—

ANNIE REBEKAH SWEET, b. Hop., Aug. 26, 1857.

GERTRUDE MARION SWEET, b. Hop., Dec., 1863; d. June 2, 1873.

FISK, HAMBLET BARBER, son of James J. and Rebekah (Prouty) Fisk, b. Bell., March 27, 1838; merchant grocer at So. Mil.; m. *Eliza Hawes*, dr. of Samuel and Eliza Hawes, b. Pawtucket, R.I., Nov. 29, 1836; cer. So. Mil., Oct. 21, 1874, by Rev. George N. Townsend. No chn. reported. Estimable people.

A considerable number of Fisk families, formerly, or at present, dwelling in town, or close on its borders, ought to appear herein; but for want of reports from them, time, and space, I must omit further reference to them. Down to this moment I have appended names of persons given in our directories, but the printers are too near my heels to continue this longer.

FLAGG, ZEBEDIAH, son of Jonathan, b. in Hop., or Southborough, Nov. 29, 1785; m. *Anna Sumner*, dr. of Darius and Anna (Daniels) Sumner, b. in Mil., Nov. 14, 1786; cer. Oct. 30, 1808, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

DARIUS SUMNER, b. Jan. 26, 1809; m., 1st, Abigail C. Sadler, June 2, 1831; 2d, Mary Haven, June 2, 1839.

MARY ANN DANIELS, b. June 27, 1811; m., 1st, Luther Holbrook, Jan. 20, 1828; 2d, Harvey Bradford.

DIADAMA, b. Oct. 2, 1818; m. Partridge Holbrook, June 20, 1838.

DIANA SUMNER, b. Sept. 2, 1823; d. Oct., 1825.

Mrs. Anna d. Feb. 27, 1827. The hus. m., 2d, *Susanna Loring* of Hop., dr. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Loring, b. Dec. 29, 1797; cer. in Hop., Nov. 26, 1827, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Issue:—

ALBERT FREEMAN, b. Sept. 12, 1836; m. Carrie I. Green, May 1, 1856.

Zebediah Flagg came into town not far from the date of his mge., 1808. He was previously said to be of Hop. He purchased later what had been known as the Isaac Littlefield farm on E. Main St., now or latterly owned by John Leonard; which, with much hard toil, he greatly improved, in respect to both buildings and land. He and his wives were hard workers, frugal livers, and of good moral repute. He was one of the twelve enterprising proprietors who, in 1819, assumed the responsibility of erecting the Universalist brick ch. He d. in Oct., 1848, a. 62 yrs. Mrs. Susanna, his wid., still survives, dwelling with the wid. and chn. of her son, Albert F. Flagg.

FLAGG, DARIUS SUMNER[3] (Zebediah,[2] Jonathan[1]), b. in Mil., Jan. 26, 1809; m., 1st, *Abigail C. Sadler*, birth-date and ptge. not found; cer. in Mendon, June 2, 1831, by the writer. Issue:—

MARTHA ANN, b. July 7, 1832; d. July 7, 1836.

Mrs. Abigail d. Oct. 27, 1838, a. 39 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Haven*, birth-date and ptge. not found; cer. June 2, 1839, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

MARTHA ANN, birth-date not found; d. Aug. 24, 1840.

Mr. Flagg was at one time a member of the Cong. Ch., and both his wives sustained the same religious relationship. But for some reason he fell under ch. censure, and lost his standing. He d. July 18, 1876, leaving his pecuniary affairs so involved in difficulties as to occasion much trouble in their settlement. Mrs. Mary, his wid., still survives.

FLAGG, ALBERT FREEMAN[3] (Zebediah,[2] Jonathan[1]), b. in Mil., Sept. 12, 1836; m. *Carrie I. Green*, dr. of Henry and Rosanna Green, b. in Lowell during 1835; cer. at Hopedale, May 1, 1856, by the writer. Issue:—

MARIETTA, b. Mil., June 13, 1857.

GEORGE HENRY, b. Mil., March 23, 1859; d. April 24, 1861.

FRANK LORING, b. Mil., July 31, 1865.

Mr. Flagg was suddenly and lamentably cut off in comparatively early manhood. He was usefully employed on the Boston and Albany R. Road, and, by a strange mishap, was instantly killed by the concussion of two cars, which, if I rightly remember, he was endeavoring to couple. Life was crushed out of his mortal form; and he expired at once, Sept. 6, 1872, a. almost 36 yrs. It was a terrible blow to his family, which consisted of his wf., mr., and the above-named two chn. But they have all providentially survived their sad bereavement, and dwell together in helpful unity.

FLAGG, SULLIVAN FRANCIS[3] (William,[2] Jonathan[1]), b. in Southborough, May 30, 1828; mr.'s maiden name, Lydia Onthank; m. *Mary Ann Whitney*, dr. of Samuel and Fanny (Hudson) Whitney, b. in Shrewsbury, June 23, 1825; cer. in Westborough, May 30, 1849, by Rev. Mr. Brown, a Baptist clergyman. Their chn.:—

WILBER FRANCIS, b. Southborough, July 6, 1850; d. Aug. 27, 1861.

WALDO HARRISON, b. Southborough, April 12, 1855; m. Lizzie Chase, Jan. 5, 1878.

EMMA ANN, b. Southborough, Feb. 22, 1857; d. Aug. 4, 1861.

HERBERT OSCAR, b. Southborough, May 7, 1859; d. Aug. 15, 1861.

CAROLINE LOUISA, b. Southborough, April 1, 1863; d. Feb. 28, 1878.

ABBIE LOWMIRA, b. Southborough, May 3, 1866; res. with parents; high-school student.

A much bereaved family, 3 of the chn. having d. in the month of Aug., 1861. Mr. F. moved into Mil. about 8 yrs. ago. Up to that time he was chiefly employed as a farmer, since then as an agent for the sale of pictures and picture-frames. He and his family are reputably reported for good character, and exemplary usefulness in their vocations.

FLETCHER, NATHAN, some time of Charlton, and later of Mil.; pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Catherine Morse*, and they had,—

SILEY, birth-date not given; m. Jacob Willis, and had 8 chn.

PERLEY, birth-date not given; d.

JAMES MORSE, birth-date not given; d.

RHODA, birth-date not given; m. Arba Taft, son of Nathan, etc. See Tafts.

MARTIN, Dea., b. Oct. 16, 1811; m. Mary Ball, April 12, 1834.

JAMES MORSE, 2d, ——; m. Esther B. Hancock, March 10, 1836.

HOSEA, b. 1816; removed to N. Y., and has not been heard from.

JOHN, ——; m. Delia Lemmon; set. Brookfield.

POLLY, or MARY, ——; m. Abel Littlefield, Aug. 23, 1841.

CATHERINE, ——; m. Warren Cheney.

Mrs. Catherine d. here, Jan. 21, 1840, a. 54 yrs. Mr. Nathan d. Feb. 27, 1843, a. 65 yrs.

FLETCHER, Dea. MARTIN, son of Nathan and Catherine (Morse) Fletcher, b. Oct. 16, 1811; m. *Mary Bucklin Ball*, dr. of Henry and Betsey (Claflin) Ball, b. Feb. 29, 1818; cer. April 12, 1834, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

EMMONS, Maj. FRANKLIN, b. Mil., Jan. 30, 1835. See "War-Record," p. 145; d. Ark., Aug. 11, 1866.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Sept. 30, 1838; m. Charles Sawyer, May 17, 1858.

EMMA CLAFLIN, b. Mil., Dec. 18, 1845; m. George Parkhurst, Jan. 10, 1869.

Martin Fletcher was chosen dea. of Mil. Cong. Ch. in 1845. Mrs. Mary d. Sept. 23, 1849, a. 33 yrs. Dea. F. d. Dec. 11, 1856, a. 45 yrs. The Grand Army Post of Mil. commemorates Maj. Emmons F. Fletcher by adopting his name.

FLETCHER, JAMES MORSE, son of Nathan and Catherine (Morse) Fletcher, birth-date not found; m., 1st, *Esther Bruce Hancock*, dr. of Samuel and Submit (Bruce) Hancock, b. Mil., 1811; cer. in Mendon, March 10, 1836, by the writer. Issue:—

EDWARD, b. Sept. 18, 1837; d. the next day.

JAMES MORSE, Jun., b. Dec. 22, 1845; m. Rachel S. Steele, June 5, 1867.

Mrs. Esther d. ——; the hus. m., 2d, *Helen Maria (Davenport) Spear*, dr. of Isaac and Sarah (Hayward) Davenport, and wid. of Benjamin Spear, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1828; cer. by ——. No chn.

James M. Fletcher d. a member of our Cong. ch., Jan. 25, 1874. Mrs. Helen, his wid., survives in comfortable health and capability. Her res. is on Walnut St.

FLETCHER, JAMES MORSE, Jun., son of James M. and Esther B. (Hancock) Fletcher, b. Dec. 22, 1845; bootmaker; m. *Rachel S. Steele*, dr. of David and Rachel S. Nichols, birth-date not given; cer. June 5, 1867, by Rev. G. G. Jones. Issue:—

SAMUEL E., b. Mil., June 10, 1867.

FREDDY, b. Mil., June 26, 1869; d. Feb. 16, 1870.

ALTON M., b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1870.

EDITH, b. Mil., Sept., 1874.

ELMER W. } (twins), b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1878; d. Feb. 9, 1878.
EVERETT }

Res. Congress St., beyond Fountain.

FLETCHER, GILES E., son of Giles E. and Mary (Ellis) Fletcher, b. Belvidere, Vt., March 5, 1839; farmer; m. *Laurinda Cheney*, dr. of Rufus and Ruth (Staples) Cheney, b. Mil., 1842; cer. Hopedale, March 13, 1865, by the writer. See Mr. F. in "War-Record," p. 145. Issue:—

STELLA M., b. Mil., June 19, 1865; d. July 8, 1867.

The hus and fr. d. Nov. 9, 1867, a. 28. Mrs. Laurinda subsequently m. Clark Littlefield Pond, son of Philip and Achsa (Littlefield) Pond of Holl.; cer. Hopedale, March 13, 1875, by the writer. Chn. not reported.

Other Fletchers in our directories, whose names I omit to mention for want of space and time.

FOSTER, EDWARD BROWN, son of Hinsdale and Hannah Thwing (Brown) Foster, b. in Southbridge, Jan. 16, 1821; m. *Helen Roxana Blake*, dr. of Thomas D. and Abigail (Marshall) Blake, b. in Northumberland, N.H., Sept. 2, 1824; cer. Uxbridge, Aug. 30, 1849, by Rev. Mr. Clark of Whitinsville. Issue:—

FLORENCE EVELYN, b. Uxbridge, July 27, 1850; m. Albert C. Rounds, Mil., July 7, 1872.

Good moral and social standing. Mr. F. is an enterprising carpenter and builder, and has res. in town 29 yrs. His house is 213 Main St.

FOSTER, ROLON E., fine shoes, 66 Central St., and 44 Hanover St, Boston, house 38 Pearl St., has not responded to my call for his family record.

Our Directory for 1880 gives the following-named additional Fosters:—

FOSTER, ANSEL G., salesman, 66 Central, house 38 Pearl.

FOSTER, LEON, laborer, M. & W. R.R., house Depot, near railroad crossing.

FOSTER, PETER, boot-treer, house 34 North Bow.

FOSTER, MARY T., Mrs., saloon, Spruce, near School.

FOSTER, WILLIAM, boot-treer, house West, near High.

Nothing recd. from any of these five.

FRENCH. We had two worthies of this name in early precinct times; viz., Habijah, properly Abijah, and John, who immigrated hither from Braintree. They were cousins, the grandsons of the first John French. He was, I suppose, from Eng., set. in Dorchester, and moved to Braintree. He was made freeman in 1639. Abijah set. here about 1734. He purchased of Elder John Jones a tract of 70 acs., which constituted, from his time for many yrs., what, when I came into town, and later, was known as the Elihu Perry place, on now Prospect St. His cousin John dwelt mostly in the immediate vicinity of Mendon town-seat. It is possible he had a home at one time east of Neck Hill; but, if so, I know not where. Anyhow, both were among the 26 original male members of the new seceding ch. here, when formed in 1741. Habijah, as they then called him, was chosen one of its deacons in 1749, and served till excused on account of age and infirmities. I think his cousin John must have removed from this part of the country within a few yrs. after the Easterly Precinct was established. At least, I soon lost track of him on the public records. Dea. Abijah sold out his homestead, in 1767, to John Hill; and I cannot give a clear account of his closing days. Whether he went off to live with some of his chn. out of this neighborhood, or continued here till death, I am not informed. He d. Jan. 18, 1786. His wf.'s decease not found.

His son Samuel we know to have dwelt here for many years later. But somehow it so happened that the name became nearly or quite extinct in town before 1800. I shall content myself with tabulating the families of Dea. Abijah, Samuel, and such of their descendants as our records show to have dwelt on our territory, giving any incidental facts which have come to my knowledge.

FRENCH, Dea. ABIJAH[3] (Thomas,[2] John[1]), b. in Braintree, May 25, 1709; m. *Joanna*, perhaps about 1734. Chn.:—

MARY, b. here July 22, 1736; m. Aaron Perry, Princeton, 1761.

JESSE, b. here Dec. 15, 1737; d. Sept. 20, 1741.

ABIJAH, b. here Feb. 14, 1741; d. in infancy.

SAMUEL, b. here April 10, 1744; m. Ruth Daniels, Holl, Oct. 21, 1767.

ABIJAH, b. here March 20, 1746; not traced.

SARAH, b. here Oct. 13, 1748; m. Ephraim Sanford, Northampton, June 7, 1773.

LOIS } (twins), b. here June 2, 1750; m. Joshua Hill, Ervingshire, Jan. 7, 1776.

EUNICE } (twins), b. here June 2, 1750; m. John Gleason, Princeton, Feb. 2, 1769.

JOANNA, b. here Aug. 28, 1752; m. Elijah Ball, Dec. 19, 1770.

DAVID, b. here Dec. 7, 1755 N. S.; m., 1st, Lydia Twitchell, May 21, 1778, etc.

FRENCH, SAMUEL[4] (Dea. Abijah,[3] Thomas,[2] John[1]), b. April 10, 1744; m. *Ruth Daniels*, of Holl., ptge, etc., not found; cer. Oct. 21, 1761, by Rev. A. Frost. Chn.:—

JOTHAM, b. May 21, 1768; untraced.

RUTH, b. Dec. 31, 1769; untraced.

ELIZABETH } (twins), b. Aug. 20, 1771; m. Abner Pond, Mil., Aug. 12, 1790.
MARY }

(twins), b. Aug. 20, 1771; m. Salem Sumner, and emigrated to Caledonia, N.Y.

ABIJAH, b. Aug. 11, 1773; untraced.

PEARLEY, b. June 14, 1775; d. Dec. 8, 1779.

ADAMS, b. July 1, 1777; untraced.

SARAH, b. July 4, 1779; d. Dec. 17, 1779.

PEARLEY, b. Nov. 6, 1780; untraced.

NAAMAH, b. Sept. 10, 1782; untraced.

JOANNA, b. April 6, 1786; untraced.

DELPHIA, b. March 18, 1789; m. Samuel Merriam, Lincoln, Feb. 8, 1810.

I have not learned where Samuel French had his homestead, but think I have heard it was on Congress St. He d. Sept. 1, 1790. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., m. Aaron Pond, Holl.; cer. April 17, 1791, by Rev. A. Frost.

FRENCH, DAVID[4] (Dea. Abijah,[3] Thomas,[2] John[1]), b. Dec. 7, 1755, N. S.; m. *Lydia Twitchell*, dr. of Ephraim and Patience (Eames) Twitchell, b. in our precinct Sept. 12, 1760; cer. May 21, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost. They dwelt here for some yrs., and then emigrated to Westmoreland, N.H. Their chn., as I understand, were, —

SALLY, b. here Dec. 21, 1779; d. June 30, 1807.

ZEBA, b. here June 28, 1781; d. Oct. 16, 1853.

ASAPH, b. here June 25, 1784; d. Aug. 19, 1860.

LOTTY, b. here Aug. 12, 1786; d. July 5, 1861.

ABIJAH, b. perhaps in N. H., June 2, 1789; m. Azubah Albee, Dec. 15, 1814; d. 1862.

MAYNARD, b. perhaps in N. H., Oct. 29, 1791; untraced.

DAVID, b. perhaps in N. H., Feb. 16, 1794; untraced.

SPENCER, b. perhaps in N. H., July 6, 1796; untraced.

Mrs. Lydia d. April 4, 1798. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah* ——, in Westmoreland, N.H., Sept. 10, 1799. Their chn. were, —

LYDIA, b. April 27, 1800; d. Jan. 28, 1824.

LOIS, b. Nov. 28, 1801; untraced.

RITTA, b. April 26, 1804; d. Dec. 4, 1863.

SAMUEL, b. Feb. 13, 1806; d. Dec. 24, 1824.

SALLY, b. Feb. 24, 1809; untraced.

DINAH, b. May 6, 1811; d. Dec. 21, 1850.

HARRIET, b. Sept. 7, 1814; untraced.

MARTHA, b. Jan. 22, 1823; d. May 16, 1862.

The hus. and fr. d. Feb. 19, 1836. Mrs. Hannah d. Jan. 27, 1857. I presume both d. in Westmoreland, N.H.

ABIJAH FRENCH, son of David and Lydia, m. in Westmoreland, N.H., *Azubah Albee*, gd. d. of John Albee, one of our ancient citizens. She was a dr. of Ichabod and Lona (Hayward) Albee, who emigrated hence, b. Feb. 4, 1795; cer. Dec. 15, 1814. All their chn. d. but two. One of these, JOTHAM ABIJAH, m., in this town, *Mary A. Ellis*, dr. of Washington and Amanda

(Howard) Ellis, b. June 22, 1846; cer. Sept. 20, 1866. They have a dr. GERTIE MARIA, b. Aug. 5, 1868. How many more chn. since not reported.

Our Directory of 1872 gives the name of HENRY FRENCH, boot-blocker, and musician. He soon left town, and remains untraced.

The two bros., whose family records follow, could not give me their ancestry; and I have not attempted to trace it. There may have been other Frenches transiently res. among us, but I have no knowledge of such.

FRENCH, JOHN M., son of Dearborn and Margaret (Haynes) French, b. in Gilmanton, N.H., Sept. 9, 1850; m. *Nancie B. Thurston*, dr. of Enoch and Caroline (Blanchard) Thurston, b. Boscawen, N.H., June 12, 1851; cer. at Fisherville, N.H., June 18, 1870, by Rev. George G. Harriman. Chn.:—

WILLIE H., b. Boscawen, N.H., Aug. 19, 1871.

ALBION H., b. Worcester, Mass., April 2, 1875.

Four yrs. res. in Hopedale. The hus., a spinning-ring maker. Quiet, industrious, orderly people.

FRENCH, FRANK H., bro. of the preceding, b. in the same place, Dec. 8, 1853; m. *Clara S. Osgood*, dr. of Thomas E. and Sylvia (Lovejoy) Osgood, b. Hebron, N.H., Oct. 25, 1852; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., July 2, 1876, by Rev. Charles J. White. Issue:—

CARL HERBERT, b. Hopedale, Nov. 6, 1878.

PAUL THOMAS, b. Hopedale, May 10, 1880.

Four yrs. res. in Hopedale. The hus., a machinist. The family of the same worthy character with that of the elder bro.

FREEMAN, HOYT, pedigree, etc., not ascertained; res. in town a few yrs., doing a creditable business, and m. *Amanda Maria Long*, dr. of Rev. David and Rebecca (Curtis) Long, b. Aug. 13, 1808; cer. under the parental roof, April 13, 1835, by her rev. fr. I do not recollect seeing or hearing of any issue. Mrs. Amanda inherited a somewhat feeble constitution, and sank into consumption in early connubial life. She went with her hus. to res. in Hartford, Ct. There, as she was on her dying-bed, her fr. went to visit her, and impart his benedictory consolations, but was taken fatally sick, and d. in her house, March 13, 1850. She d. within a month afterwards, April, 1850.

FRINK, ALFRED BINGHAM, son of Nathaniel L. and Rebecca (Simonds) Frink, b. Windham, Ct., June 3, 1796; sculptor and engraver in stone; m. *Mary Page*, dr. of William and Lucy Page, b. in Upton, May 17, 1799; cer. in Windham, Ct., April 8, 1822, by John Baldwin, Esq. Their chn.:—

ALFRED LATHROP, b. Woodstock, Ct., April 23, 1823; m. Louisa A. Bancroft, Oct. 18, 1848. He d. May 2, 1875.

GEORGE W., b. Bellingham, Mass., July 24, 1825; d. unm., Mil., July 2, 1878.

MARY E., b. Franklin, Mass., Jan. 26, 1831; m. Dr. Nelson Harris, Oct. 6, 1851.

WILLIAM PAGE, b. Providence, R.I., July 5, 1833; m. Mary J. Bancroft, May 29, 1859.

ELIZA E., b. Providence, R.I., Dec. 9, 1834; m. Henry Nelson Madden, Nov. 9, 1853.

Upright, industrious, hard strugglers for a livelihood, kind-hearted, exemplary people. They have res. at different periods in Woodstock, Ct., Providence, R.I., etc., but for many yrs. past in Mil., City District. Their son

George W., on whom they leaned in their old age, d. suddenly July 2, 1878. Mrs. Mary, the wf. and mr., d. April 18, 1880, in the kind care of her dr., Mrs. H. N. Madden and her hus. The aged hus. and fr. still survives in the same filial care.

FRINK, ALFRED LATHROP, son of Alfred B. and Mary (Page) Frink, b. in Woodstock, Ct., April 23, 1823; machinist; m. *Louisa Angeline Bancroft*, dr. of Samuel and Mary (Bubier) Bancroft, b. in Marblehead, July 4, 1820; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 18, 1848, by the writer. Issue:—

LOUISA ANGELINE, b. Medway, Oct. 29, 1849; m. Amos Levi Madden, Sept. 6, 1868.

HANNAH ELIZA, b. Mil., Dec. 13, 1851; m. Frank S. Hayward, Nov. 15, 1874.

GEORGE ERFORD, b. Mil., Aug. 20, 1854; res. with his widowed mr., Hopedale; machinist.

MARTHA WASHINGTON, b. Mil., Feb. 22, 1857; res. with her widowed mr., Hopedale.

IDA MAY, b. Mil., Feb. 11, 1861; d. Nov. 17, 1862.

Grandchn.:—

See, under name Madden, AMOS LEVI.

See, under name Hayward, FRANK SAMUEL.

A worthy family throughout. Res. Medway, Mil., Holl., Hopedale, and Bell. The hus. and fr. d. in No. Bellingham, May 2, 1875. His wid., with her unm. son and dr., now res. at Hopedale.

FRINK, WILLIAM PAGE, son of Alfred B. and Mary (Page) Frink, b. Providence, R.I., July 5, 1833; farmer; m. *Mary Josephine Bancroft*, dr. of Samuel and Abigail (Fairbanks) Bancroft, b. Medway, 1836; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., May 29, 1855, by Rev. Joseph B. Breed. Issue:—

EMMONS ADOLPHUS, b. Feb. 4, 1859; d. March 31, 1859.

SAMUEL HANDEL, b. May 26, 1860.

ALFRED BANKS, b. Feb. 18, 1865.

LOUISA JOSEPHINE, b. Oct. 18, 1867; d. May 13, 1874.

HERBERT COHEN, b. July 30, 1873.

JOSEPH BANCROFT, b. Nov. 18, 1875.

A family believed to sustain the good reputation of their lineage. Their res. has been Mil. and W. Medway.

FRINK, SAMUEL, Jun., son of Dr. Samuel Frink, b. Rutland, 1819; bootmaker; m. *Nancy Parkhurst Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Henry and Catherine (Parkhurst) Nelson, b. Mil., Feb. 15, 1818; cer. 1840; no further particulars given. Issue:—

MEDORA ISABELLA, b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1840; m. Stedman Howe, Jan. 15, 1880.

Mr. Frink d. in Mil., 1852. His worthy wf. still survives in continued widowhood.

FROST. This name first appears on our records in 1743, when the recently organized Cong. Precinct and Ch. were anxiously seeking a pastor. After their first choice, Mr. John Bass, had disappointed them, Mr. Amariah Frost became a candidate, and gave such satisfaction as soon to receive a call. He was ordained, as elsewhere related, Dec. 24, 1743. He appears to have been a man of respectable natural abilities, well-balanced mind, sound moral integrity, fair literary acquirements, and reputable standing among his clerical brethren. He is believed to have descended from Rev. John Frost, an English nonconformist, whose son Edmond, with his wf. Thomasine, came from Ipswich, Eng., to N. Eng., in the ship "Great Hope," about 1635. Their chn. were John, Thomas,

Samuel, Joseph, James, Mary, Ephraim, and Sarah. Edmond set. in Cambridge, was made freeman in 1636, ruling eld. in the ch., and d. July 12, 1672. Thomas, his 2d son, set. in Sudbury, m. Mary Goodridge, and had Thomas, John, Samuel, and Mary. He had three wives in succession, and d. in Framingham. His will, which was proved in 1724, mentions a dr. Sarah, wf. of John Rice. Samuel, 3d, son of Thomas, sen., res. in Framingham; m. Elizabeth Rice, Feb. 1, 1710–11, and was the fr. of Amariah. So I will begin my tabulation with his family: —

FROST, SAMUEL[4] (Thomas,[3] Eld. Edmond,[2] Rev. John[1]); wf. Elizabeth (Rice). Chn.: —

KEZIAH, b. Dec. 1, 1711; m. Ebenezer Goodman of Sudbury.

BEZALEEL, b. Sept. 8, 1713.

SAMUEL, b. Dec. 13, 1715.

AMASA, b. Jan. 24, 1717–18; res. for some yrs. E. P. Mendon.

AMARIAH, b. Oct. 4, 1720; grad. H. U., 1740, and became pastor here 1743.

ELIZABETH, b. May 10, 1724; m. Isaac Cutler of Brookfield.

LOIS, b. Oct. 3, 1732; m. Phinehas Goodnow of Sudbury.

Samuel, the fr., d. Aug. 2, 1736.

FROST, Rev. AMARIAH[5] (Samuel,[4] Thomas,[3] Eld. Edmond,[2] Rev. John[1]), b. in Framingham, Oct. 4, 1720; grad. H. U., 1740; ordained E. P. Mendon, Dec. 24, 1743; m., 1st, *Esther*, dr. of Rev. Henry Messinger, Wrentham, April 27, 1747. For the rest, I will follow his own rather unique record nearly *verbatim*: —

"ESTHER, b. Oct. 4, 1 o'clock A.M., 1748; d. April 25, 1749.

"AMARIAH, b. Monday, about noon, Feb. 5, O. S., 1749-50.

"SARAH, b. Friday, about 7 A.M., May 24, O. S., 1751.

"OLIVE, b. Monday, Feb. 19, N. Style, 1753, about ½ past 1 P.M.

"ELIZABETH, b. Friday, about midnight, Sept. 6, 1754, N. S.

"My wf. Esther d. Jan. 5, about 8 at night, 1778. Born Jan. 15, 1723–24.

"May 23, 1779, m., 2d, *Susanna Dorr* of Mendon, a dr. of Rev. Joseph, of whom were born, —

"MARY, b. April 14, about 1 o'clock A.M., and d. April 25, 1780.

"ELIAS, b. Jan. 10, 1782, about 9 o'clock A.M.

"My wf. Susannah d. this day, Jan. 21, about 8 o'clock A.M., 1783, in the 43d yr. of her age.

"Oct. 14, 1784, m. *Wid. Sarah Adams* from Grafton, but now of Mil. (my birthday, being now 64 yrs. old);" cer. by Rev. Elisha Fish of Upton.

This third wf.'s maiden name was *Sarah Thwing*, dr. of John and Mercy (Jones) Thwing, b. Feb. 28, 1722. She was m., 1st, to Samuel Torrey; cer. May 20, 1747, by Rev. A. Frost. Torrey d., and she m., 2d, Andrew Adams of Grafton, May 30, 1771. Adams d., and she m., 3d, Rev. Mr. Frost, her old pastor, as above. What became of her after Mr. Frost's death, the ch. records are entirely and strangely silent.

Rev. Mr. Frost d. March 14, 1792, in the 72d yr. of his age, and 49th of his ministry. In addition to what I have already said of him, I will give what is said by Rev. Mortimer Blake, author of "A Centurial History of the Mendon Association, etc.:" "Mr. Frost was reputed an excellent man, and one of the most popular preachers of his age. It is a sufficient indication of his reputation and of his attainments, to state, that he was extensively resorted to as an instructor of young men fitting for college and for the ministry. A list of his pupils is not preserved. But among them were his son Amariah, Thomas

Haven, son of Rev. Elias Haven of Franklin, who set. in Reading 2d ch., and Hezekiah Taylor, afterwards of New Fane, Vt., and also Alexander Scammell, one of the aids of Gen. Washington in the Revolution. None of his works were published, save the charge at the ordination of Mr. T. Dickinson, Hollis-ton, — the last charge he ever gave."

Since writing the foregoing, Mr. Henry E. Rockwood, our Milford antiquarian, has kindly loaned me, for my perusal, two ancient-looking sermons by Mr. Frost, which he has garnered into his collection. Their title-page reads, "The Substance of Two SERMONS, One on the Total Depravity of human Nature, while unrenewed; from *Gen.* 6. 5. The other from *Gal.* 6. 15. Being a Description of the *New Creature;* Delivered at *Westborough*, Dec. 8, 1765. By *Amariah Frost*, A.M. Pastor of the Second Church of Christ in Mendon, &c."

They exhibit the soundest type of Hopkinsian orthodoxy.

His oldest son, Amariah, grad. H. U., 1770; preached a short time in Ward; m. his cousin, Esther Messinger of Wrentham; ceased to preach; set. down in secular business in his native vicinage; was commissioned justice peace in 1785; and was a conspicuous man here for many yrs. He had some very good capabilities and qualities as a man, ch. member, and citizen, but was not the success his friends hoped. He d. in Sandford, Me. More in its place. Sarah m. Rev. Hezekiah Taylor, above named, March 30, 1774; cer. by her fr. Olive m. Dr. Samuel Willard of Uxbridge; cer. Nov. 3, 1774, by her fr. Elizabeth m. Dr. Isaac Brigham of Grafton, afterwards Mil.; cer. April 6, 1786, by her fr. Elias; fitted for college at Leicester, and, with Dr. Crane of Northbridge, grad. B. U., 1804; made A.M. and M.D., 1824; and practised medicine many yrs. in Plainfield, N.H. His mge., family, etc., not traced.

FROST, AMARIAH, Jun., Esq.[6] (Rev. Amariah,[5] Samuel [4] Thomas,[3] Eld. Edmond,[2] Rev. John[1]), b. in our Precinct, Feb. 5, 1749–50, O. S.; graduated H. U., 1770; m. his cousin, *Esther Messinger*, dr. of John and Melatiah (Corbett) Messinger, b. Wrentham, March 25, 1759; cer. Oct. 22, 1778, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

OLIVE, bap. Sept. 19, 1779; no further traced.

CLARINDA, bap. April 20, 1783; d. Sept. 23, 1784.

CHARLOTTE, bap. Oct. 16, 1785; d. Aug. 22, 1797.

JOHN, b. Feb. 27, 1787; no further traced.

I have found no one who seemed to be very well informed concerning the later history of this family, and our records are very meagre. As has been already stated, Mr. Frost, after quitting his brief career in the pulpit, went into secular business here, in which, however, he was unsuccessful on the whole. Meantime he was commissioned by Gov. Hancock as Just. Peace in 1785, and again in 1791. He is said to have tried numerous cases as a civil magistrate, and also to have served as one of the Worcester Co. Court of General Sessions. He taught school at times, and betook himself to such employments as necessity or convenience afforded. In 1797 he made a journey to the new city of Washington, hoping to find a remunerative opening in some governmental office. He extended his travels to Northern Virginia, and took the principal intervening cities in his route. Of this journey and its incidents he kept a diary, the whole or a part of which Hamilton B. Staples, Esq., of Worcester, read last year as a curiosity before the American Antiquarian Society in Boston. This paper has since been published in a neat pamphlet, headed, "A Day at Mount Vernon in 1797, &c." It does not appear that the tourist found the opening he sought. He returned to Milford, and was hereabouts for several

yrs. in rather poor circumstances. He was exempted from taxation after 1805, and must, I think, have left town before 1812. He is said to have d. in Sandford, Me., in 1819. When his wf. d., I have inquired thus far in vain; also what became of his dr. Olive and son John, or why he made his final home in Sandford, Me. Somebody knows, but no one with whom I have fallen in. The homestead of his father, Rev. Amariah, was situated in the corner formed by West and Congress Sts. It embraced a decent acreage; and the old domicile was, when I came into town, occupied by his son-in-law, Dr. Isaac Brigham. Isaac, jun., next possessed it; and afterward Major Clark Sumner purchased the site, and built thereon the mansion in which he died. Who now survive of Rev. Amariah Frost's descendants, I am unable to tell.

FROST, AMASA[5] (Samuel,[4] Thomas,[3] Eld. Edmond,[2] Rev. John[1]), a bro. of Rev. Amariah; b. Framingham, Jan. 24, 1717–18; m. *Abigail Livermore* of Fram., dr. of John and Abigail (Stone) Livermore, b. 1731; cer. Feb. 1, 1749–50, by Rev. Amariah Frost. They were received from the Fram. ch. into the ch. here, May 26, 1751. They had 2 chn. here, —

NATHAN, bap. May 26, 1751.

JOHN, bap. Feb. 4, 1753.

I find no intimation of more chn. b. here. In 1765 the parents were dismissed from the ch. here in good standing to the ch. in Hatfield. I have not learned in what part of the Precinct they resided, and have traced the family no further.

FROST, PETER, and wf. *Sarah*, came into town about the time of its incorporation, bringing with them a son Benjamin, and having born to them here a son named Peter Edes, Jan. 11, 1783. They gained no inhabitancy, and soon departed. What was their pedigree, whence they came, or whither they went, I have left untraced.

FROST, ELISHA JONES, son of David and Sophia Parkman (Jones) Frost; remoter ancestry not traced; b. Fram., Feb. 25, 1828; house-painter; m. *Elizabeth R. Burrell*, dr. of James and Prudence S. (Chessman) Burrell, b. Boston, Nov. 9, 1833; cer. in Mil., Nov. 30, 1851, by Rev. Mr. Eaton. Issue: —

LEMUEL, b. Westboro', 1852; d. same yr.

GEORGE ALFRED, b. Natick, 1856.

They have resided mostly in Mil.; an orderly, well-disposed family. Included in the report of their record are the following interesting particulars respecting Mr. E. J. Frost's father: Mr. David Frost was b. in Natick, but removed to Fram. when 8 yrs. old, and res. there 78 yrs. He was one of 9 chn., all of whom lived to old age; 1 of them still remaining. During the war of 1812 he went with the Fram. Artillery under Capt. Temple, and served his country for some time on Dorchester Heights. Later he was hired by Dea. Enoch Belknap to drive an ox-team to Philadelphia, carrying a load of broadcloth, and returning with one of powder for the Charlestown Navy Yard. He d. in Fram., Dec. 22, 1877, a. 86 yrs. and 10 mos.

GAGE. We had Gage families on our territory for about a century, reckoning from 1718 onward. They prob. came from Eng. to Rowley, and thence hither. At the end of that period they disappeared, and scarcely one of the name has even sojourned here since. The first Gage I read of in the records was Thomas, to whom Capt. Seth Chapin deeded a farm of 80 acres with buildings, on Sherborn road, near the "Great Meadow," in Bear-hill district. That deed was dated May 25, 1723. In 1742 Gage sold the bulk of said farm to

Joshua Green of Hopkinton. I think it must have been situated toward the northerly terminus of now Beaver St. I cannot learn much of that Thomas. He owned several tracts of land, first and last, within our limits, which he seems to have sold one after another to later comers, as opportunity offered. When Sherborn road was laid, or relaid, extending eastward from Post Lane, in 1739, he is mentioned as owning an "enclosure" on the side-hill near where Charles Young lately dwelt. In 1742–43, when our now Cedar St. was laid out, he gave the land, a distance of 80 rods, south-easterly of Cedar Swamp. Probably at that time he may have owned the farm bought by John Perry, afterwards called the Caleb Albee place. This can only be settled by research in Worcester Registry of Deeds. I suspect, but do not know, that this Thomas was the father of Hannah Gage, who made Mr. Frost's ch. no little trouble by her sexual laxity in connection with her piety. She had two illegitimates, Peter and Sybil; meantime clinging to the ch., and having them baptized. She was, of course, properly censured and disciplined. I think Thomas may also have been the father of John Gage, whose family record I am about to give, but I cannot be certain of it. When or where this first Thomas d., I have not ascertained.

GAGE, JOHN,[2] supposed son of Thomas;[1] birth-date not found; m. *Lydia Thayer*, dr. of Benjamin and Sarah Thayer; cer. Jan. 4, 1729. Their chn.:—

RACHEL, b. Sept. 7, 1732; untraced.
SARAH, b. Feb. 17, 1734; untraced.
JOHN, b. May 21, 1737; untraced.
THOMAS, b. May 11, 1740; untraced.
LYDIA, b. June 21, 1743; untraced.
JEMIMA, b. May 5, 1746; untraced.
SAMUEL, b. Dec. 8, 1749; untraced.
BENJAMIN, b. June 17, 1751; untraced.

From the description of land laid out to him, this John Gage must have dwelt for a time in the near vicinity of Pine-grove Cemetery; but what became of him and his family, I have found no information. Prob. they emigrated to some remote locality.

GAGE, MOSES,[1] prob. brother of Thomas,[1] b. 1705; m. *Sarah Nelson*, dr. of Gershom[3] and Abigail (Ellithorpe) Nelson, b. Rowley, Feb. 27, 1707; cer. Jan. 13, 1731. Their chn.:—

MOSES, b. 1732; m. Mary Boynton, Feb. 17, 1758.
DANIEL, b. June 1, 1734; m. Priscilla Jones, Jan. 1, 1756.
MOLLY, b. 1737; m. Phinehas Davis, Aug. 23, 1764.

Whether they had other children is uncertain. If so, there is no record of them. The confident tradition of his descendants is, that Moses[1] came from Eng. to Rowley, and there m. his wf. As his wf. was a dr. of our first Gershom Nelson, who came from Rowley hither, it is likely that the son-in-law and dr. set. on our territory about the time, or soon after, her father did. There are intimations on the records that they first dwelt in what we now call So. Hopedale, i.e. somewhere on or near the Gershom Nelson premises; but they afterwards set. on what in our times has been known as the Amasa Leland place. I learn from their head-stones in our old burying-ground, that he d. Oct. 2, 1774, in his 69th yr. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. 1791, in her 84th yr.

GAGE, MOSES, Jun.[2] (Moses, sen.[1]), b. 1732; m. *Mary Boynton* of New Salem, prob. a dr. of Ebenezer Boynton; cer. Feb. 17, 1758, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Their chn.:—

DAVID, b. Dec. 26, 1758; m. Rachel Newton of Paxton, 1783.
PATIENCE, b. Dec. 8, 1761; d. Jan. 1, 1776.
SARAH, b May 19, 1766; m. Reuben Walker, May 26, 1791.
STEPHEN, b. Aug. 8, 1768; d. April 11, 1770.
MARY, b. Feb. 10, 1771; m. Ebenezer Boynton of Holden, 1795.
ABIGAIL, b. Nov. 9, 1773; m. 1st, Joseph Hunting, jun., May 26, 1791, etc.
PATIENCE, b. Jan. 1, 1775; m. Elijah Bowker of Hop., 1799.
ANNA, b. March 29, 1779; m. Weston Colburn, July 19, 1804.

Moses, jun., inherited the homestead of his fr., afterwards known as the Amasa Leland place. His wf. became a member of our Cong. ch., March 30, 1760, and had all her chn. bap.; but her husband joined on his death-bed, June 11, 1802. He d. June 24 ensuing, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. Jan. 5, 1819, a. 80 yrs.

GAGE, DANIEL[2] (Moses, sen.[1]), b. June 1, 1734; m. *Priscilla Jones*, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Priscilla (Corbett) Jones, b. July 21, 1738; cer. Jan. 1, 1756, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

DANIEL, b. Dec. 15, 1756; untraced.
ASA, b. July 22, 1758; untraced.
MILLE, b. March 7, 1761; untraced.
LYDIA, b. Aug. 15, 1763; untraced.
NATHANIEL, b. Sept. 10, 1765; untraced.
ELIZABETH, b. May 4, 1768; untraced.
NATHAN } (twins), b. April 1, 1770; untraced.
NABBY } (twins), b. April 1, 1770; d. May 5 ensuing.
RICHARD, b. Dec. 23, 1772; untraced.
ABRAHAM, b. May 2, 1775; untraced.
MOSES, b. April 15, 1778; untraced.

The parents were both members of the Cong. Ch. here. They were received April 3, 1768. All their chn. were duly bap. I suppose they had their homestead in the No. Purchase, but I cannot specify the estate. The family emigrated, soon after the birth of their youngest child, to Hubbardston. At least, a certain document, executed April 8, 1784, shows the parents to be of Hubbardston at that time. No further traced.

GAGE, DAVID[3] (Moses, jun.,[2] Moses, sen.[1]), b. Dec. 26, 1758; m. *Rachel Newton* of Paxton; ptge. not ascertained, b. Aug. 2, 1765; cer. 1783; no particulars found. Their chn.:—

AZUBA, b. Dec. 22, 1784; m. Lemuel Green Morse, Dec. 4, 1808; 10 chn.
BETSEY, b. Aug. 1, 1786; milliner; went to Henrietta, N.Y., 1817, and m.; but no chn.
CHARLOTTE, b. March 14, 1789; m. Ansel Morse, Upton, Dec. 22, 1814, 2 chn.
MOSES, b. Aug. 1, 1793; went to Holland Purchase, N.Y., m., had 4 chn.; and d. 1849 or 1850. This Moses learned bootmaking of Capt. Rufus Chapin. In 1814 he sought his fortune in the Holland Purchase, so called. When his fr. arrived there, in 1817, in the town of Gates, they bought a farm together. His wid. d. there in 1851 or 1852, and since then his chn. have all gone to that rather indefinite region called "The West."

His fr., David Gage, lived on a part of the patrimonial farm, on now Highland St. In early manhood he went into the Revolutionary army, and was at West Point when Benedict Arnold, the traitor, engaged to give up the fort to the British. He was taken sick there; and his fr. went thither on horseback, and

managed to bring him safely home. After he had m., and raised up a family, he resolved on removing to the far-famed Holland Purchase, N.Y. In 1816 he sold his farm to Amasa Leland, then of Southborough; and the next yr., 1817, with wf. and goods, mounted on a large ox-wagon, drawn by one yoke of oxen and a horse, he proceeded toward the promised land. After five weeks' travel, they arrived safely in the town of Gates, N.Y., were greeted by Moses, aforesaid, their only son, purchased a good farm, and set. down happily in their new home. They all lived together until the death of the parents. The fr. d. Aug. 24, 1844. The mr. had already d. March 28, 1841. Moses and his wf. at length d., the farm was sold, and the grandchn. sought a more western home, as already told.

GARDNER. This name was never numerously represented on our territory. In early times considerable tracts of land were owned by Richard, Caleb, and John Gardner. Richard and Caleb were bros.; John may have been another bro., or perhaps a son of Richard. I find no clew to their pedigree, nor am I certain that they all res. here. But I find that John Parkhurst, fr. of our first Parkhursts, bought the 161 acres of land, wherewith he endowed Isaac and Jonas, of Caleb Gardner, then of Newport, R.I., who had it of his bro. Richard, etc. See what I say in the introduction to my genealogy of the Parkhursts. This purchase of 161 acres dates back of 1745. I find also other lands, not far from our Centre, mentioned or referred to as owned by one or more of these Gardners. But their ownership soon passed into other hands, and the name disappeared in those days from our records. Latterly we have had several Gardners in town, but I have reports from only the following named families: —

GARDNER, Joshua, son of Richard and Sarah (Fuller) Gardner (who were from Eng., and had 11 chn.), b. Phillipsburg, Me., Jan. 17, 1801; carpenter; m. *Susan Boynton*, dr. of Richard and Betsey (Davis) Boynton, b. Meredith, N.H., date not given; cer. in Newton, Jan. 9, 1829, by Rev. Joseph Grafton. Issue: —

Charlotte, b. Newton Upper Falls, Oct. 9, 1829; m. George Smith, Sept., 1855; he d. Aug., 1865.

Mary E., b. Newton Upper Falls, June 10, 1832; m., 1st, George Billings, Oct., 1851, by whom she had 2 drs.: Susie M., b. in West Newton, Sept. 29, 1852; and Lottie M., b. Newton Upper Falls, Feb. 26, 1858. Mr. Billings, the hus. and fr., d. in St. Catherine, Mo., June 26, 1861.

Mrs. Mary E. m., 2d, William F. Reynolds of Mil., Oct. 21, 1864. See Reynolds. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner must, I think, have come in town some 30 yrs. ago. He has been an industrious carpenter and orderly citizen. She long and successfully practised midwifery, but has latterly suffered so much from sickness and infirmity as to oblige her to relinquish her professional responsibilities.

GARDNER, Lewis F., son of Thomas and Nancy (Fairbanks) Gardner, b. in Mendon, June 24, 1815; boot-click; m. *Hannah S. Thurber*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah (Sibley) Thurber, b. in Mendon, Dec. 2, 1821; cer. Medfield, April 22, 1840, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

Alvah B., b. Mendon, Oct. 29, 1841; m., name not given, Jan. 25, 1876.

Mary E., b. Mendon, Feb. 22, 1848; m., name not given, Jan. 24, 1866.

George L., b. Mil., March 1, 1854; m., name not given, Oct. 1, 1879.

Hannah S., b. Mendon, July 22, 1856; unm.

Worthy family. The hus. and fr. d. in Mil., Oct. 15, 1857. His widowed wf. has shown uncommon enterprise as a judicious boarding-house manager,

and brought up her chn. to virtue and usefulness. She recently m., 2d, Aldrich B. Cook of Mendon.

One grandchild: —

BLANCHE L. GARDNER, b. Feb. 11, 1880.

GARDNER, SAMUEL HENRY[7] (Oliver C.,[6] Latham,[5] Alexander,[4] Thomas,[3] George,[2] John[1]), b. Nantucket, Feb. 17, 1824; mr.'s maiden name, Hannah Macy; m. *Lydia Paddock Brown*, dr. of Benjamin and Nancy (Gardner) Brown, b. Nantucket, Oct. 1, 1835; cer. Nantucket, Dec. 31, 1854, by Rev. N. P. Philbrook. Their chn.: —

ALEXANDER BROWN, b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1855; m. Fannie Young, Aug. 26, 1878.

HERBERT H., b. Mil., Aug. 25, 1859.

ARTHUR C., b. Mil., Nov. 24, 1861.

DAVID M., b. Mil., April 12, 1871.

ROLAND, b. Mil., Aug. 23, 1874; d. Jan. 3, 1875.

LOUISE M., b. Mil., Sept. 8, 1880.

Mr. Gardner's occupation is that of steam and gas pipe fitting. From his 17th yr. until just before mge., he followed the seas in both whaling and merchant service. He came to Mil. from Nantucket in the summer of 1854. He has res. transiently in several other places, but since 1854 has always considered Mil. his home. During the late war he served one yr. in the U.S. Navy. A worthy and respected family.

GARDNER, ALEXANDER BROWN[8] (Samuel H.,[7] Oliver C.,[6] Latham,[5] Alexander,[4] Thomas,[3] George,[2] John[1]), b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1855; mr.'s maiden name, Lydia Paddock Brown; m. *Fannie Young*, dr. of William and Emily Ann (Attwood) Young, b. in Luton, Bedfordshire, Eng., Sept. 20, 1855; cer. Providence, R.I., Aug. 26, 1878, by Rev. Augustus W. Kingsley. Issue: —

WILLIAM SAMUEL, b. Mil., Nov. 6, 1879.

ALFRED HERBERT, b. Mil., March 25, 1881.

Mr. Gardner is a spinning-ring turner at Hopedale. He and his young family start off in life under promising auspices.

We have a few other Gardners in Mil., but I have not been favored with their family records.

GASKILL. The Gaskills of this general vicinity are of English origin, and descendants of Edward, who had land grants in Salem as early as 1637. He had a son Samuel, who became interested in Quaker preaching, and got punished, under the laws of that day, for attending Quaker meetings. It was probably a great grandson of Edward, whose name was Samuel, that came to the South Parish of Mendon, now Blackstone, in 1736, and bought a large farm of Stephen Swett for £450. The links between Edward of Salem and this Samuel, also said to be of Salem, are left so obscure by the old genealogists, that I must not presume to guess them. It seems certain that our Samuel of So. Mendon must have been either gd. son or gt. gd. son of Edward. Samuel of Mendon had at least 2 sons; viz., Ebenezer and Benjamin. Ebenezer m. Hannah Gurley, and had George, David, Joseph, Peter, and Samuel; his drs. not reported. Samuel Gaskill, son of Ebenezer, m. Olive Cook for his 1st wf., and had in Mendon, —

HANNAH, who m. Willard Wilcox.

NAUM, who m. Sally Southwick.

SARAH, who m. Robert Allen.

Our Mil. Gaskills are the offspring of Naum and Sally (Southwick) Gaskill. Naum and Sally's chn., all b. in Mendon: —

JOHN SOUTHWICK, b. Dec. 12, 1807; m. Harriet E. Staples; she d. Sept. 3, 1874.

SAMUEL, b. Jan. 14, 1810; an exemplary bachelor, and res. Mil.

HANNAH, b. Sept. 9, 1811; m. —— Sprague; now a wid.

OLIVE, b. June 10, 1813; m. Elkaneh Barrows. She d., a wid. July 12, 1881.

MICAJAH COLLINS, b. Sept. 26, 1816; m., 1st, Hannah M. Taft, April 7, 1842; 2d, Alzada Gould, Feb. 12, 1850.

MARY THURBER, b. Aug. 13, 1818; m. Willis Gould, April 6, 1845.

ALMIRA FAIRBANKS, b. June 8, 1821; m. Charles Fletcher, Dec. 8, 1844.

GILBERT, b. April 28, 1823; m., 1st, Olive W. Gould, Sept. 1, 1848; 2d, Ellen F. Wheelock, Feb. 18, 1855.

NAUM, Jun., b. April 18, 1825; m. Fanny Eliza Wheelock, July 4, 1850.

RICHARD GEORGE, b. March 16, 1827; m., 1st., Caroline Rhoda Briggs, July 1, 1849; 2d., Serinda Brooks, May 2, 1875.

LEWIS BOYDEN, b. Jan. 4, 1829; m. Annie E. Jenckes, May 8, 1863.

ALBERT WARREN, b. Dec. 28, 1831; m. Miranda Hill, March 25, 1857.

Of these 12 chn., Olive Barrows is the first to pass away. Naum Gaskill, the fr., d. in Mendon, May 4, 1860, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Sally, his wid., d. April 10, 1875, in her 84th yr. I have given this family record because several of the chn. reside in Mil., and all are somewhat intimately associated with our inhabitants by relationship and frequent intercourse.

GASKILL, SAMUEL, son of Naum and Sally (Southwick) Gaskill, b. in Mendon, Jan. 14, 1810, has been one of our respected citizens for many yrs. He is an exemplary, economical bachelor of 71 yrs. He is always industrious, prudent in his financial affairs, and now one of our largest landholders. He has gradually absorbed into his possession several considerable farms in So. Milford district, besides various sized parcels. I think he must own between 600 and 800 acres in all, though I do not pretend to have informed myself exactly. He dwells on the ancient Dea. Gideon Albee place, and owns much of the land in that vicinity.

GASKILL, NAUM, a younger bro. of the above, res. on the plain in So. Mil. He was b. in Mendon, April 18, 1825. He m. *Fanny Eliza Wheelock*, dr. of Simeon and Diana (Albee) Wheelock, b. Mendon, 1834; cer. at Hopedale, July 4, 1850, by the writer. Their chn.:—

AUBERN, b. Nov. 18, 1852.

ROSABELLE, b. Dec. 11, 1854; m. Lewis Bates, Mendon, Oct. 25, 1871.

WILFRED, b. Dec. 31, 1856.

FRANK, b. Jan. 5, 1860.

JESSE, b. Jan. 14, 1862.

JENNIE ELLIOT, b. Feb. 7, 1865.

HANNAH SPRAGUE, b. Sept. 11, 1871.

FREDDIE, b. Oct. 31, 1872.

Mr. Gaskill has res. in town ever since 1851; for some yrs. with his bro. R. G. Gaskill, as joint owner of what is now called the Spindleville place, and latterly near the junction of Plain St. with the old turnpike.

GASKILL, RICHARD GEORGE, of the same parentage, b. March 16, 1827; m., 1st, *Caroline Rhoda Briggs*, dr. of Elkaneh and Asenath (Gale) Briggs, b. So. Orange, Aug. 9, 1834; cer. July 1, 1849, by Rev. H. B. Fisk. Their chn.:—

CAROLINE DIANA, b. Feb. 11, 1852; m. Francis S. Collins, Feb. 19, 1871.

SALLY SOUTHWICK, b. Aug. 22, 1854; d. March 7, 1858.

RICHARD GEORGE, Jun., b. March 15, 1857; spindle-maker at Spindleville.

JOHN SOUTHWICK, b. July 16, 1859; d. May 24, 1874.

Mr. Gaskill must have dwelt in town over 20 yrs. He res. on the Samuel Warfield farm, now owned by his bro. Samuel, and has charge of it. He is a sturdy, hard-working, executive farmer. He has 4 grandchn. by his dr. Caroline Diana Collins and husband, who now res. in Chicago, Ill.; viz.: —

SALLY SOUTHWICK, b. Mil., Sept., 1871.

ANNIE, b. Mil., June, 1874.

GRACIE, b. Mil., March 15, 1876.

FRANKIE, b. Chicago, May, 1878.

Separation by divorce from Mrs. Caroline having taken place, the hus. m., 2d, *Serinda Brooks*, dr. of David and Mary (Powell) Brooks, b. St. Albans, Vt., Sept. 19, 1840; cer. May 2, 1875, by Rev. Mr. Townsend. No chn.

GASKILL, LEWIS BOYDEN, of the same ptge., b. Jan. 4, 1829; m. *Annie E. Jenckes*, dr. of Ezra and Julia A. (Swan) Jenckes, b. Mendon, Feb. 9, 1844; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., May 8, 1863, by Rev. John Boyden. No chn.

They own and reside on the most ancient civilized spot in our town, where Benjamin Alby built the first "corn-mill" in all these parts, more than 210 yrs. ago. In connection with this famous mill-seat, I suppose Mr. Gaskill possesses a respectable farm. I presume he and his family endeavor to honor an honorable homestead.

GASSETT, WILLIAM G., and *Marcia*, are credited with, —

FRANCIS EUGENE, b. March 27, 1842; d. Oct. 7 ensuing.

GASSETT, ELISHA N., and *Matilda*, are credited with, —

SMITH D., b. March 11, 1839.

LAVIRA N., b. Sept. 7, 1841.

GASSETT, WILLIAM G., Jun., at E. E. Cook's stable, and EDWARD, butcher, res. in town.

GAY, JASON, ptge. and ancestry untraced; b. about the yr. 1800; m. *Betsey Barber*, youngest dr. of Hamlet and Rhoda (Ware Clark) Barber, b. prob. in Holl., Nov. 24, 1800; cer. prob. in Holl., 1821, precise date and particulars not ascertained. He was a boot and shoe maker. They set., lived, and d. in Mil. Their chn.: —

GEORGE, b. Oct. 23, 1822; d. Aug. 10, 1873.

CHARLES, b. Oct. 7, 1824; d. July 30, 1825.

SARAH MARIA, b. Dec. 20, 1826; m. William L. F. Hatch, Nov. 10, 1846.

CHARLES, b. June 15, 1829; m. Helen Ann Rockwood, May 7, 1856.

HANNAH, b. Nov. 1, 1831; m. Giles A. Egan, Nov. 12, 1849; burnt to death, Feb. 22, 1851.

PATIENCE ALMIRA, b. July 20, 1835.

Well-disposed, hard-working people. He d. Aug. 31, 1868. Mrs. Betsey, his wid., d. Oct. 19, 1877.

GAY, CHARLES, son of Jason and Betsey (Barber) Gay, b. Mil., June 15, 1829; boot-cutter; m. *Helen Ann Rockwood*, dr. of Lewis Leander and Mary Ann (Morse) Rockwood, b. Upton, July 13, 1834; cer. in Mil., May 7, 1856, by Rev. James R. Johnson. Issue: —

LEANDER ROCKWOOD, b. Mil., May 13, 1862; d. March 17, 1864.

INEZ LINETTA, b. Mil., April 25, 1867.

Moral repute and social standing good.

GAY, EMILY, dr. of Jotham and Lydia (Richards) Gay, b. Dedham, July 10, 1818; homœopathic physician; has always lived a single woman; became a member of the Hopedale Community in 1842, and withdrew in 1862; has

res. many yrs. at Hopedale, and still does. She has earnestly endeavored to make herself useful in her vocation, and rendered many good services to suffering humanity. She has survived much sickness and adversity, but still bears up hopefully for this life and the spiritual one of eternity.

GAY, Rev. GEORGE, ptge. and ancestry not ascertained; b. in Chelsea, Feb. 9, 1814; was at one time a minister of the Universalist denomination in the State of Maine; m. *Lydia Godfrey*, b. in Steuben, Me., April 28, 1821; precise date and circumstances of mge. not ascertained. Their chn.:—

GEORGE GODFREY, b. Steuben, Me., May 25, 1843; supposed to have d. in a rebel prison.

MARIANNA, b. Steuben, Me., Sept. 7, 1845; present locality not ascertained.

HATTIE SHAW, b. Steuben, Me., March 21, 1848; present locality not ascertained.

CHARLES MILLIKEN, b. Steuben, Me., Aug. 21, 1851; present locality not ascertained.

EDDIE, b. Steuben, Me., May 27, 1853; present locality not ascertained.

This family came to res. at Hopedale in 1853. The parents were members of the Community for a few yrs., but resigned in 1859. They now res. in the vicinity of Boston. They have suffered seriously from complicated domestic adversities, but at last advices were struggling, with various success, to transcend their misfortunes.

GAY, THOMAS R., son of Amos B. and Loamie (Herrick) Gay, b. Franklin, March 7, 1823; m. *Ellen Hoyt*, dr. of Moses and Lydia Cluf Hoyt, b. Enfield, N.H., Feb. 5, 1822; cer. in Valley Falls, R.I., Oct. 10, 1847, by Rev. Mr. Preston. Their chn.:—

CHARLES EDWARD, b. Valley Falls, R.I., Sept. 6, 1848; m. Matilda Wilkes.

GEORGE EDGAR, b. Wrentham, Aug. 20, 1849; d. Mil., Jan. 15, 1873.

RUTLEDGE, b. Wrentham, Nov. 29, 1852; d. Jan. 15, 1854.

WESLEY M., b. Wrentham, Sept. 1, 1857; m. Sarah Jane Allen, Oct. 25, 1879.

Industrious, hard-working, well-disposed people. Mr. G. has res. in town mostly for 20 yrs. He is chiefly known in his vocation of teamster, in which he renders faithful service. His son Wesley follows the same calling. He and wf. dwell with his parents. They have 1 child, —

GEORGE RUTLEDGE, b. Aug. 20, 1880.

GAY, CHARLOTTE B., dr. of Amos B. and Loamie (Herrick) Gay, b. Franklin, Dec. 11, 1809; always a single woman; eminently useful as a tailoress, nurse, and housekeeper, and of exemplary moral worth in all situations of life. Presided many yrs., and till lately, as housekeeper in the family of Stephen Albee, at Hopedale.

GIBBS. Few of this name have dwelt within our territorial limits.

GIBBS, JAMES[4] (Jonathan,[3] Matthew,[2] Matthew[1]), b. in Framingham, May 28, 1726; m. *Martha Newton*, and had several chn., but none of them b. here, I think. He joined our Cong. ch. Dec. 2, 1744, but was soon dismissed to Sturbridge ch., whither he removed,

GIBBS, JOSEPH, Jun.[4] (Joseph,[3] Matthew,[2] Matthew[1]), of the same Framingham lineage, seems to have united with the ch. here in 1764. I am in doubt who he was, and what became of him. The records are obscure and confused. I therefore drop him, as I find him, in uncertainty.

GIBBS, Lieut. JOSEPH[5] (Jacob,[4] Isaac,[3] John,[2] Matthew[1]), bap. 1727; m. *Elizabeth Palmer*, in Cambridge, Sept. 11, 1749. Their chn:—

MARY, b. Fram., Feb. 28, 1750; untraced.

Elizabeth, b. Fram., July 14, 1752; m. Jacob Hayward, Oct. 29, 1772.
John Butterfield, b. Fram., May 7, 1754; prob. d. young.
Martha, b. Fram., Jan. 22, 1756; untraced.
Sarah, b. Fram., Nov. 7, 1759; untraced.
Pelatiah, b. Holl., date not found; m. Anna Littlefield, Feb. 25, 1779.
Bethiah, b. Holl., Aug. 10, 1762; m. Col. Benjamin Godfrey, Dec. 31, 1778.
Hannah, b. Holl., bap. June 16, 1765; prob. d. young.
Abigail, b. Holl., Dec. 30, 1764; m. Timothy Fisher, jun., Dedham, Nov. 26, 1789.

I infer that Lieut. Joseph came first from Fram. to that part of Holl. which rendered it convenient for his family to attend public worship at our then Precinct meeting-house; for several of the younger chn. seem to have been bap. here. Just when he took up his res. on our side of the line, is not apparent, but prob. in 1769; as I find deeds which show that he then purchased a homestead at the south end of Rocky Woods, on Sherborn road, adjacent to the Daniell place. Most of that homestead he bought of Dr. William Jennison, and a minor portion of Oliver Daniell, comprising in all over 100 acs. Jennison's deed is dated March 9, 1769, and Daniell's April 19, 1769. There was then a considerable-sized old-fashioned dwelling-house on the place, with conveniences for a grocery store, and several outbuildings. There Lieut. Joseph, after taking possession, is said to have opened a larger store of groceries and desirable varieties than had ever before been kept in the Precinct. If so, the establishment must have been of brief duration. But there, I presume, he dwelt down to the time of his death in 1805. He and his wf. Elizabeth were recd. into the Mil. ch., by letters commendatory, in 1772. Mrs. Elizabeth d., date not found; the hus. m., 2d, *Rebecca Albee*, wid. of Seth Albee; cer. Aug. 27, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost, she being a member of the Cong. ch. Issue:—

Jacob, b. date not found; d. in early infancy.
Benjamin, b. Dec. 25, 1783; m., 1st, Clarinda Jones, 1805; 2d, Pedee Thayer, 1821.

Mrs. Rebecca d. July 30, 1798; the hus. m., 3d, *Dorcas Thayer* of Hop., Nov., 1799. No chn. She d. Sept. 26, 1804. Lieut. Joseph himself d. Nov. 11, 1805. He seems to have been a man of considerable note and influence in his day. His habitation became desolate in the course of a few yrs., and was finally demolished. Its cellar-hole remains were long known to the last generation, and a few of the still living, by clusters of the Balm of Gilead tree. It is noticed as No. 4, among my "Abandoned Home-Sites." See Chap. XV. A curious little incident is told in connection with the occasion of Rev. Mr. Long's ordination, May 20, 1801. Lieut. Joseph hospitably invited home to sup with him a goodly company of friends. Just as they were getting seated at table, they espied a rattlesnake crawling slowly along an open cross-beam, almost directly over their heads. They vacated their seats in haste. The master of the house promptly despatched his unwelcome guest, and his hospitality was duly enjoyed. Rocky Woods was a favorite haunt of rattlesnakes in former times, and even down to a recent period.

GIBBS, Benjamin[6] (Lieut. Joseph,[5] Jacob,[4] Isaac,[3] John,[2] Matthew[1]), b. in Mil., Dec. 25, 1783; m., 1st, *Clarinda Jones*, dr. of Capt. Ezekiel and Mary (Wight) Jones, b. in Mil., April 13, 1786; cer. Nov. 24, 1805, by Rev. David Long. Mrs. Clarinda d. childless, Nov. 11, 1820; the hus. m., 2d, *Experience* alias *Pedee Thayer*, dr. of Jotham and Bathshebah (Wheelock) Thayer b. July 20, 1786; cer. June 3, 1821, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

CLARINDA, b. Mil., March 15, 1822; m. Elihu Veber, Feb. 22, 1844; 4 chn.

NAMELESS INFT., b. Mil., date not found; d. April 13, 1823.

CLARK J., b. Mil., Feb. 6, 1825; m. Almira Kent, April 2, 1848; 2 chn.

CHARLES, b. N. Y. State, Jan. 11, 1828; d. July 16, 1849.

HIRAM HUNT, b. N. Y. State, Oct. 5, 1829; m. Betsey Wilkinson, Oct. 17, 1851; 1 son.

LEONARD, b. N. Y. State, Oct. 28, 1831; m. Elizabeth Johnson, June 16, 1856; 1 son.

FARNUM, b. N. Royalton, O., March 1, 1835; m. Calista Garlock, Nov. 6, 1856; 5 chn.

ALEXANDER W., b. N. Royalton, O., Jan. 9, 1844; m. Alice P. Green, Feb. 6, 1867; 5 chn.

Mr. Gibbs and wives held a respectable social standing here and elsewhere. He was a skilful, neat, and executive cabinet-maker. He dwelt on E. Main St., where Charles T. Eames afterwards had his domicile and shop. Mr. G., 2d wf., and 2 chn., left Mil. in June, 1825, to find a home in western New York. I forget the name of the town. Thence the family removed, in Oct., 1835, to No. Royalton, O. There (perhaps before) the parents, and most if not all their chn., became devotedly attached to the Christian ch. called "Disciples," or sometimes Campbellites. Farnum Gibbs is a successful minister of that denomination, as well as farmer. All the surviving members of the family are in comfortable circumstances. The gd. chn. number 18, and the gt. gd. ch. 14. The fr. d. Jan. 27, 1851; the mr. and wid. d. Nov. 9, 1876. Hiram H. d. April 25, 1871. Leonard d. Feb. 17, 1857.

GIBSON, THADDEUS, pedigree untraced; appears to have m. *Elizabeth Sumner*, dr. of James Sumner, Esq., date and particulars not ascertained. All I learn about them is from the record of persons warned out of town in 1791: "Thaddeus Gibson, wife Elizabeth, and two children, Lewis and Mary, from Hampshire State, came here Jan. 10, 1782; taken in by James Sumner." Whither they went, or what became of them, I learn nothing.

GIBSON, JOHN, pedigree untraced; m. *Sarah A. Cushman*, dr. of Matthew S. and Cynthia Cushman; cer. in Mil., Dec. 21, 1826, by the writer. I can give no account of their issue. They left town, she long ago d., and the hus. m. again. He res. a while since once more among us, and told me some of his experiences in life; but my recollection does not serve me well enough to state particulars.

We have had a few other Gibsons here for longer or shorter periods, and some yet in town; but they have reported to me no family records.

GILMAN, SILENUS C., son of Jehiel and Polly (Bliss) Gilman, b. in East Calais, Vt., July 25, 1818, foreman of boot-factory; m., 1st, *Sarah Ann Perry*, dr. of Josiah W. and Anna (Corbett) Perry, b. Mil., 1822; cer. at Hopedale, April 28, 1846, by the writer. Issue:—

ELLA FRANCENA, b. Mil., July 29, 1849; m. Paran C. H. Belcher, Sept. 8, 1869.

MARY LOUISA, b. Mil., June 15, 1852; m. Frederick P. Ham, May 22, 1872.

Mrs. Sarah Ann departed this life Nov. 22, 1854. Mr. G. m., 2d, *Priscilla Bingham Fisk*, dr. of Bingham and Lydia Smith (Avery) Fisk, b. in Chaplin, Windham County, Ct., March 1, 1831; cer. in Mil., April 22, 1856, by Rev. J. R. Johnson. Issue:—

FRANK FISK, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1860.

Mr. G. has long res. in town, is executive in the despatch of business, is an

orderly and trusted citizen, and a respected member of society. His wives and children have held a like reputable social standing. There has been but one gd. child as yet reported; viz., *George Paran Belcher*, b. July 21, 1870, who d. in early infancy.

GILLMAN, WILLIAM CONNER, son of Herbert and Wilhelmina Martha (Conner) Gillman, b. in Bandon Coof, Cork County, Ireland, Dec. 20, 1842; m. *Arabella Wharton*, dr. of John and Hannah (Coston) Wharton, b. Enfield, Me., Nov. 6, 1844; cer. in Hopedale, Oct. 13, 1867, by the writer. One foster dr., —

HATTIE E. GILLMAN, b. in Veazie, Me., Feb. 22, 1865.

Intelligent and excellent people. Mr. G. has long been the executive, faithful, and trusted foreman of Johnson, Rust, & Co.'s extensive boot and shoe manufactory.

GILLMAN, JOSEPH, bro. of the preceding, b. in Ireland, 1844; m. *Mary Edna Bragg*, dr. of Willard and Mary (Claflin) Bragg, b. Oct. 7, 1847; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 15, 1867, by the writer. No chn. reported to me. Of good repute. Found in Directory of 1878, but not in that of 1880.

GILLMAN, JOSEPH COGHLIN, son of Herbert and Bridget Sophia (Coghlin) Gillman, b. in Ireland, 1819; watchman; m. *Jane E. Hunt*, dr. of Lowell and Emily (Bragg) Hunt, b. in Mil., 1832; cer. at Hopedale, July 1, 1869, by the writer. No chn. reported to me. Worthy people. Mrs. Jane d. June 19, 1879.

GILLMAN, HERBERT, noted in Directory of 1880 as farmer, house Grant St.

GILLMAN, HERBERT, Jun., noted in Directory of 1880 as boot and shoe manufacturer (firm of Gillman & Raftery), South Bow, house Exchange.

GILLMAN, THOMAS G., boot-click, bds. H. Gillman's, Grant St.

There are several Gillmans in town whose family records I hoped to have obtained, but am disappointed.

GLEASON, ZELOTES, son of Abel and Catherine (Lincoln) Gleason, b. Westmoreland, N.H., Dec. 18, 1809; came to Mil. about the yr. 1843; carriage-dealer and farmer; m. *Sarah Adelaide Scott*, dr. of Rila and Sarah S. (Paine) Scott, b. Hillsboro', N.H., July 13, 1829; cer. Mil., Dec. 20, 1855, by Rev. James R. Johnson. Their chn.: —

MALVINA FRANCES, b. March 16, 1857; public-school teacher.

ALBERT, b. Oct. 10, 1862.

Mr. Gleason and family res. on Congress St. He d., after a long and wasting illness, June 23, 1876. His surviving wid. and chn. occupy the same res. still, filling up life with exemplary usefulness.

GLEASON, LYMAN, bro. of the above, b. in Westmoreland, N.H., March 7, 1819; boot-finisher: came to Mil. in 1844; m. *Selina A. Rockwood*, dr. of Perley and Prudence (Ward) Rockwood, b. in Upton, March 21, 1830; cer. in Upton, Nov. 27, 1848, by Rev. Mr. Tenney. No issue reported.

GLEASON, DE WITT CLINTON, also son of Abel and Catherine (Lincoln) Gleason, b. Westmoreland, N.H., 1818; m., 2d, *Hopestill Corbett (Perry) Holbrook*, dr. of Josiah and Anna (Corbett) Perry, and wid. of Benjamin Holbrook, b. Mil., Oct. 4, 1833; cer. in Pearl St. Universalist ch., March 10, 1867, by the writer. Issue: —

PERRY, b. May 23, 1873.

Mr. Gleason came into town many yrs. ago, and was first engaged in the lumber business. He afterwards went into the boot-business, and was, at the time of his 2d mge., a boot-manufacturer in Hartford, Ct. If I am not mistaken, he remains so still. Enterprising and worthy people.

There are several other Gleasons in town, unreported to me, but whose names appear in our successive directories.

GODFREY. Col. Benjamin Godfrey and his descendants have been conspicuous in town for their pecuniary, civic, and social standing. I have tried in vain to trace Col. Benjamin's pedigree. All I can learn of his origin is, that he came into our Precinct, from East Greenwich, R.I., his birthplace, between 1770 and 1775; that he came penniless, with only a few articles of wearing apparel in his handkerchief; and that then he was first employed by some one in the Bear-hill district. He could, at that time, have been only between 16 and 20 yrs. of age, — some say only 16. He was full of inborn enterprise and business tact, by force of which he soon rose into business distinction. He had a great aptitude for trade, and turned every exchange to profit. He was m. in 1778; and in 1785 we find him the owner of the Eli Chapin farm, now occupied by F. M. Inman. Thenceforth all kinds of real and personal estate passed through his hands with celerity, or remained in them to his advantage. Before 1797 he had planted himself firmly in the Centre, as merchant and innholder. There, for a time, nearly all the farming produce of Mfl. and its adjacent vicinity passed through his hands, mostly to a ready market in Providence, R.I. In return, he supplied the home-market with an abundant variety of outside necessaries, conveniences, and luxuries. At his zenith he had absorbed into his possession a large landed estate, much of it in and near the Centre. Meantime he rose to be lieut.-col. commandant in the militia, and was honored with responsible town offices. I now proceed to his family record: —

GODFREY, Col. BENJAMIN, ptge. untraced, except that his mr.'s name was Sarah, who lived with him an aged wid. many yrs., and d. April 26, 1813, a. 85 yrs.; b. in East Greenwich, R.I., about 1755; m. *Bethiah Gibbs*, dr. of Lieut. Joseph and Elizabeth Gibbs, b. in Holliston, Aug. 10, 1762; cer. in our Precinct, Dec. 31, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

BETSEY, b. May 19, 1779; m. Seth Davenport, April 29, 1797.
SALLY, b. March 3, 1781; m. Willis Bronson, Dec. 20, 1801.
JOHN, b. March 13, 1783; d. March 15, 1784.
SOPHIA, b. April 28, 1784; m. Benjamin Davenport, Nov. 3, 1805.
BENJAMIN, Jun., b. April 18, 1786; d. Nov. 3, 1806, a. 20 yrs.
WILLIAM, b. Feb. 10, 1788; m. Nancy Stearns, Nov. 30, 1809.
HOPESTILL, b. Feb. 13, 1790; m. Dr. Jeremy Stimpson, Sept. 7, 1808.
MARY MELLEN, b. Oct. 29, 1792; d. March 16, 1816, a. 24 yrs.
SAMUEL WARREN, b. Nov. 23, 1795; d. July 9, 1817, a. 22 yrs.
CHARLOTTE FROST, b. June 23, 1798; m. Charles Leland, Philadelphia, Nov. 27, 1823.

Mrs. Bethiah joined the Cong. ch. in 1800. The col. does not seem to have made any profession of religion, but gave liberal countenance and support to the standing ch. and ministry, which is commonly accepted in such cases as the next best thing. Mrs. Bethiah d. Dec. 13, 1804. The hus. m., 2d, *Catherine Fuller* of Needham, in the spring of 1806. They had 1 dr.: —

SARAH F., b. June 21, 1810; m. Nathan T. Chapin, 1845. She had a brief m. life.

Col. Benjamin d. Oct. 9, 1822. Mrs. Catherine d. Sept. 21, 1840.

GODFREY, WILLIAM[2] (Col. Benjamin[1]), b. Feb. 10, 1788; m. *Nancy*, dr. of David and Joanna (Adams) Stearns, b. March 1, 1791; cer. Nov. 30, 1809, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

HARRIET BETHIAH, b. Aug. 13, 1810; m. John Erskine, Sept. 20, 1830.

David Stearns, b. Nov. 13, 1811; m. Elizabeth A. Carshore, Sept. 12, 1836.

Benjamin Davenport, b. Jan. 19, 1813; m. Ann Eliza Roberts, Feb. 17, 1842.

William, Jun., b. Dec. 27, 1814; d. 1824.

Mary, b. Oct. 20, 1816; m. Dr. James Fiske, May 17, 1837.

Samuel, b. Dec. 7, 1819; m. Julia Brown, Philadelphia, March 31, 1845; and he d. without issue, Sept. 18, 1846.

William Godfrey inherited the large farm of his fr., m. an excellent wf., maintained a high social standing, was remarkably enterprising, of generous public spirit, and a popular citizen. He established the first line of stage-coaches ever run between Mendon, Milford, and Boston. This was done in 1822. He subsequently extended this line to Stratford and Norwich, Ct., thereby connecting with steamers to New York, and opening direct communication between Boston and the empire city through Milford. He had previously introduced into town the manufacture of cotton-plush hats, which had a brisk run for several yrs. The tin-ware business under Lewis Johnson, started in 1822, was largely due to his projection and patronage. Also the carriage, harness, and wheelright establishment of 1826. Also the currying and leather business under H. & H. Freeman in 1830, afterwards successfully prosecuted by Godfrey & Mayhew. Thus, and in many other ways, he won a deserved popularity from his townsmen of all classes. He was famous in the horse-trade, and once gave me a characteristic anecdote of his tact in that line. A man from one of the neighboring towns called on him, anxious to swap horses, but did not bring the animal he wished to exchange along with him. "Oh, yes!" said Mr. G., "I am always ready to accommodate in that line. I'll show you two or three of the general value you indicate." One was presently selected that seemed to suit. Whereupon the man examined the animal closely, and asked if he was free from such and such defects. "I read him like a book," said Mr. G., "and knew that his horse probably had the very defects on which he laid the most stress." "Well," said the man, "I suppose you will want to see my horse before we trade." — "Oh, no! I'll take him at such a boot. I know all about him." — "How is that?" said the man, "you never saw him?" — "No; but he has a spavin on one of his legs, is a little foundered in the fore-feet, his wind is sometimes short, etc.," naming half a dozen defects. "How under heaven have you found all this out?" exclaimed the man. "Oh! I understand horses in these cases: send him along; it's an even bargain." "The fellow," said he, "did not dream he had sufficiently described his own horse." I always found Mr. G. a genial, kind-hearted, and accommodating friend. He d. somewhat suddenly, Sept. 2, 1839. His much respected wid., Mrs. Nancy, d. March 1, 1861.

GODFREY, David Stearns[3] (William,[2] Col. Benjamin[1]), b. Nov. 13, 1811; m. *Elizabeth A. Carshore*, dr. of —— and Sally (Freeland) Carshore (afterwards Mrs. Benjamin Davenport), birth-date not given; cer. at the res. of Benjamin Davenport, Esq., Mendon, Sept. 12, 1836, by the writer. They had no issue. D. S. Godfrey inherited all, and more than all, the commendable qualities of his progenitors. His enterprise, public spirit, judicious shrewdness, and kindness of heart, were pre-eminent. He was the leading proposer and promoter of the Branch R.R. to Framingham. He was no less distinguished for mental independence and liberality of religious sentiment. I shall be pardoned for my high appreciation of him in the

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remembrance of his friendly regard for myself from his boyhood to the close of life. This regard he uniformly manifested in many ways. Among the more prominent tokens of it, I may mention, 1st, his procuring a valuable portrait of me after I came to Hopedale, which, just before his death, he donated to the Hopedale Community in my care; 2d, his leaving me a legacy of $50 in his will; and 3d, his careful pre-arrangement that I should deliver an address at his funeral in the Cong. meeting-house, his pastor, Rev. Mr. Woodbury, officiating in the other services. He was a great sufferer from a fatal bone-disease in one of his arms, which he had had repeatedly amputated in vain. After many months of anguish and wasting, patiently endured, he passed into the higher existence in full assurance of immortal blessedness, Sept. 12, 1853, universally respected and lamented, being in the 42d yr. of his age. His bereaved companion subsequently m. Hamilton B. Staples, Esq.; cer. at Esq. Davenport's in Mendon, June 15, 1858, by Rev. Mr. Barber. Mrs. Staples d. of heart disease, Mil., July 1, 1867.

GODFREY, BENJAMIN DAVENPORT[3] (William,[2] Col. Benjamin[1]), b. Jan. 19, 1813; m. *Ann Eliza Roberts*, dr. of John and Sarah E. (Stuart) Roberts, b. Pemberton, N.J., Aug. 15, 1819; cer. in Philadelphia, Penn., Feb. 17, 1842, by Rev. Mr. Boardman. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM, b. New York, Dec. 9, 1842; d. Mil., Aug. 27, 1843.

CHARLES BOKER, b. New York, Feb. 12, 1845; m. Cora Anna Chapin, June 25, 1868.

DAVID STEARNS, b. Boston, Feb. 29, 1848; m. Annie Donovan, 1872; famous musician.

ANNIE ROBERTS, b. Mil., Feb. 11, 1850; m. Melville Dewey, Boston, Oct. 19, 1878.

LYDIA BOKER, b. Mil., Aug. 7, 1855; assist. high-school teacher.

This family maintains the ancestral social standing. Mr. Godfrey is a man of lively enterprise, inventive mechanical ingenuity, and a fine taste for the beautiful; but he has experienced embarrassing business reverses and sad trials of his personal fortitude, yet is sustained by unfaltering trust in Divine Providence, being a fervently religious man. He is a zealous friend of the working-people, temperance cause, woman suffragists, and other reform movements. He is entitled to the credit of being a pioneer in applying boot and shoe machinery by power. The boot and shoe manufactory, north side, near the head of Central St., erected by Mr. Godfrey in the year 1855, was the first, he says, ever built in this country, or any other, for the express purpose of running boot and shoe machinery by power. Wm. R. Bliss, a boot-manufacturer of Worcester, about the time Mr. Godfrey contemplated building his factory, was running a few of the Howe sewing-machines, in which he was interested with the inventor, Elias Howe, by steam-power, in Merrifield's Building, and was also finishing some of his boot-bottoms by power. Mr. Godfrey, witnessing the operation, saw at a glance the great advantage to be derived in the manufacture of boots and shoes on an extensive scale by power, and decided at once to build his factory for the accommodation of steam-power to be practically applied to all his boot and shoe machinery.

GODFREY, CHARLES BOKER[4] (Benjamin D.,[3] William,[2] Col. Benjamin[1]), b. Feb. 12, 1845; m. *Cora Anna Chapin*, dr. of Daniel S. and Angeline P. (Nelson) Chapin, b. Orrington, Me., Dec. 11, 1845; cer. in Mil., June 25, 1868, by Rev. Charles J. White. Their chn.:—

MABEL LEE, b. Oct. 27, 1869.

GRACE, b. Nov. 15, 1873.

Worthy their ancestry; and are battling bravely in the great competitive arena of life, in which they have caught some hard blows, but are hoping for better success. They have res. here mostly since marriage, but he is now doing business in Boston.

GODMAN, JAMES, pedigree unknown; m. *Ann Nelson*, dr. of Gershom and Abigail (Ellithorpe) Nelson, b. in Rowley, Sept. 4, 1703; cer. Nov. 19, 1731. Issue, according to Rev. Mr. Frost's baptismal record:—

MARGARET, said to be Ann's illegit. dr., bap. April 1, 1744.

COMFORT, bap. Aug. 7, 1757.

JOHN, bap. July 16, 1758.

The previous and subsequent history of James Godman is unknown to me. He was among the old Mendonians, before the incorporation of our Easterly Precinct, and had prob. had a former wf. and family; but after this mge. to Ann Nelson, he dwelt somewhere on Mill River in the neighborhood of now Hopedale. No death-dates have come to my knowledge.

GOLDSMITH, JOHN, son of Timothy and Mary (Walker) Goldsmith, b. in Stillwater, N.Y., Nov. 17, 1806; m. *Julia A. Parkhurst*, adopted dr. of Dea. Ithiel and Catherine Parkhurst, b. in Killingly, Ct., date not given; cer. in Mil., Aug. 1, 1833, by Rev. O. Robbins. Issue:—

CHARLES C., b. Mil., Dec. 9, 1833; m. Julina Burr of Ludlow, Jan. 1, 1857.

ARTHUR, b. Mil., July 31, 1836; d. Aug. 23, 1836.

MUNROE A., b. Mil., April 27, 1838; m. Abbie Porter, Sept. 1, 1862.

ELLEN M., b. Mil., Aug. 3, 1840; d. May 19, 1863.

ELIZABETH M., b. Mil., Feb. 6, 1843; m. George H. Douglas, Westfield, Sept. 1, 1869; she d. Aug. 23, 1877.

ANNA J., b. Mil., Nov. 6, 1846; d. Aug. 29, 1849.

GEORGE A., b. Mil., Feb. 27, 1849; d. Feb. 7, 1869.

ADELAIDE, b. Mil., Jan. 27, 1852; d. July 30, 1852.

S. HATTIE, b. Mil., July 26, 1854; m. Frank Mathewson, Mil., May 21, 1873.

A large and worthy family, sadly bereaved again and again. Mr. Goldsmith set. in Mil., Feb., 1828, working for Lee Claflin at the currying business. A little later he became associated with Claflin as partner in the manufacture of boots, being among our pioneers in that line of enterprise. He has ever since followed the same with fair success, now sustained efficiently by his son Munroe. He is a highly-respected citizen, and has been honored with various town offices. He was bereaved of his faithful companion, Mrs. Julia, Oct. 23, 1880.

Grandchn.:—

NELLIE A. GOLDSMITH, b. Nov. 23, 1870.

ANNIE G. DOUGLAS, b. Dec. 8, 1870.

BERTHA M. GOLDSMITH, b. July 27, 1872; soon d.

GOUGH, JOHN, and wf. *Mary*, are credited on our records with the births of the following named chn.:—

GEORGE, b. Feb. 3, 1823.

SARAH ANN, b. Sept. 30, 1825.

WILLIAM JAMES, b. Oct. 18, 1827.

MARY NARCISSA, b. Nov. 30, 1829.

ROBERT, b. April 14, 1832.

ELIZABETH, b., no date; d. early, Feb. 6, 1838.

JOHN CHARLES, b. July 18, 1836.

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 18, 1839.

John Tyler, b. April 20, 1841.

I suppose this must be one of our early Irish families. They all seem to have disappeared from among us not long after 1841; but I am wholly uninformed whither they went, and of their subsequent history.

GOULD. I suspect that our Goulds came in from Hop. and Holl. They are traceable to Hop., whence some of them went to Holl., and from both towns spread into the neighboring ones. They have not been very numerous within our limits. My friend Alfred Bragg has given me, in part, the record of one prominent family, which I have supplemented as well as I could from other sources, there being no dates in his list of names. I refer to Paul Gould's family. The Hop. records seem to show that this Paul was b. in that town, Dec. 22, 1746, and that he was the son of Thomas and Huldah. He set. in Holl., and lived there many yrs. Whether he ever dwelt much, if any, in Mil., is improbable; but he was a near neighbor, and several of his chn. made their homes among us.

GOULD, Paul[2] (Thomas[1]), b. Hop., Dec. 22, 1746; m., in Holl., 1st, *Christian Hill;* cer. Dec. 20, 1770. Issue:—

Pruda, b. Nov. 12, 1771; m. Jesse Daniels, afterwards of Mil.

Olive, b. July 27, 1773; m. Levi Adams.

Isaiah, b. Nov. 21, 1774; m. Lucretia ——, and set. in Bell.; he d. 1849, a. 75 yrs.

Ruth, b. June 17, 1776; m. Reuben Hixon.

Mrs. Christian d. Aug. 10, 1776. The hus. m., 2d, Morse says, *Sarah Pike;* cer. Feb. 20, 1777. Issue:—

Paul, birth-date not found; m. Chloe Adams.

Silas, birth-date not found; m. Olive Thayer of Mendon, 1810.

Josiah, b. March 3, 1793; m., 1st, Olive Warfield; 2d, Keziah Holbrook.

Margery Wiswall, birth-date not found; m. Abijah Howard, Dec., 1808.

Christian, birth-date not found; m. Daniel Adams.

Lydia, birth-date not found; m. Henry Kilburn, 1799.

Jerusha, birth-date not found; m. Laban Thompson.

Sarah, birth-date not found; m. Eleazer Kilburn; the family extinct.

The fr.'s death-date not ascertained. The mr. d. Nov. 28, 1848, a. 96 yrs.

GOULD, Silas[3] (Paul,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not ascertained; m. *Olive Thayer*, dr. of Nathan Thayer, b. Mendon; cer. 1810; particulars not found. Issue:—

Mercy Daniels, b. 1810; d. June 1, 1835.

Susan Semira, b. Sept. 20, 1812; d. Aug. 15, 1845.

The entire family were buried in the Solomon Pratt burying-place in Mendon, where a single stone commemorates them. It was erected by our generous overseer of the poor, Elias Whitney, by town consent, with the fragment of property left in his hands by one of the drs. for that purpose, supplemented by several dollars from his own private purse. Silas Gould d. Jan. 1, 1864, a. 82 years. Mrs. Olive d. April 25, 1854, a. 62 yrs. 7 mos. Hard working, orderly people, sometimes in straitened circumstances.

GOULD, Josiah[3] (Paul,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 3, 1793; m., 1st, *Olive Warfield*, dr. of Capt. Samuel and Margery (Gay) Warfield, b. Sept. 2, 1794; cer. 1814 by whom not ascertained. Issue:—

Dence, b. Aug. 14, 1814; d. Dec. 17, 1817.

Willis, b. April 17, 1818; m. Mary Thurber Gaskill, April 6, 1845.

Maria, b. March 21, 1821; m. William G. Gassett, May 9, 1841.

Alzada, b. July 8, 1823; m. Micajah C. Gaskill, Feb. 12, 1850.

Moses, b. Dec. 11, 1824; m. and set. here in town.

Infant, b. ; d. Aug. 27, 1831.

Olive Warfield, b. Jan. 22, 1833; m. Gilbert Gaskill, Sept. 1, 1848; d. 1854.

Mrs. Olive d. Feb. 10, 1833. The hus. m., 2d, *Keziah Albee*, wid. of Nathan Albee, and dr. of Calvin and Sabra (Partridge) Holbrook, b. Feb. 2, 1794; cer. Sept. 22, 1833, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Issue: —

Benjamin, b. Nov. 2, 1833; res. in Boston.

Mr. Gould d. in our town asylum, Sept. 28, 1879, a. 84 yrs. 6 mos. 15 ds.

GOULD, Sewall H.[4] (Paul,[3] Paul,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not ascertained; mr.'s maiden name, Chloe Adams; m., 1st, *Rebecca Howard*, 1832, who d. July 23, 1834; and m., 2d, *Cynthia Albee*, dr. of Seth and Elizabeth (Lambert) Albee, b. Mil., Aug. 7, 1809; cer. March 31, 1835, by Rev. D. Long. Issue, so far as recorded here: —

Cynthia, b. Mil., Feb. 17, 1836.

Amasa, b. Mil., Nov. 14, 1837; m. Susan Benson of Hop., March 13, 1869.

Amanda, b. Mil., Dec. 9, 1839.

Albert, b. Mil., July 27, 1841; d. Jan. 10, 1843.

I think the parents, soon after the last-mentioned date, removed to Hop., and there prob. had other chn.; but as no report has been furnished me of their family record, I can tell no more.

GOULD, Pearley J., pedigree, etc., untraced; said to have been a native of N. H.; m., 1st, *Betsey Green* of Hop., dr. of Cleophas; date and particulars not found. Issue: —

Hiram, birth-date not ascertained; m. Ann Despeaux, Sept. 8, 1836; had 2 chn., and d. 1840.

Albert, birth-date not ascertained; m. 1st, Ann C. Chamberlain, 1839; 2d, Dolly B. Chamberlain, 1840; he d. in Worcester.

Lorenzo, b. Hop., Dec. 25, 1820; m. Eliza F. Johnson, March 8, 1846.

Appleton H., b. not ascertained; res. Owego, N.Y.; m. and prospering there.

Marian, b. not ascertained; unm.; res. Hop.

Adin Ballou, b. not ascertained; resided Salmon River, Cal.; prospered there; not heard from lately.

Mrs. Betsey d. Oct. 16, 1829. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Houghton;* pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. March 3, 1831, by the writer. Issue: some chn. unknown to me. The hus. and fr. d. Nov. 8, 1834. No further particulars ascertained.

GOULD, Lorenzo, son of Pearley J. and Betsey (Green) Gould, b. Hop., Dec. 25, 1820; m. *Eliza F. Johnson*, dr. of Levi and Martha (Wilber) Johnson, b. March 2, 1826; cer. in Thompson, Ct., March 8, 1846, by Esq. Stiles. Issue: —

Manfred Earl, b. Mendon, Jan. 20, 1847; m. Eliza Green; res. Worcester.

Clarence Wilber, b. Mil., Nov. 2, 1849; m. Genevieve Newton; res. Boston.

Clifton Floyd, b. Mil., July 24, 1854; d. Oct. 13, 1875.

Edward Clayton, b. Mil., April 10, 1856; unm.; res. Worcester.

Mariet Hattie, b. Mil., May 7, 1858; d. Oct. 1, 1863.

Carra Blanche, b. Mil., March 30, 1860; d. Sept. 27, 1863.

Le Roy Foster, b. Mil., Nov. 3, 1861; in a Boston store.

Worthy family; enterprising, industrious, and exemplary. They have drunk their cups of affliction with undespairing resignation. The hus. and fr. d. in

Mil., April 7, 1873, in his 53d yr. His worthy wid. has ministered comfort in many a sick-room, and has won the highest commendations as a skilful and devoted nurse in our general vicinity.

There have been and are other Goulds in town; but it has been so difficult for me to trace them, with the little help received, that I must be excused from further effort.

GRADY, JAMES, ptge., ancestry, birth-date, etc., unknown to me; brought up, or at least lived long, in the family of Esek Green, Esq., and shared, I think, a portion of his estate; m. *Sarah J. Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., April 27, 1812; cer. Mil., Sept. 7, 1837, by Rev. Horace W. Morse. Issue:—

JOHN G., birth-place and date not given; m. Sarah L. Wood, Oct. 18, 1863.

ANDREW J., birthplace and date not given; m. Versalia E. Cornwell, June 6, 1870.

CASSIUS M., b. Sept. 19, 1847; d. Nov. 3, 1876.

The record handed me of this family is incomplete in several respects, and I am restricted to its imperfect data. After Esq. Green's decease, and that of his wf., Grady possessed, under some tenure, the estate; and the place was known as "Grady's Mills." Next it was called "Gaskill's Mills;" and now has the name of "Spindleville." When Grady sold out, he moved to the West; but to what locality, no one tells me, — perhaps some part of Illinois. Who can say where?

His son JOHN G. served in the 8th Regt, Ill. Cavalry some yrs. during the late civil war, and was discharged March 3, 1863. He was in all the engagements, under Generals McClellan, Burnside, Hooker, and Meade, that occurred while he was in service. His chn.:—

DELLA J., b. Nov. 27, 1865.

CLARA E., b. April 5, 1867.

DEXTER A., b. Jan. 19, 1871.

CARLTON, b. Dec. 11, 1876.

The second son, ANDREW J., and wf., have had 4 chn.; viz.,—

WILBUR J., b. June 15, 1871.

ALBERT B., b. Nov. 16, 1872.

GRACE W., b. May 16, 1874; d. Aug. 25, 1876.

MABEL E., b. April 29, 1876.

I should be glad to tell where all these Gradys were b. and the living now res., but my furnished data do not inform me. Mrs. Sarah J. Grady, wf. of James, d. some yrs. ago.

Our directories, from 1869 downwards, contain the following names of Gradys who now live or have lived in town; viz., Mathew, Michael, Anthony, David, Dennis, Maurice, and Stephen; but none of these have been ambitious enough to give me a family record for these pages.

GRAHAM, JOHN ROBERT, son of Robert and Elizabeth (Matthews) Graham, b. in Wigton Co., Scotland, Oct. 16, 1849; m. *Ellen Toomey*, dr. of Michael and Mary (Callahan) Toomey, b. Cork, Ireland, Nov. 18, 1846; cer. in Dover, Mass., April 4, 1872, by Rev. Mr. Metcalf. Issue:—

ELLEN, b. Hopedale, Dec. 12, 1873.

WILLIAM JOHN, b. Hopedale, Nov. 12, 1878.

An industrious, orderly, quiet family. They came to res. in Hopedale in April, 1872, and have demeaned themselves commendably. The late W. W. Dutcher employed Mr. Graham as his hostler and family factotum. In this

capacity he gave excellent satisfaction, and still continues in the family service.

GRAVES. A scarce name in town. The first found on our records was ARETAS; ancestry, ptge., antecedents, and subsequents not ascertained; said to be of Boston; m. *Rebecca Holbrook*, dr. of Ziba and Rebecca (Kimball) Holbrook, b. Mil., Dec. 21, 1784; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq., May 15, 1809. Issue:—

WILLIS, birth-date not found.

I have heard that this mge. took place under disagreeable circumstances, and that the parties never lived together in matrimonial life. It is useless to explain the reasons, but I cannot help guessing that Aretas was not a model lover or husband. He thenceforth disappeared from our coasts and our records.

GRAVES, WILLIS, son of Aretas and Rebecca (Holbrook) Graves, b. prob. in 1809 or 1810, proved to be a respectable man, learned the trade of a carpenter, and m., 1st, *Sally Torrey Nelson*, dr. of Newell and Betsey (Kelley) Nelson, b. Mil., June 5, 1810; cer. Holl., April 20, 1836, by Rev. John Parker. Issue:—

WILLIS, Jun., birth-date not ascertained.

Mrs. Sally d. Nov. 28, 1841; and the hus. m., 2d, a lady of Holl., whose name I have not learned. Mr. Graves removed to Cincinnati, O., acquired wealth by the rise of land which he purchased low, and was at last accounts in easy circumstances. Whether he had chn. by his 2d mge., I have not been told. He kindly cared for his mother in her old age; and she d. with him in Cincinnati, at the age of 77 yrs.

GRAVES, WILLIS, Jun., was brought up with his gd. fr. Nelson, or at least lived with him several yrs.; learned the business of a machinist; went down South just before the Rebellion; got forced into the rebel service; lost his little savings; at length escaped North; set., after the war, at St. Louis, Mo., as an overseer brickmaker; m. a good wf., has several chn., and is now handsomely circumstanced in or near that city.

GRAVES, WILLIAM, bootmaker, house Vine, near Green St., appears in our Directories of 1878 and '80. No report from him. I hear of no others bearing this name among our inhabitants.

GRIGG, JOHN, son of Thomas and Mary (Tonkin) Grigg, b. in Camwell, Eng., date not given; m. *Ellen Ball*, dr. of Henry and Betsey (Lincoln) Ball, b. Mil., 1829; cer. in Worcester, 1850. Issue:—

HENRIETTA, b. in Ohio, 1851; d. 1867.
ANNA, b. in Ohio, 1852.
EMMA, b. in Ohio, 1854.
EDMOND, b. in Ohio, 1856.
JOHN, b. in Ohio, 1857; d. 1869.
THOMAS H., b. in Ohio, 1859; d. March 21, 1864.
WILLIAM, b. in Ohio, 1861; d. March 22, 1864.
HERBERT, b. Camwell, Eng., 1863; d. Aug. 1, 1864.
MINNIE, birthplace not given, 1867.
ELLEN, birthplace not given, 1869.

This family have res. little in town, but some yrs. in Ohio, then in Eng., and latterly in Missouri. I have entered the record as returned to me. It is rather too general and vague to suit my taste, but perhaps the best the circumstances allowed.

GREEN, JOHN, pedigree untraced; m. *Lydia Linesford*, dr. of Edward Linesford of Braintree; cer. July 1, 1706. As nearly as I can judge, they dwelt

on a homestead just east of now Spindleville Pond; and prob. their domicile stood on the site, or not far from it, now occupied by the house next eastward of Spindleville Machine-Shop, — anyhow, somewhere thereabouts. Their chn. were, —

HANNAH, b. Feb. 21, 1707.
SARAH, b. March 16, 1709.
LYDIA, b. July 7, 1711; d. Oct. 9, 1739.
MARGARET, b. May 15, 1714.
JOHN, Jun., b. July 19, 1716; m. Rachel White, May 25, 1742.
MERCY, b. Aug. 18, 1718.
ESTHER, b. Jan. 22, 1721; m. Hezekiah Hayward, April 5, 1744.
RUTH, b. Feb. 28, 1723; m. Elihu Warfield, May 24, 1744.
EDWARD, b. Aug. 22, 1728.
LINESFORD, b. March 28, 1731; said to be fr. of Cleophas by Sarah Gage, 1753.

The hus. and fr. d. March 17, 1742. Death-date of Mrs. Lydia not found.

GREEN, JOHN, Jun., son of John and Lydia (Linesford) Green, b. July 19, 1716; m. *Rachel White*, dr. of Thomas and Mary (Bowditch) White, b. April 14, 1716; cer. May 25, 1742. Issue: —

LYDIA, b. March 17, 1745.
RACHEL, b. March 14, 1748; m. Caleb Wheelock, Nov. 27, 1766.

John Green, jun., dwelt, I believe, on the paternal homestead above described; but his m. life was brief. He d. about the time his youngest child was b., in 1748. Family no further traced.

GREEN, JOSHUA, wf. *Lydia Chaddock* or *Chadwick*, came from Hop., and bought of Thomas Gage a 60-ac. farm in Bear-hill dist., north of the Great Meadow, April, 1742. The Mendon record of their chn.'s births became so considerably defaced that it is impossible to make out several of their names. There were 6 of them all, —

——, b. Jan. 24, 1734, prob. in Hop.
—— a (son), b. March 14, 1736; perhaps a Joshua that d.
LYDIA (prob.), b. Sept. 2, 1737; m. Reuben Rockwood, Sept. 11, 1754.
EBENEZER, b. Oct. 17, 1739.
——NNAH, b. Feb. 13, 1741.
JOSHUA, b. April 6, 1745.

Joshua, the hus. and fr., d. April 9, 1745. Mrs. Lydia subsequently m. Samuel Rawson. Family no further traced.

There were other Greens close on our borders, in Mendon, who may be properly noticed. Among these were Benjamin and Samuel Green of No. Mendon, who were included in the easterly precinct, as mentioned in the act of incorporation. These I understand to have been fr. and son.

GREEN, BENJAMIN, pedigree not found. He m., 1st, *Margery* ——. They had, —

SAMUEL, b. May 12, 1720; m. Martha ——.
DEBORAH, b. Sept. 1, 1721; m. Edward Rawson, Oct. 19, 1747.
MARGERY, b. March 18, 1723.

Mrs. Margery d. Feb. 18, 1731; the hus. m., 2d, *Martha Adams* of Holl., Oct. 25, 1733. Issue: —

BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 11, 1734.

Benjamin, the fr., was one of the original members of our Cong. ch., at its formation, 1741. He d. in 1749, on what we of this generation have been accustomed to call the Seth Davenport place, No. Mendon.

GREEN, SAMUEL, son of Benjamin and Margery, b. May 12, 1720; m. *Martha* ——, ptge, particulars of cer., etc., not ascertained. They lived in the near vicinity of his fr., and had, —

MARY, b. Nov. 17, 1739.

ISAAC ADAMS, b. May 31, 1742; m. Hannah Pierce of Holl., 1764.

MOSES, b. June 18, 1745.

HANNAH, b. Feb. 5, 1747.

Perhaps this family moved into Upton. No further traced.

GREEN, ISAAC ADAMS[3] (Samuel,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Mendon, May 31, 1742; m. *Hannah Pierce* of Holl.; cer. April 26, 1764. Issue: —

LUTHER, b. Dec. 28, 1766.

CALVIN, b. Oct. 14, 1768; d. Feb. 4, 1776.

SAMUEL, b. Nov. 23, 1770.

MOSES, b. Dec. 10, 1772.

MARTHA, b. March 10, 1775; d. Dec. 31, 1775.

OTIS, b. Dec. 3, 1778.

PERSIS, b. Sept. 4, 1780.

GREEN, MOSES[4] (Isaac Adams,[3] Samuel,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Dec. 10, 1772; m. *Jerusha Wiswall*, dr. of Noah and Susanna (Whitney Tenney) Wiswall, b. in our Precinct, July 17, 1769; cer. June 24, 1792, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Issue: —

BETSEY, b. Nov. 22, 1792.

DASCAM, b. Feb. 5, 1794.

BENONI, b. Jan. 11, 1797.

WISWALL HUSS, b. May 5, 1800.

WILLIAM, b. Oct. 5, 1803.

This family must have emigrated; cannot trace them further.

GREEN, LEMUEL, pedigree untraced, b. May 16, 1760; m., for his 2d wf., *Sukey Torrey*, dr. of Stephen and Elizabeth (Mellen) Torrey; cer. July 8, 1790. Issue: —

LAWSON HART, b. April 18, 1791.

BETSEY MELLEN, b. Dec. 17, 1792; m., 1st, Ethan Whitney, 1810; 2d, Micah Bent, 1827.

HARRIET, b. June 30, 1796.

Mr. G. d.; Mrs. Sukey m., 2d, Joel Hill; cer. May 25, 1800.

GREEN, WILLIAM ELIJAH[6] (John,[5] Thomas,[4] Samuel,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Worcester, Jan. 31, 1777; m., 1st, *Abigail Nelson*, dr. of Josiah and Elizabeth (Thayer) Nelson, b. in our Precinct, Feb. 12, 1780; cer. Feb. 2, 1803, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue: —

WILLIAM NELSON, b. Mil., Feb. 23, 1804; m. Sarah M. (Ball) Staples, 1839.

Mrs. Abigail had a brief connubial life. She d. in Mil., May 7, 1804. The hus. m., 2d, *Lucy Merriam* of Grafton, dr. of Dea. Joseph Merriam, b. Dec. 22, 1786; cer. Oct. 7, 1806. Issue: —

LUCY MERRIAM, b. Grafton, Nov. 12, 1810; lived unm., a devoted educator.

Mrs. Lucy, the mr., d. Sept. 8, 1811. The hus. m., 3d, *Julia Plimpton*, dr. of Oliver Plimpton, b. Aug. 5, 1786; cer. May 13, 1813. Issue: —

MARY RUGGLES, b. Worcester, June 29, 1814; a devoted educator.

JULIA ELIZABETH, b. Worcester, Feb. 2, 1816; also an educator.

LYDIA PLIMPTON, b. Worcester, Aug. 4, 1817; d. Aug. 27, 1818.

JOHN PLIMPTON, b. Worcester, June 19, 1819; an eminent physician.

ANDREW HASWELL, b. Worcester, Oct. 6, 1820; lawyer and civilian.

Samuel Fiske, b. Worcester, Oct. 18, 1822; missionary physician.
Lydia Plimpton, b. Worcester, March 18, 1824; d. unm. Sept. 7, 1869.
Oliver Bourne, b. Worcester, Jan. 1, 1826; civil engineer.
Martin, b. Worcester, April 24, 1828; civil engineer.

Mrs. Julia d. Feb. 12, 1833. The hus. m., 4th, *Elizabeth Thayer Collins*, b. June 10, 1795; cer. Feb. 14, 1847. No chn. A family of distinguished talents, intelligence, and practical executiveness. The fr. grad. at Brown University in 1798, studied law with Judge Bangs of Worcester, practised a while in Grafton, and afterwards many years in Worcester. All his chn. that grew up inherited a strong mentality, were well cultured, and distinguished themselves in their chosen spheres of activity. He d. at his res., Green Hill, Worcester, July 27, 1865.

GREEN, Hon. William Nelson[7] (William E.,[6] John,[5] Thomas,[4] Samuel,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., Feb. 23, 1804; m. *Sarah M. Staples*, a wid., whose maiden name was Ball, a native of Northboro'; cer. Feb. 23, 1839. Issue: —

William Nelson, b. Worcester, Jan. 10, 1843; capt. in the civil war.
Timothy Ruggles, b. Worcester, June 22, 1844.
John } (twins), b. Worcester, July 28, 1845.
Thomas } b. Worcester, July 28, 1845.
Lucy Nelson, b. Worcester, Oct. 29, 1846; d. Aug. 16, 1847.

Judge William N. Green studied law, was admitted to the bar in Worcester, 1827, and appointed judge of the police-court of Worcester in 1848. I am not informed of his subsequent career. He d. at Crawford Farm, after a long illness, Dec. 6, 1870.

GREEN, Esek, son of Peter and Elizabeth Green, ancestry not traced, b. somewhere in Rhode Island, whence he came into this town, with his wf. *Ruth*, about the year 1803. I do not learn that they ever had any chn. of their own loins, though perhaps, first and last, several foster chn. Mr. G. purchased the water-privilege, now known as Spindleville, and the farm-lands adjacent. In 1795 this estate was taxed to Clark & Nightingale, as prob. it had been for some few yrs. before. Next it was owned by Cornell & Aldrich. Next it went into the possession of Mr. Green, in 1803. He was miller and farmer, — a man in his prime, of solid sense, character, and pecuniary means. He brought his aged parents along with him, and cared filially for them through life. He and his wf. stood well in the neighborhood for their exemplary virtues. He was much respected by his fellow-citizens, who honored him with various official trusts. He d. May 7, 1833. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., d. Sept. 9, 1850. Peter Green, his fr., d. July 8, 1828. Elizabeth Green, his mr., d. Oct. 29, 1834, a. 84 yrs.

GREEN, Sylvanus, son of John and Martha (Allen) Green, b. in Medway, Jan. 24, 1810, the long-celebrated *Cold Friday;* farmer, stage-driver, and now bootmaker; m., 1st, *Sophia (Chase) Bliss*, b. in York, Me., date not given; cer. Thompson, Ct., Oct. 16, 1842, by Vernon Stiles, Esq. No chn. She d. March 13, 1853, a. 46 yrs. and 9 mos. He m., 2d, *Ellen Connor*, dr. of William and Ellen (Callahan) Connor, b. in Cork, Ireland, 1849; cer. Sept. 17, 1854, by Esq. Robertson. Issue: —

William Farris, b. Mil., 1855; d. a. 6 mos. and 12 ds.
Martha Ann, b. Mil., April 4, 1862.
Ellen, b. Upton, Oct. 16, 1867.

Mr. G. has res. in Mil. since 1832, except 8 yrs. in Upton.

GREEN, WILLIAM C., son of Capt. William; m. *Sarah Chapin*, June 28, 1829. They kept the upper hotel here from 1833 to 1836 or 1837, and are credited with the birth of 1 child during that time: —

GEORGE FRANCIS, b. April 11, 1835. William C. was cousin to the forenamed Sylvanus. His fr. kept the public house in Mendon many yrs. They all moved into New-York State, or farther west; and I am unable to trace them further.

GREEN, WILLIAM S., son of David and Hannah (Webster) Green, b. Milton, Me., April 1, 1833; m. *Sarah Elizabeth Adams*, b. Hop., Sept. 25, 1836; cer. July 7, 1857, by Rev. Mr. Bailey. Issue: —

CORA ELNORA, b. Mil., Oct. 14, 1861.

WILLIE EVERETT, b. Mil., March 25, 1866; d. Jan. 1, 1869.

ETTA MALISSA, b. Mil., Dec. 12, 1868.

The hus. and fr. d. 872. May 14, The family res. has been mostly in Mil. since 1857. The worthy wid. struggles bravely against her adversities, and is nurturing up her chn. in the way they should go.

Other Greens have res. in town transiently, and some of influence seem now to be here permanently, whose family records I solicited, but received no response.

HALE, SILAS WEBSTER, gd. son of Charles, a soldier patriot of the Revolution, and Dorcas (Randall) Hale, who had 7 chn.; son of Silas and Mary R. Hale, b. in Stow, Sept. 13, 1842. After having fitted for college, at the age of nineteen, he bought out, and ran for one yr., a private school at Wellfleet. On graduating from Harvard University (yr. not given), he served as principal of the Sycamore and Dix St. grammar-schools in Worcester; then as principal of the Bangor (Me.) high school; and last as principal of our Milford high school, ten yrs. continuously, till June 24, 1880. Meantime he was for two yrs. commander of Mil. Commandery of Knights Templars, three yrs. chairman of the trustees of our town-library; and, as an emphatic testimonial of the public respect and confidence, he was elected, Nov. 2, 1880, 1st Representative to Gen. Court from our 2d Worcester District, comprising the towns of Mil., Mendon, and Upton. Thus he and his friends have ample reason to rejoice in this successful career, which promises a hopeful advance in the future. The Hales have an honorable historic antiquity, illustrated by Sir Matthew, one of England's noblest judges. In this country they first settled in Charlestown, whence one of three bros., in company with others, purchased of the Indians a large tract of land in what is now Stow, and opened a settlement. The original estate there has continued to be owned ever since by his lineal descendants down to the present time. Mr. Hale has not yet entered on the responsibilities of a hus. and fr., and so his record ends here.

HALE, WILLIAM BARTLETT, son of William Bartlett and Adaline (Walbridge) Hale, b. in Wales, May 31, 1845; m. *Elizabeth Safried*, dr. of John and Sarah Safried, b. Philadelphia, Penn., Feb. 25, 1842; cer. Granby Sept. 9, 1864, by Rev. Mr. Webster. Issue: —

SOPHIA S., b. Sept. 14, 1866; d. Jan. 13, 1867.

WINONA LOUISA, b. Aug. 16, 1868.

HARRY WICKEL, b. April 15, 1870; d. July 13 ensuing.

FLORENCE EDITH, b. Aug. 24, 1871.

Mr. Hale became a res. and business man of Mil. previous to 1869. He has distinguished himself as a successful tobacconist, and the lovers of the

weed find in his establishment every thing they desire. He has been at the pains of furnishing me his family record back to his gd. parents. It is as follows:—

HALE, TIMOTHY, b. in Bernardston, Feb. 18, 1777; farmer; m. *Lavina Scott*, b. Bernardston, May 16, 1784; cer. Nov. 25, 1812, by Rev. Mr. Rogers. Issue:—

CYRUS WHITNEY, b. Oct. 25, 1813; m. Maria Snow, 1849.

WILLIAM BARTLETT, b. Sept. 23, 1815; m. Adaline Walbridge, May 1, 1836.

SOPHIA SYLVIRA, b. April 7, 1818; m. Whitman Walbridge, 1841.

RANSLEY P., b. April 29, 1820; m. Laura Scott, 1844.

FRANCIS M., b. Aug. 31, 1822; m. Lydia Ann Grant, 1846.

Death-dates of the parents not given.

HALE, WILLIAM BARTLETT, Sen., son of Timothy and Lavina (Scott) Hale, b. in Bernardston, Sept. 23, 1815; m. *Adaline Walbridge*, dr. of Ames and Permilla Walbridge, b. So. Brimfield, now Wales, Sept. 16, 1816; cer. May 1, 1836, by Alfred Needham, Esq. Issue:—

SOPHIA SYLVIRA, b. May 18, 1837; m. C. A. Carpenter, March 15, 1856; d. 1866.

WILLIAM BARTLETT, Jun., b. May 31, 1845; m. Elizabeth Safried, Sept. 9, 1864.

The parents came into town about the same time their son did, and were worthy people. He d. here Nov. 1, 1878. Mrs. Adaline still survives in the kind care of her son and family.

HANCOCK, JOSEPH, and wf. *Susanna*, were among those warned out of town in 1791. They are recorded to have come from Hop., May 4, 1787, and to have been taken in by Stephen Chapin. They then had 7 chn., 2 of whom were b. here:—

JOHN, birth-date not found.

SAMUEL, b. July 6, 1776.

PHEBE, date not found.

POLLY, date not found.

FANNY, date not found.

CHARLOTTE, b. here, Sept. 1, 1787.

SENA, or ASENATH, b. Nov. 17, 1790; later, LEVINA, b. Sept. 13, 1793; d. Jan. 26, 1795; and GEORGE, b. Sept. 5, 1797. I do not seem to find on our records the death-dates of the parents, nor scarcely any trace of their chn. after 1795, except of Samuel. There is a tradition among Joseph Hancock's gd. chn., that he was impressed on board an English frigate, from which he escaped while it was lying in Boston Harbor. If so, I suppose the impressment took place in Eng., and that he was by birth an Englishman.

HANCOCK, SAMUEL MELLEN, son of Joseph and Susanna, b. July 6, 1776; m. *Submit Bruce*, dr. of Elisha and Esther Bruce, whose birth-date I do not find; cer. Mil., Feb. 23, 1806, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

EMELINE, b. Nov. 18, 1806; m. Levi Wood, May 3, 1827.

GEORGE, b. May 22, 1808; m., 1st, Laura Phinney; 2d, Parna Phinney.

ESTHER BRUCE, b. June 1, 1811; m. James M. Fletcher, March 10, 1836.

JOSEPH, b. Dec. 6, 1818; m. Lydia Ann Tyler, April 11, 1843.

The death-dates of the parents not ascertained.

HANCOCK, GEORGE, son of Samuel M. and Submit (Bruce) Hancock, b. May 22, 1808; m., 1st, *Laura Phinney*, dr. of Cyrus and Betsey Phinney, birth-date not given; cer. Mendon, May 12, 1831, by the writer. Issue:—

ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 11, 1833; m. Ammiel Littlefield, June 29, 1857.

LAURA ANN, b. Oct. 13, 1834; d. Feb. 14, 1836.

MELISSA ANN, b. June 14, 1837; d. Dec. 11, 1859.

Mrs. Laura d. March 22, 1838; and the hus. m., 2d, *Parna Phinney*, presumed to be a sister of his 1st wf.; birth-date, etc., not given; cer. in Mil., Nov. 8, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

WARREN P., b. Dec. 7, 1839; m. Sarah A. Cheney, July 25, 1869.

BETSEY, b. June 12, 1841; d. same day.

Mrs. Parna d. July 18, 1869. The hus. still survives, making his comfortable home in the family of his son Warren on the ancient Caleb Cheney place, Congress St.

HANCOCK, WARREN P., son of George and Parna (Phinney) Hancock, b. Dec. 7, 1839; m. *Sarah A. Cheney*, dr. of Ziba and Ann (Clark) Cheney, b. in Mil., Dec. 13, 1850; cer. July 25, 1869, by Rev. W. H. Hatch. Issue:—

EMELINE, b. Oct. 3, 1870.

GEORGE W., b. May 24, 1872.

All these Hancocks, from the gt. gd. parents downward, deserve, so far as I know, to be well spoken of as honest, industrious, and worthy people in their several spheres of individual and social activity.

HANCOCK, Capt. JOSEPH, son of Samuel and Submit (Bruce) Hancock, b. Mil., Dec. 6, 1818; sole-leather cutter; m. *Lydia Ann Tyler*, dr. of Daniel and Thusa (Polley) Tyler, b. Leominster, Jan. 19, 1822; cer. Hopedale, April 11, 1843, by the writer. Issue:—

EMELINE MATILDA, b. Mil., Jan. 11, 1844; d. June 4, 1851.

HENRY JOSEPH, b. Mil., Dec. 6, 1845; d. May 25, 1870.

WALDO, b. Mil., Jan. 1, 1848; m. Hannah Springer, Lincoln County, Kan., May 31, 1874.

ADA MARIA, b. Mil., Nov. 8, 1850; m. William H. Remington, Aug. 17, 1870.

JOHN, b. Mil., Nov. 29, 1852; m. Ida A. Russell, July 11, 1872.

MARY ELLA, b. Mil., Nov. 25, 1855; m. Fred M. Walker, Aug. 14, 1875.

GEORGE ELMER, b. Mil., June 19, 1861.

Grandchn. — Elsie Gertrude Hancock, Helen L. Remington, Charles Albion Hancock, Bertha Adelaide Remington, Ella Beryl Hancock, William Frederick Walker, Josephine Lydia Remington, Alvin Joseph Hancock.

An intelligent, enterprising, orderly, and respectable family. Capt. H. stands well as a citizen, and he won honorable fame in the late civil war. See "War-Record," p. 150.

HANLEY, JOHN, and wf. *Sylvia* (*Bemis*), m. by Rev. D. Long, Oct. 16, 1834, had, —

LEVI, b. June 10, 1835.

MARY ANN, b. July 18, 1837.

SARAH, b. March 30, 1839.

JAMES H. W. H., b. 1840.

And here I lose trace of this family.

HAPGOOD, SOLON E., son of Sherman W. and Abigail (Fletcher) Hapgood, b. No. Anson, Me., July 9, 1844; m. *Frances Libbey*, dr. of William M. and Olive (Pease) Libbey, b. Gardiner, Me., July 9, 1847; cer. No. Anson, Me., Dec. 23, 1869, by Rev. J. C. Williams. Issue:—

MAUDE H., b. No. Anson, Me., date not given.

Mr. H. and wf. have res. in Mil. 9 yrs. They officiate as host and hostess of the Mansion House, in the firm of Hapgood & Mayhew, with eminent satisfaction to their friends and the general public.

HARRINGTON, JEDEDIAH C., and wf. *Sophia*, whose antecedents I am unable to give, came to res. in town between 40 and 50 yrs. ago. He was a stage-proprietor, driver, and expressman several yrs. before our Branch R.R. to Framingham was built, and in the same line more or less afterwards. Mrs. Sophia, his wf., was long one of our leading milliners. I do not remember whether they had more than one child,—

ROXANA S., b. Mil., 1832; m. Ethan C. Claflin, Jan. 1, 1850.

Concerning the further history of the parents I am not informed.

HARRINGTON, SETH, and wf. *Sarah*, antecedents unknown to me, are credited with the births of the 3 following-named chn.:—

DANIEL, b. April 12, 1837.

CHARLES R., b. April 18, 1838.

LORING, b. May 27, 1842.

HARRINGTON, DANIEL, an expert stone-layer, possibly a bro. of Seth, was much employed on jobs in his calling from 1835 to 1845. He had a family in this general vicinity, of whom I knew only his dr. AMELIA. She d. in Augustus Thayer's family, Dec. 8, 1858, a. 14 yrs.

HARRINGTON, RICHARD P., son of William and Lydia (Newton) Harrington, b. Fram., Oct. 5, 1815; boot-manufacturer; m. *Melita W. Rockwood*, dr. of Pearley and Prudence (Ward) Rockwood, b. Upton, Sept. 12, 1821; cer. 1839, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Their chn.:—

PRUDENCE MELISSA, b. Mil., July 5, 1844; d. a. 7 ds.

MYRA ETHERLAND, b. Upton, Sept. 21, 1852.

Mr. H. has been actively engaged in the manufacture of boots here many yrs., either in the firm of Alden & Harrington, or on his own sole account. His bro. Bartholomew, a last-maker, and family, res. here several yrs.; but they removed hence to Worcester, I think, some time since.

HARRINGTON, SUMNER, son of Levi and Eliza; b. Oakham, Jan. 29, 1819; m. *Persis G. Gould*, dr. of John and Rebecca (Kenney) Gould, b. Guilford, Vt., June 13, 1820; cer. Oakham, May 4, 1842, by Rev. James Kimball. Issue:—

GARDNER P., b. Oakham, Feb. 6, 1845; m. in Upton, Oct. 18, 1866.

EMMA F., b. Worcester, Aug. 6, 1849; d. Upton, Aug. 1, 1864.

This worthy pair devoted a large portion of their married life, with eminent success and approbation, to the care of poor-asylums. They served as superintendent and matron of our asylum from April 1, 1869, to April 1, 1880, winning general commendation from all parties concerned. They had previously given like satisfaction in the same offices at Oakham, Worcester, Upton, and Marlboro'. But an inexorable disease fastened on Mr. H., toward the close of his 11 yrs. service in our asylum; and he was obliged to seek retirement from his responsibilities. He did so none too soon; for he declined rapidly in his new home at Upton, where he d. May 18, 1880, a. 61 yrs. 3 mos. and 20 ds.

HARRIS, NATHAN, b. Smithfield, R.I., April 13, 1805, and *Martha* (*Blood*) *Harris*, his wf., b. Charlton, April 9, 1804, were among the original members of the Community at Hopedale; and they moved into our ancient Jones domicile, from Millville, late in the yr. 1841. Thither Henry Lilley and family had preceded them some weeks earlier. These two families were our pioneers on the domain soon after its purchase. Harris and wf. brought with them 4 chn., having previously lost one by drowning. I can give the names of these 4, but not their birth-dates. They were PAMELIA, who afterwards m. Richard Rich, and soon d.; MASON, ORRIN, and JULIA.

Adin Ballou Harris was b. in the "Old House," March 27, 1842. He was the 2d b. on the Community domain after its purchase. They had 1 more child here, Edward, b. Feb. 1, 1847; d. Aug. 1, 1849, a. 2 yrs. 7 mos. They withdrew from the community organization a few yrs. after its establishment, purchased the land now owned by Delano Patrick, built them a home there, and managed business on their own account, though still affiliating with us religiously. Mr. H. was an enterprising carpenter, built several houses on contract in the neighborhood, and started a steam lumber-mill in Mil. Centre, having entered into copartnership with Hiram Hunt and Cyrus Ballou for carrying on the lumber business by purchasing and clearing off timber-lots. But he met with a sad casualty. His planing-machine knife flew from its gear, and smote off one of his arms. The catastrophe proved fatal, in spite of the best surgical skill and nursing. He lingered hopefully on a few weeks, but sunk at length, and d. May 29, 1850, a desolating event to his wid., family, and friends. I have good mementos of him. In 1854, if I mistake not, the wid. and her surviving chn. removed to Illinois, since which I am too imperfectly informed to pursue their history.

HARRIS, Mason, a brother of Nathan, wf. *Abbie S.* (*Aldrich*), and two or three chn., res. at Hopedale for a season during the early stage of the Community, and then returned to Smithfield, R.I., whence they came.

HARRIS, Almon, another brother, with wf. and small family, bought, and built a home on, the ancient Ramsdell place, where John Mann now dwells. My recollection is, that they sold out, and moved to Ill., about the time wid. Nathan Harris did.

HARRIS, Moses, and wf., with three or four chn., came into town perhaps between 1850 and 1854. He established a large furniture store, and then, or later, was in partnership with his cousin Joel W. Harris, under the firm title, "Moses Harris & Co." He at length sold out to his cousin Joel W., and removed to New York City, where he has since pursued his mercantile business. He and his family occupied a front social position. He was highly esteemed as a man and citizen. The family was repeatedly bereaved and sorely afflicted, while among us, in the loss of three chn. It would have afforded me pleasure to present his family record on these pages, but no one seemed ready to offer me the necessary information.

HARRIS, Joel W., wf. *Caroline G.*, and chn., came into town several yrs. later than his cousin Moses. My impression is, that both families were originally from the State of Me. He became his cousin's partner in business, and succeeded him as sole proprietor. I have tried hard to obtain his family record; but, though promised with some reluctance, I am disappointed, and obliged to do without it, except the little that casually came to my knowledge in other ways. They had, —

Ella; m. Edward Loring of Marlboro'; have 4 or 5 chn.; he is a lawyer, and they res. in Waltham.

George Leonard, b. in Saugus, Aug. 31, 1848; m. Mary Jane Moore, dr. of John and Ann Moore, b. Milbury, Nov. 5, 1849; cer. in Hopedale ch., Aug. 31, 1869, the groom's birthday, by the writer, assisted by Rev. G. L. Demarest. They have 1 child, Mabel, b. Mil., March 16, 1875.

Joel Irving, youngest son, is a youth whose age I am unable to give.

Mrs. Caroline, the wf. and mr., a woman greatly beloved for her many excellent qualities, d. in Mil., Feb. 6, 1872. She was deeply lamented by her

family and numerous friends. Her hus. has not since m. He does an extensive business in house-furnishing goods at 160 and 162 Main St. His family mansion occupies the site of the ancient Twitchell domicile, Congress St.; and his son George L., wf., child, and the younger son, Irving, dwell with him. Mr. Harris stands high as a merchant, citizen, and member of society.

HARRIS, Bethuel Edwin, son of Almon and Phebe (Sheldon) Harris, b. Marlow, N.H., May 18, 1829; m. *Abbie Mellen Eames*, dr. of Charles T. and Amelia (Claflin) Eames, b. Mil., Sept. 2, 1841; cer. Mil., Oct. 17, 1865, by Rev. Joseph Scott. Issue: —

Bethuel Edwin, b. Mil., Nov. 11, 1866.
Amelia Claflin, b. Mil., April 7, 1868.
Frank Sheldon, b. Mil., Nov. 19, 1871; d. July 22, 1873.
Helen, b. Mil., March 14, 1875.
Mary Capen, b. Mil., Nov. 5, 1877.

Family ancestry and standing worthy, and worthily sustained. Bethuel Harris, gd. fr. of our Bethuel E., said to be of Scottish origin, resided in Nelson, N.H., and was celebrated as a manufacturer of woollen goods. His son Almon was no less enterprising, successful, and distinguished in the same line of business, in the same New Hampshire general vicinity. He was often selectman of his town; represented it in the Legislatures of 1864 and 1865; was a member of the Cong. ch. 44 yrs., deacon, supt. of Sunday-school, etc. By his wf. Phebe (Sheldon) he had 3 sons; viz., Ezra Sheldon, Bethuel Edwin, and Almon Ainger. Bethuel E. worked in his fr.'s woollen-mills till 21 yrs. of age. He went to Boston in Aug., 1851, and was employed by the firm of Sears & Johnson in their wholesale clothing-house five yrs. He came to Mil., March 16, 1856, and has long been engaged in the clothing business with good success. He inherits the enterprise and skill of his progenitors; has a large, richly-stocked establishment; is an honorable, trustworthy dealer, and is deservedly respected as a merchant and citizen.

OTHERS OF THIS NAME IN DIRECTORIES.

HARRIS, Nelson M., bootmaker. 1856.
HARRIS, S. W., clerk. 1856.
HARRIS, B. L., res. Charles St. 1856.
HARRIS, Calvin P., proprietor Quinshepaug House. 1869.
HARRIS, Robert B., dentist. 1869.
HARRIS, Simon P., clerk, 160 Main St. 1869.
HARRIS, Dianthe, widow of S. Dexter. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
HARRIS, Mary E. M., school-teacher. 1875, '78.
HARRIS, N. A., eave-trough manufacturer. 1875, '78, '80.
HARRIS, Asahel H., machinist. 1878, '80.
HARRIS, Carrie L., teacher, South Grammar-school. 1878, '80.
HARRIS, Charles W., driver for A. S. Tuttle. 1880.

No report from any of these.

HARTWELL, Leonard, son of Jonathan and Mary Hartwell, b. Lunenburg, Aug. 25, 1795; m. *Abigail Pierce*, dr. of Joel and Lucy (Davis) Pierce, b. Rutland, May 3, 1797; cer. in Berlin, Oct. 8, 1818, by Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Thayer of Lancaster. They set. in Berlin. Their chn.: —

Harriet Moore, b. Dec. 1, 1819; m. Michael Fanning; she d. Jan. 9, 1840.
Chauncy Pierce, b. May 20, 1821; m. Mary Ann Carter.
Lucy Ann, b. Aug. 3, 1822; m. Daniel H. Carter, April 8, 1841.

George Emerson, b. March 24, 1824; m. Celia M. Clasky, April 22, 1849.
Louisa Abigail, b. July 22, 1827; m. Edward F. Green; she d. Feb. 2, 1870.
Emily Pollard, b. June 27, 1829; m. Edwin Sawyer; res. in Berlin.
Charles Henry, b. Jan. 28, 1831; m. Elizabeth Fuller.
Mary Jane, b. June 15, 1833; m. Pliny B. Southwick, Oct. 3, 1850.
Daniel Pollard, b. May 13, 1835; m., 1st, Susan Moore; 2d, Ellen Wheeler.

An eminently worthy family. The parents and several of the family became deeply interested in the preaching of Practical Christianity by the writer and others. These moved to Hopedale, and joined our Community; viz., the parents and two drs. with their husbands. The fr. and mr. came here, I think, in 1854, and returned to Berlin perhaps in 1861. They were excellent persons, and adorned their profession by exemplary lives. Mr. Hartwell d. in Berlin, June 11, 1870; Mrs. Hartwell d. Nov. 21, 1877; and it was my privilege to minister at their respective funerals. In respect to their drs. once resident here, see under the names Carter and Southwick.

HARTWELL, William Henry, son of Joseph and Lydia B. (Parker) Hartwell, b. in Salem, Feb. 22, 1845; m. *Julia W. Allen*, dr. of John T. and Mary Allen, b. Columbia, Me., May 14, 1842; cer. Salem, July 23, 1868, by Rev. S. E. Chase. Issue: —

Willie Lincoln, b. Somerville, Aug. 21, 1869; d. Sept. 11, 1870.
Allen Augustus, b. Somerville, Dec. 30, 1870.
Henry Reynolds, b. Somerville, Nov. 23, 1872.
Frank Foster, b. Cambridge, Sept. 6, 1874.
May, b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1876.

Mr. Hartwell is an executive clerk and meat distributor in the employment of George F. Birch, provisionist, 108 Main St. His name appears first in our Directory for 1878.

HARTWELL, Joseph Warren, bro. of the preceding, b. in Salem, Sept. 15, 1840; m. *Hannah Bird* of Salem. No family record received from him. The Directory for 1880 gives his name, occupation, and res. He is a machinist; house 2 Prospect St. His name appears first in our Directory for 1872. He has resided here much longer than his bro. William H., and prob. has chn.; but their names and birth-dates are not at my command.

HASTINGS, Enoch P., and wf. *Maria*, are credited with one birth; viz., —

Ruby Anna, b. Aug. 1, 1840; m. Edwin Sumner, May 18, 1859.

I have received no family record in this case, and am unable to give further information.

HASTINGS, Alfred H., son of Robert and Joanna Hastings, b. in Mendon, 1813; m. *Fidelia Cook*, dr. of Clark and Abigail Cook, b. Mendon, 1821; cer. in Mendon, July 9, 1845, by the writer. Issue: —

William Soden, birth-date not found; m. Lorette Amelia Howard, June 15, 1873.
George Edgar, birth-date not found; m. Medora E. Sumner, Nov. 26, 1871.
Ida Jeanette, b. Nov. 8, 1853.
Edwin C., b. Aug. 12, 1856.
Irving Ellsworth, b. June 23, 1862.

I am uncertain whether William S. and George Edgar are in the order of their birth. Mr. H., the hus. and fr., was by occupation a baker, and, as our citizens well remember, was for many yrs. in copartnership with Stephen Mathewson. He was an enterprising, executive business man, square and upright in his dealings, and a worthy citizen. His whole family were of repu-

table standing. He d. Jan. 9, 1873. Since then his worthy wid. and chn. have, I believe, all left town for other localities, nearer or more distant.

A few others of this name have res. here for longer or shorter periods, but I cannot speak of them specifically.

HATCH, GEORGE ORAMEL[6] (Daniel,[5] William,[4] Thomas,[3] Samuel,[2] John,[1] supposed to have come from Devonshire, Eng.), b. Oct. 16, 1823; m. *Sarah Jane Farnum*, dr. of Rufus G. and Lydia M. (Davis) Farnum, b. in Chester, N.H., Aug. 11, 1831; cer. in Lowell, June 6, 1850, by Rev. Mr. Hanks. They came to Hopedale in Dec., 1853, and were admitted members of the Hopedale Community; he, Nov. 1, 1854, and she, Jan. 9, 1856. They have res. in Hopedale, with one or two temporary exceptions, most of the time since 1853, being always held in high estimation for their intelligence and exemplary virtues. They have had no chn.

HATCH, DANIEL[5] (William,[4] Thomas,[3] Samuel,[2] John[1]), res. several yrs. at Hopedale, but d. in Sharon, Sept. 24, 1872. He was b. in Milton, N.H., Aug. 26, 1800. He m. *Fidelia Mead*, dr. of David and Esther E. (Bundy) Mead, b. in Walpole, N.H.; cer. Walpole, N.H., Aug. 4, 1822, by Rev. Pliny Dickinson. Their chn.: —

GEORGE ORAMEL, b. Walpole, N.H., Oct. 16, 1823; m. Sarah Jane Farnum, June 6, 1850.

MARY E., b. Milton, N.H., Aug. 8, 1825; d. Oct. 10, 1826.

LYDIA S., b. Milton, N.H., Sept. 26, 1827; d. Oct. 21, 1841, Portsmouth, N.H.

DAVID W., b. Milton, N.H., Nov. 5, 1829; m. Sophia Emery, Stratham, N.H.

ELIZABETH H., b. Milton, N.H., Sept. 28, 1831; m. George M. Jencks, Blackstone, Mass.

SARAH F., b. Milton, N.H., Feb. 28, 1834; m. William O. Foster, Portsmouth, N.H.

CHARLES R., b. Portsmouth, N.H., Feb. 28, 1836; m. Lucy Maxwell, Portsmouth, N.H.

DANIEL A., b. Portsmouth, N.H., May 18, 1838; m. Augusta Abbott, So. Berwick, Me.

LUCY W., b. Portsmouth, N.H., May 28, 1840; m. Edward W. Chandler in Lynn.

WALTON V. M., b. Portsmouth, N.H., Jan. 21, 1843; d. in Govt. service, May 5, 1862.

JOSEPH T., b. Portsmouth, N.H., July 30, 1845; res. Hopedale; d. Sept. 20, 1880.

GEORGIANA F., b. Portsmouth, N.H., Oct. 10, 1848; m. Frank Robbins, Me.

Daniel A. Hatch was in North Carolina when the war of the Rebellion broke out. He came home, enlisted for 3 yrs. in Regt. 2, Co. C (see "War-Record"), fought at Gettysburg, got. wounded in 3 places, and barely survived. He was dis. April 1, 1864, for disability. He now res. in South Berwick, Me.

Walton V. M. enlisted early in the war in the 5th N. H. Regt., fought in Bat. of Wilderness, became sick of fever, d. on a Govt. transport, and was buried in Va. His mr. now draws a pension on his acct. She and her son Joseph res. at Hopedale with George O. Hatch and family. Joseph d. Sept. 20, 1880.

HATCH, WILLIAM L. F., pedigree not ascertained; m., 1st, *Althira Albee*, dr. of Admiral and Althira (Balcom) Albee, b. Mil., June 8, 1817; cer. at Hopedale, May 22, 1843, by the writer. She d. the next yr.; and the hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Maria Gay*, dr. of Jason and Betsey (Barber) Gay, b. Mil., Dec.

20, 1826; cer. Nov. 10, 1846. Issue, if any, unknown to me. Mr. Hatch was a bootmaker by occupation. He d. between 1869 and 1872. His wid. survives, and res. in town. Having received no help from the family relatives, this notice is necessarily imperfect.

HATCH, Seth Robinson, son of Timothy and Mary B. (Robinson) Hatch, b. in Falmouth, Aug. 5, 1836; m. *Juliette Bates*, dr. of Joshua and Priscilla (Record) Bates, b. in Mattapoisett, May, 1835; cer. in New Bedford, Nov. 24, 1864, by Rev. B. S. Batcheldor. Issue:—

Charles Robinson, b. Mil., Feb. 24, 1878.

Mr. Hatch is an intelligent artist, a skilful photographer, and a worthy man, with a wf. of like character. They have res. in town some 16 yrs. He has recently suspended his operations here as a photographer.

HATCH, Rhodolpho, bootmaker, was several yrs. in town; but I know nothing of his pedigree or family.

HAVEN. Moses Haven and wf. *Abigail* appear on the records of our Cong. ch. as having such a relationship to the same; that they had 2 chn. bap. here; viz., John, July 24, 1757, and Mary, April 20, 1760. I presume they never res. on our territory. Those records credit Daniel Haven with a son bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz., Asa, Sept. 5, 1762; but nothing is said about res.

Luther Haven was our first citizen of this name. He first appears on our tax-list in 1801. His homestead, previously Dr. Lazarus Ball's, is situated on Haven St., far up the No. Purchase toward Hop. line. He prob. became possessed of it in 1801 or thereabouts. It is the same now owned by his son Isaac C. Haven. These Havens are descendants of Richard Haven, who is said to have come from the west of Eng., and set. in Lynn in 1644. I therefore assume the said Richard to have been their immigrant ancestor, and state their lineage accordingly.

HAVEN, Luther[5] (Isaac,[4] Moses,[3] Moses,[2] Richard[1]), b. in Framingham, Nov. 8, 1763; farmer; m. *Sarah Coolidge* of Sherborn, Feb. 25, 1769; date of mge., etc., not given. Issue:—

Isaac Coolidge, b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1803; m. Hannah Morse, Nov. 29, 1838.

Willard, b. Mil., April 5, 1805; m. Sally Dean, Nov. 18, 1838.

The homestead of Mr. Haven was a portion of the lands bought of William Brown in 1742 by Josiah and Peter Ball. I think it was a part of Peter's division. But he sold out to Josiah, his bro., who willed it to his son, Dr. Lazarus Ball, from whom it passed, directly or indirectly, into Haven's possession. I knew Mr. H. personally. He always seemed and was spoken of as a very worthy man in all the relations of life, and his family sustained the same good reputation. Mr. H. held various town-offices during his citizenship among us, and won deserved public confidence. He d. in peace on his homestead, March 23, 1835. His worthy wid. d. Feb. 1, 1855.

HAVEN, Isaac Coolidge[6] (Luther,[5] Isaac,[4] Moses,[3] Moses,[2] Richard[1]), b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1803; farmer; m. *Hannah Morse*, dr. of Joseph and Rhoda (Bragg) Morse, b. in Brookfield, Vt., Feb. 18, 1813; cer. Mil., Nov. 29, 1838, by Rev. David Long. Issue:—

Sarah Coolidge, b. Mil., Sept. 19, 1841.

Elmon } (twins), b. Mil., April 7, 1844; d. July 23 ensuing.
Ellen } b. Mil., April 7, 1844; m. Albert J. Morse of Vt.

Henry Franklin, b. Mil., May 3, 1846; m. Anna Josephine Claflin, June 14, 1871.

Grave, orderly, upright people. Inherited, in part or wholly, the paternal

homestead in No. Purchase. Mrs. Hannah d. Feb. 1, 1865. Mr. H. survives at this writing, in his 79th yr.

Grandchn. : —

LILLA M. MORSE, b. May 17, 1867.

LAURA E. MORSE, b. June 19, 1870.

NETTIE MORSE, b. 1875; d. April 12, 1879.

HERBERT HAVEN, b. Sept. 13, 1873.

JESSIE HAVEN, b. June 30, 1879; d. Sept. 22 ensuing.

Albert J. Morse, the son-in-law, farmer, and family now res. 29 So. Main St. Henry Franklin, the only son, is employed at the freight-depot of the Milford and Woonsocket R.R.; res. South Main St., near steamer-house.

HAVEN, WILLARD [6] (Luther,[5] Isaac,[4] Moses,[3] Moses,[2] Richard[1]), b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1805; m. *Sally Dean*, dr. of Abel and Mehetabel Dean, b. in Taunton, March 2, 1816; cer. in Mendon, Nov. 18, 1838, by the writer. Issue: —

LUTHER D., b. in Mil., Dec. 16, 1839; m. Anna E. Gamage, Feb. 17, 1863.

Willard Haven had his homestead on Purchase, above Haven, St.; and a promising future seemed to be before him and his family; but death unexpectedly closed his career in the prime of middle age. He d. Aug. 8, 1852. Their only son, Luther D., had a still briefer lease of life. He m., as above, d. Dec. 1, 1867, and left a little dr., Effie, who d. Oct. 7, 1868, in her 2d yr. Thus great, frequent, and sweeping afflictions befell this family. Mrs. Sally subsequently m. Richmond Stone, Sept. 29, 1861. See Stone.

HAVEN, WILLIAM P., ptge. and ancestry not given; b. in Framingham, Aug. 8, 1815; m. Hopestill (Parkhurst) Perry, dr. of Amasa and Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Nov., 1811, and wid. of Maj. Cooledge Perry; cer. in Mendon, April 11, 1839, by the writer. Issue: —

ELLEN FRANCES, b. Jan. 30, 1840; m. Henry W. Bragg.

LOUISA P., b. Jan. 1, 1843; m. John Green.

A family over which many dark waves of affliction, bereavement, and sorrow have rolled. Mr. and Mrs. Haven still survive, and dwell at 18 School St.

HAWES, CHARLES [4] (Elisha,[3] Samuel,[2] Daniel of Dedham[1]), b. in West Wrentham, April 5, 1802; mr.'s maiden name Margaret Hayden; m. *Susan Guild*, dr. of John and Lois (Rounds) Guild, b. Franklin, Oct. 13, 1806; date and particulars of ceremony not given. Their chn.: —

LOUISA J., b. W. Wrentham, Feb. 25, 1833; m. Darius B. Jenks, Nov. 18, 1861.

ALBERT E., b. W. Wrentham, June 10, 1843; m. Helen A. Brown; 3 chn.

FREDERICK WARE, b. W. Wrentham, Dec. 13, 1847; m. Sarah Adams.

Mrs. Susan d. W. Wrentham, July 8, 1872. Mr. H. survives unm., well advanced in yrs. He may hardly be called a citizen of Mil.; but as all his chn. are permanent inhabitants here, and he spends much of his time with them, it seemed proper to give his family record a place in this vol. He parted with an excellent wf., as above, is himself an exemplar of prudent life, and has brought up worthy chn. His sons ought to have sent me their respective records, as I tried to have them; and then this now incomplete statement would have shown to better advantage.

I know of no others bearing this name in town; but the reader will notice, under the name Holbrook, that Mrs. Roxana, wf. of Joel Holbrook, was a sister of Charles Hawes. Also, under the name Claflin, that Mrs. Samuel S., on School St., is a dr. of Malansa (Hawes) Thompson, who was another sister of uncle Charles.

HAYDEN, LUTHER, son of Luther and Betsey (Austin) Hayden, b. in Groton, April 14, 1818; m. *Mary Elizabeth Rand*, dr. of Aaron and Polly (Laman) Rand, b. Waterville, Me., April 24, 1822; cer. Dedham, Nov. 22, 1846, by Rev. John White. Issue: —

LEWIS, b. Saxonville, March 15, 1849.

Mr. Hayden and family came to res. in Mil. about the 1st of April, 1850, since which they have been steadily engaged in honest and laudable pursuits. Mr. H. has latterly been serving as watchman in the straw-goods manufactory of Benjamin H. Spaulding & Co. Their only son, Lewis Hayden, Esq., has been with George G. Parker, Esq., in his law-office, since Nov., 1872. In June, 1874, he was commissioned, by Gov. Talbot, as justice of the peace. In March, 1881, he was elected town-clerk, in which responsible position he has since been actively officiating to the general satisfaction.

The Haydens were somewhat numerous, from early times, in Hop.; and thence more or less of them have at different periods become dwellers on our territory. CATE HAYDEN, and her drs., CATE and LUCY, came to live with Edmund Bowker, March 27, 1787, and were warned out of town in 1791. At the same time, GILBERT HAYDEN lived with David Stearns, and was warned out. Several of our citizens m. Haydens for wives.

A FEW OTHER HAYDENS MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

HAYDEN, STEPHEN, and
HAYDEN, WILLIAM, painter. 1856.
HAYDEN, STEPHEN A., bootmaker. 1869.
HAYDEN, MARY J., wid. of Stephen A. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
HAYDEN, Miss CARRIE, milliner and dressmaker. 1880.

HAYWARD — HOWARD. These are somewhat interchangeable names, of the same origin, and capriciously varied by the spelling. They are a compound of two words: the French word *haie*, hedge, and the Saxon *waurd*, a watchman, guard, or keeper. The old royal and noble families of Europe had officers whose duty it was to keep watch over, superintend, and keep in repair, the hedges that protected from cattle and other intruders their masters' grain-fields, grass-grounds, and gardens. Those offices were styled *haie-waurds*, or, as the Danish descendants wrote it, *hoe-waurds*. Hence *Haie*ward and *Hoe*ward, — Hayward and Howard. It seems that the Howards of England were among its ancient nobles, as Pope implies, where he says, —

> "What can ennoble sots, or slaves, or cowards?
> Alas! not all the blood of all the HOWARDS."

The office of *haiewaurd* was undoubtedly one of great honor in feudal times, especially in connection with the households of royal families. The name was, and I presume still is, quite common in Eng.; as it has come to be in this country. And from time immemorial it has been ordinarily pronounced with a diphthongal sound variously broad as in *aw*, up to the more open and flat *ow*, as in *now*. The written orthography, as of many other names, has been according to each old scribe's fancy. At one time Haw-ard, at another How-ard, at another Haie-ward, then Hayward, etc. And whenever any head of a family took a notion to change the spelling from Haward or Hayward, to Howard, he did so; and his posterity followed suit. This has been the case in Mil., since the beginning of the present century, in several instances. The ancestral name was Hayward; but, since the orthographical change was made, whole lineages have

become Howards in all our records. This mixes things up so badly, that my only course must be to treat the names as synonymous, and run them along as they occur.

As nearly as I can trace them, our Haywards and Howards all descended from three brothers who came from Swanzey. Their ancestors were of Bridgewater; but farther back I had not the means of going without too much cost and trouble.* The oldest of these bros. was Samuel Hayward. He planted himself in the town-seat of Mendon, by purchasing of Mrs. Mary Tapping and her son John a 20-ac. house-lot, with all its rights to future divisions of common. The deed is dated April 6, 1672. At the same time, he was already seised of a 20-ac. lot, as an original Mendon proprietor. This made him a 40-ac. lot owner, and of course entitled him to very large dividends of the common lands. Large tracts of these he had laid out to him on our territory, to the amount of between 500 and 1,000 acs. Most of this land lay in one general body, extending from Sherborn road, opposite the present Mansion House, easterly of Joseph Sumner's estate, all the way down southerly to the "Upper Mill Plain," then so called; that is, as far south as where Plain St. forks off from So. Main St. In width this tract must have been between one-third and half a mile wide, extending to the river eastward, and in places over the river. Elsewhere he took up numerous smaller parcels.

The next oldest bro. was William Hayward. In 1700 and 1701 he, then being of Swanzey, bought several hundred acres of the Rawson land in No. Bellingham, adjacent to our territory. Some 3,000 acs. of land were granted to Secretary Rawson, the first Edward, by Gen. Court, in consideration of his unrequited public services. He extinguished the Indian title to this tract, and took a deed. It was annexed to Mendon for government, and so remained till 1719, when it was made a part of Bellingham. The land William Hayward bought was a part of this Rawson tract, or "Farm" as then called. At the same time, Thomas Sanford of Swanzey and Thomas Burch of Bristol made large purchases, side by side with Hayward, of this Rawson land. It soon got the title of "The Farms," being then owned in a few large farms. There William Hayward settled himself and his chn. Of course, being closely connected with our territory geographically and municipally, the cousins naturally commingled. I observed that in the Rawson deeds to William his name was written in one instance *Howard*, but wherever else it occurred *Hayward*.

The youngest of these bros. was Jonathan Hayward. He came into this quarter while yet under age, and res. with Samuel Thayer, as appears from the following recorded entry: "Samuel Thayer gave Bond [Jan. 28, 1692] for Jonathan Hayward of Swanzey, resident with him." The bond was to hold the town harmless from cost for Hayward's maintenance. "Jan. 3, 1707, there was laid out, of Samuel Hayward's fifth division, twelve acres, to his *Brother Jonathan Hayward*, on both sides of Sherborn road East of Bear Hill." Jonathan settled north-east of Bear Hill, near the "Great Meadow," so called, and there became a comparatively rich man.

I must now endeavor to trace the lineages of these three patriarchs, at least so far as Milford is concerned. This is rendered somewhat difficult by

* Since the foregoing was written, I have had the pleasure of an interview with Hon. Alphonso Taft, who, on one side of his ancestry, inherits the blood and traditions of these Haywards. It has been handed down to him, that the parents of the first Samuel in Mendon were William and Margery (Thayer) Hayward of Braintree. Perhaps this was so. But, if so, William and Jonathan certainly hailed from Swanzey at the dates by me specified in this connection.

the number of Williams, Jonathans, Johns, and Samuels, who lived contemporaneously. But I will endeavor to distinguish them as well as I can.

HAYWARD, SAMUEL,[1] of Mendon, by wf. *Mehetabel*, had, —

WILLIAM, birth-date not found; m. Priscilla Marsh, May 6, 1708.
MEHETABEL, birth-date not found; 2d wf. Nicholas Cook.*
MARY, birth-date not found; m. Joseph Rockwood, 1688 or 1689.
HULDAH, birth-date not found; m. —— Butterworth.
MARGERY, birth-date not found; m. Jacob Aldrich.
SARAH, birth-date not found; m. Benjamin Thayer, Dec. 20, 1712.
HANNAH, b. Aug. 18, 1680; m. Peter Aldrich.
DEBORAH, b. Nov. 9, 1682; m. Seth Aldrich.
SAMUEL, Jun., b. Feb. 7, 1683; d. unm., May 16, 1708, a. 24 yrs.
JONATHAN, b. Oct. 10, 1686; m. Elizabeth Warfield, about 1706 or 1707.
EXPERIENCE, b. March 1, 1688; untraced.
BENJAMIN, b. Feb. 14, 1689; m. Anna ——, about 1711 or 1712.
BETHIAH, birth-date not found; untraced.

I think William, the eldest son, never dwelt on our territory, but in old Mendon always. Samuel, jun., intended permanent settlement here; and his father deeded him a handsome farm in what has sometimes been called Howardtown, dated Jan. 3, 1706: but he d. May 16, 1708, a bachelor; and his bro. Jonathan set. his est. as administrator. This Jonathan, next oldest son of Samuel and Mehetabel, inherited an ample amount of his father's lands in Howardtown, and became the progenitor of a numerous posterity. Benjamin, the youngest son, as I understand the records, also located near our Parish Centre, a little to the south-east; though my friend, the late Alex. H. Allen, whom I employed to do much transcribing as well as research for me, doubted his ever actually dwelling here. Samuel, the fr., d. July 29, 1713; and his eldest son, William, administered on his est. I will run his lineage down to the present time, so far as Mil. is concerned.

HAYWARD, JONATHAN[2] (Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 10, 1686; m., 1st, *Elizabeth Warfield*, dr. of Dea. Job and Hannah (Randall) Warfield, b. Mendon, March 8, 1688. Date and particulars of cer. not found. Their chn.: —

ELIZABETH, b. March 10, 1707; m. Benjamin Thurston; she d. Feb. 11, 1768.
HESTER, or ESTHER, b. March 30, 1710; m. Obadiah Wood, 1730; she d. March, 1799.
SARAH, b. March 12, 1711; m. —— Thompson; she d. Dec. 5, 1799.
SAMUEL, b. June 9, 1714; m. Alice ——.
JONATHAN, Jun., b. Dec. 29, 1716; m. Mary Warfield, July 12, 1738.
JOHN, b. Dec. 11, 1718; m. Trial Hayward, April 3, 1740.
DAVID, b. Nov. 7, 1721; m. Joanna Wilson, Bell., March 20, 1751.
MARY, b. Sept. 1, 1722; d. in early infancy.
DANIEL, b. June 29, 1723; m. Martha ——; he d. May 29, 1798.
MARY, b. Dec. 13, 1729; m. Joshua Chapin, March 20, 1750–51.
MARTHA, b. Sept. 29, 1731; untraced.

I understand the mr. of these 11 chn. to have been Elizabeth (Warfield). After her death in 1736, he is said to have m. a 2d wf.; but I cannot find whom or when: no chn. This Jonathan Hayward was sometimes designated as Jonathan 2d, to distinguish him from his uncle and a cousin of the same given name. He dwelt in the centre or near vicinity of Howardtown, and had considerable common land laid out to him by Mendon proprietors. He was not

* She was the wid. of Abraham Staples when m. to Cook.

much of a public man, but yet a solid and respected citizen. If I have kept the correct run of lineages, names, and dates, his wf., Mrs. Elizabeth, d. Aug. 28, 1736. I suppose he then next m. the alleged 2d wf. After her death, he m., 3d, *Sarah Sprague* of Mendon, Aug. 14, 1753. He d. July 14, 1760, a. 76 yrs., leaving the wid. Sarah, who bore him no chn. His est. was set. by his son Samuel. His wid. m. Nathaniel Morse, Sept. 9, 1762; cer. by Rev. A. Frost.

HAYWARD, Capt. SAMUEL[3] (Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 9, 1714; blacksmith; m. *Alice* ——, whose pedigree I have been unable to learn, or any particulars of the mge. cer. Their chn.: —

WARFIELD, b. Feb. 2, 1738; m. Lydia Thayer, Bell., April 23, 1761.
JESSE, b. Jan. 25, 1742; m. Hannah Albee, Sept. 26, 1764.
LUCY, b. Feb. 9, 1744; mother of Nathaniel Corbett, out of wedlock.
EBENEZER, b. March 2, 1747; d. March 23, 1757.
ALICE, b. Sept. 15, 1748; m. Asa Albee, Dec. 25, 1777.
ABIJAH, b. Sept. 21, 1754; d. March 13, 1757.
MARTHA, birth-date not found; d. March 28, 1757; and her 3 chn. same month.

Capt. Samuel dwelt near where Hollis Howard now lives. He had a goodly heritage, and added several parcels of land out of common and by purchase. He was a man of ability and influence among his fellow-citizens. He held various offices in precinct and town. Mrs. Alice, his wf., is said to have been a very capable woman. He d. April 2, 1768; and she administered on his est. She survived him many yrs., and left an interesting will, dated 1785. I have not her exact death-date, but prob. it could not have been long after 1785.

HAYWARD, JONATHAN, Jun.[3] (Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Dec. 29, 1716; m. *Mary Warfield*, dr. of Elihu and Mary Warfield, b. Nov. 7, 1715; cer. July 12, 1738. Their chn.: —

ELIHU, b. April 30, 1739; m., 1st, Sarah Hiscock, June 21, 1758; 2d, Trial Hayward.
JOANNA, b. Aug. 14, 1741; untraced.
DAVID, b. Oct. 27, 1743; untraced.
MARY, b. Nov. 6, 1745; death-date not given.
JONATHAN, b. Feb. 20, 1747; d. in infancy.
JONATHAN, b. March 13, 1749; d. young.
SARAH, b. May 3, 1751; untraced.
JONATHAN, b. March 12, 1757; m. Mary Ballard, Dec. 21, 1780.

This Jonathan Hayward, jun., resided in the near vicinity of what I have called Howardtown, — somewhat northerly, perhaps. He was a conspicuous man in the Precinct for several yrs. after its organization; often presiding at its regular meetings, and serving on its executive committee. (Some doubts arose in my mind, after penning the last preceding sentence. See what I say, farther along, about the Beaver-st. Jonathan Hayward, jun.)

I find myself puzzled to trace the parental heads of this family down to the close of their mortal lives, and must leave the matter to more competent explorers.

HAYWARD, JOHN[3] (Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Dec. 11, 1718; m., 1st, *Trial Hayward*, dr. of Jonathan Hayward 3d and Lydia (Albee) his wf., b. April 25, 1717; cer. April 3, 1740. Their chn.: —

JONATHAN, b. April 12, 1746; prob. d. young, but I am not certain.
JOHN, Jun., b. Jan. 25, 1748; prob. d. young.

Mrs. Trial is said to have d., date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, *Margaret Albee*, April 4, 1751; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. It is not apparent, from any records

that have reached my eye, who this Margaret Albee was. Possibly she may have been an unrecorded dr. of James[3] and Mary (Thayer) his wf.; but I have no proof of it, and nothing to suggest it but the date and family name. Their chn. were, —

Trial, b. April 21, 1752; m. Elihu Hayward, July 23, 1789; set. Northbridge.
Margaret, b. 1754; m. Capt. Samuel Cobb, Feb. 15, 1804.
John, b. June 23, 1757; d. in infancy.
John, b. May 6, 1760; untraced.
Sarah, b. June 29, 1763; untraced.
Amos, b. Oct. 2, 1769; m., 1st, Lucy Hayward, July 5, 1792; 2d, Rebecca Whitney, 1797.

This John Hayward[3] m., for his 1st wf., a second cousin, a gd. dr. of his gd. fr.'s youngest bro., Jonathan Hayward 1st; so these two lineages interlocked. He set. on the east side of Bear Hill, in the immediate neighborhood of the first Jonathan's descendants. I have found nothing more perplexing than these Hayward lineages, with so many Samuels, Jonathans, Johns, and Williams; and if I cannot disentangle them correctly, I hope to be excused. This John Hayward d. June 20, 1794, a. 75 yrs. and 6 mos. Mrs. Margaret, his wid., d. Sept. 23, 1813, a. 88 yrs.

HAYWARD, David[3] (Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Nov. 7, 1721; m. *Joanna Wilson*, b. Bell., Aug. 20, 1721; cer. March 20, 1751; further particulars not found. Issue: —

Ephraim, b. Sept. 15, 1752; m. Sarah Wedge, Dec. 3, 1787.

It does not appear that David and Joanna Hayward ever had any other offspring than this Ephraim. They dwelt on the west side of now Plain St., just south of where Mill St. forks off from Plain. See Abandoned Home-sites, No. 18, Chap. XV. Jonathan Hayward, father of David, owned a considerable tract of land west of Plain St. and south-west of Mill St.; and on this tract, or a part of it, he settled David. David d. July 11, 1801. Mrs. Joanna, his wid., d. June 23, 1803.

HAYWARD, Daniel[3] (Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Martha* ——; ptge., birth-date, etc., not found. Their chn.: —

Daniel, Jun., b. Feb. 10, 1750; m. Eleanor or Ellen Davis, July 23, 1766.
Elizabeth, b. Aug. 12, 1752; m. Jonathan Thayer, Jan. 22, 1778.
Abijah, b. March 15, 1760; d. Sept. 30, 1761.
Adam, b. Oct. 3, 1762; m. Judith Ballard, April 18, 1782.

I do not seem to get hold of any facts or indications that enable me to speak more definitely of this Daniel Hayward. He appears to have been the youngest son of Jonathan 2d. I doubt if he had a homestead on our territory. If he had, I cannot locate him. He d. May 29, 1798, a. 74 yrs. and 11 mos. Mrs. Martha, his wid., d. July 4, 1807, a. 84 yrs.

HAYWARD, Benjamin[2] (Samuel[1]), b. Feb. 14, 1689; m. *Annah* or *Hannah* ——, 1711 or 1712; no particulars further traced. Issue: —

Benjamin, Jun., b. Aug. 23, 1713; m. Mary Wheaton, Feb. 13, 1735.
Dependence, b. May 18, 1715; no further traced.
Thomas, birth-date not found; m. Elizabeth —— about 1746.
Annah, b. Feb. 20, 1725; untraced.
Ruth, b. Aug. 26, 1728; m. Stephen Fish, Uxbridge, March 10, 1757.
Huldah, b. Oct. 4, 1733; untraced.

This Benjamin was the youngest son of Samuel, the Mendon patriarch. In the yr. 1708 his fr., in consideration of a moderate annuity, deeded him a

large farm situated on "both sides of Second Bridge River" (Charles). This included a considerable northerly section of the lands his fr. had taken up out of common, extending from opposite the present Mansion House down through Howardtown to the border of So. Milford district. He dwelt at what for the last 50 yrs. has been known as the Nathan Wood place. He was one of the original members of the Cong. ch. formed here in 1741.

I get no clew to the death-dates of the parents.

HAYWARD, BENJAMIN, Jun.[3] (Benjamin,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 23, 1713; m. *Mary Wheaton*, dr. of Samuel and Mary (Rockwood) Wheaton, b. Oct. 23, 1718; cer. Feb. 13, 1735. Their chn.:—

BENJAMIN, b. Sept. 10, 1740.

RALPH, bap. Nov. 15, 1741; m. Susanna Thayer, Dec. 29, 1768.

SETH, bap. Feb. 12, 1743; d. soon.

SETH, bap. April 7, 1745; m. Mercy Whitman, 1768.

EXPERIENCE, b. date not found, perhaps 1738; m. Obadiah Wood, Nov. 22, 1759.

I have put Experience last, because I found no birth-date for her, and only discovered that she ought to stand first on ascertaining and considering the date of her mge. This Benjamin, jun., dwelt on his inherited homestead, the Nathan Wood place. He also was an original member of our Cong. ch. formed in 1741. His fr. and himself, one or both, had diminished their patrimony somewhat by successive sales at the north end, near the old meeting-house common; and in 1760, the next yr. after his dr. Experience's mge., he sold the southerly portion of his farm to her hus., Obadiah Wood, together with the westerly half of his dwelling-house. And I presume that Wood presently took up his abode on the premises. Whether this Benjamin was m. to a 2d wf., I do not understand. No d. of a wf. found. He d. Oct. 29, 1783.

HAYWARD, THOMAS[3] (Benjamin,[2] Samuel[1]), birth-date not found; by wf. Elizabeth had,—

STEPHEN, b. Jan. 2, 1747.

ANNA, b. Nov. 24, 1750; m. Samuel Hill, July 4, 1777.

ELEAZER, b. March 7, 1753.

THOMAS, b. Jan. 6, 1755.

Thomas[3] inherited the south-easterly part of his fr.'s farm, and dwelt for a time not far from where William Wilkinson now does; but he sold his place about 1755 to Capt. Samuel Hayward, and emigrated to some other locality,—whither I cannot trace his family.

HAYWARD, SETH[3] (Benjamin,[2] Samuel[1]), bap. April 7, 1745; m. *Mercy Whitman*, 1768; the bride said to be of Mendon. They had:—

AMOS, b. Jan. 15, 1770.

NAHOR, b. Jan. 10, 1771.

OTIS, b. Jan. 31, 1773.

OLIVER, b. Nov. 14, 1774.

I am unable to locate, or give the history of, this family.

Just after my interview with Hon. Alphonso Taft, referred to in my preceding foot-note, he kindly sent me a sketch of the Hayward genealogy as handed down to him through his fr. In some particulars it agrees with the foregoing tabulations, but in others differs irreconcilably. I thought it impracticable to reconstruct my arrangement of lineages and data on the basis of his sketch, as there were important points on which I should have to set aside what seem to be reliable records. He makes the first Benjamin Hayward on

our territory to have been the son of William Hayward, eldest son of the first Mendon Samuel, and not the youngest son of that Samuel, as I am obliged to consider him. But it seems to me that the old records sustain my conclusion rather than his; so I must leave others to investigate the matter, and judge. I am sensible of my incompetency to master the difficulties involved in this and other similar cases. In respect to the family of Benjamin Hayward, jun., I acknowledge myself indebted to Judge Taft for valuable information. He says there were several other chn. besides those I have named: —

DEPENDENCE, who m. Esther Wood.

PAUL and SILAS, whom I infer were twins.

ELI, who m. a Wid. Street.

LEVI, b. Sept. 15, 1752, who m. Bethiah Chapin, May 28, 1776.

NATHAN, who m. Mercy Holbrook in Vt.; and CALVIN, who m. Hannah Wellman.

All the sons, except Ralph, emigrated to Townshend and Jamaica, Windham Co., Vt., where many of their descendants now are.

HAYWARD, WARFIELD[4] (Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Feb. 2, 1738; m. *Lydia Thayer* of Bell., dr. of Ebenezer and Mary (Wheelock) Thayer; cer. April 23, 1761, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

OLIVE, b. March 13, 1762; d. unm., June 1, 1836, a. 74 yrs.

JOEL, b. Nov. 7, 1763; m. Ruth Morse, May 8, 1788.

LUCY, b. Oct. 12, 1769; m. John Hayward, July 5, 1792.

RUTH, b. May 4, 1772; d. Oct. 11, 1798.

ABIJAH, b. July 2, 1774; d. when about 3 yrs. old.

ESTHER, b. Sept. 4, 1779; d. Dec. 24, 1798.

Warfield Hayward was a prominent citizen in his day. Mrs. Lydia d. April 8, 1802; and her hus. d. July 2 the same yr.

HAYWARD, JESSE[4] (Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 25, 1742; m. *Hannah Albee*, dr. of John and Sarah Albee, b. June 8, 1744; cer. Sept. 26, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

AHAZ, b. March 31, 1765; d. Jan. 8, 1777.

JOTHAM, b. June 8, 1767; d. Dec. 20, 1776.

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 3, 1769; m. Sally Nelson, Aug. 24, 1794.

ZURIEL, b. July 12, 1771; m., 1st, Olive Parkhurst, 1795; 2d, Olive Twitchell, 1801.

CEPHAS, b. Aug. 29, 1773; d. young, 1777.

LUCINDA, b. March 8, 1776.

CEPHAS, b. Aug. 5, 1778; untraced.

JOTHAM, b. Sept. 29, 1780; burnt to death in the Phinehas Eames fire, March 31, 1799.

LUCRETIA, b. Oct. 9, 1782; m. Moses Albee, Oct. 16, 1806. She d. March 20, 1852.

AHAZ, b. March 21, 1785; m. Pamelia Wiswall, Jan. 11, 1809. He d. Jan. 15, 1853.

SARAH, b. March 8, 1788; m. Isaac Davenport, then of Dorchester, Nov. 28, 1810.

The further history and death-dates of the parents have eluded my research.

HAYWARD, ELIHU[4] (Jonathan, jun.,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. April 30, 1739; m., 1st, *Sarah Hiscock;* ptge., etc., not found; cer. June 21, 1758, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Sarah, b. Oct. 1, 1758.
Mary, b. Nov. 16, 1760.
Rhoda, b. Feb. 7, 1763.
Ichabod, b. Aug. 9, 1767.
Joanna, b. Jan. 24, 1770; m. Laban Albee, May 12, 1791.
Amasa, b. March 2, 1772; m. Prudence Littlefield, 1796.
Perley, b. Feb. 9, 1774; m. Aaron Day of Sutton, 1804.
Asa, b. Feb. 18, 1777.

Mrs. Sarah d., date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, *Trial Hayward*, dr. of his uncle John and aunt Trial Hayward, b. April 21, 1752; cer. July 23, 1789, by Rev. A. Frost. Mr. Frost's record says he was then of Pelham. But he is credited with 1 child here by this 2d wf.; viz.,—

Sarah, b. Jan. 22, 1792.

After this I find no trace of Elihu and family on our records. I therefore infer that he emigrated from town, perhaps to Pelham. Later, I learn, from probate records, that he d. in Northbridge, 1810 to 1812. Prob. Mrs. Trial d. there too.

HAYWARD, Jonathan[4] (Jonathan, jun.,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 12, 1757; m. *Mary Ballard*, dr. of Sylvanus and Judith Ballard, b. Aug. 31, 1761; cer. Dec. 21, 1780, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

Fanny, b. Dec. 20, 1781; m. David Hayward, 1801.
Bathsheba, b. Aug. 16, 1784.
David, b. April 15, 1787.
Judith, b. May 28, 1789.
Betsey, b. Feb. 23, 1792.
Ballard, b. July 27, 1796.
Experience, b. Sept. 11, 1798.
Mary, b. Oct. 31, 1800.

I presume this Jonathan Hayward[4] dwelt in the vicinity of Howardtown; but precisely where, I have not ascertained. Somehow I lose trace of this whole family. Whether they emigrated, or what became of them, I am obliged to leave untold.

HAYWARD, Ephraim[4] (David,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 15, 1752; m. *Sarah Wedge*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah (Wiswall), Wedge, b. July 11, 1763; cer. Dec. 3, 1787, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

Joanna, b. Jan. 5, 1789; d. Dec. 29, 1794.
Newell, b. Sept. 29, 1791; d. Jan. 8, 1795.
Lydia, b. Jan. 15, 1793; d. Dec. 31, 1794.
Joanna, b. July 20, 1795; m. Curtis Wedge, March 4, 1819. She d. Oct. 7, 1874.
Lydia, b. April 21, 1797; m. Elijah Warfield, April 6, 1823.
Ichabod, stillborn, Dec. 23, 1798.
Newell W., b. Sept. 25, 1800; m. Sally Warfield, Dec. 25, 1820.
Diadama, b. Sept. 12, 1802; d. unm.
Cynthia Wedge, b. Dec. 14, 1804; mr. of Joel out of wedlock; still survives; only one of the family.
Lois Harriet, b. March 19, 1808; m. Jesse Daniels, Nov. 29, 1827. She d. Aug. 13, 1832.

About 1795 several of the Haywards began to write their name *Howard*, and it soon went on record accordingly. This Ephraim[4] became Ephraim Howard, and his descendants were called Howards. He dwelt on the home-

stead of his fr. David, near the junction of Plain and Mill Sts. He d. March 31, 1835, a. 82 yrs. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. in our asylum, April 4, 1859, a. 95 yrs.

HAYWARD [changed to] HOWARD, JOEL[5] (Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Nov. 7, 1763; m. *Ruth Morse*, dr. of Dea. James and Hannah (Daniels) Morse, b. in Medway, Aug. 15, 1768; cer. May 8, 1788, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

ABIJAH, b. Sept. 16, 1788; m. Margery Gould, Jan. 5, 1808.
RHODA, b. Jan 5, 1792; m. Lewis Allen, April 24, 1811.
ORA, b. Dec. 15, 1795; m. Mary F. Groves, Charleston, S.C.
LUCY, b. March 17, 1797; m. Samuel Warfield, jun., March 29, 1818.
JOEL, b. Aug. 1, 1803; m. Mary Flagg, Worcester, March, 1830.

Joel Howard inherited a part of his fr.'s homestead in Howardtown, and dwelt near where his grandson Hollis now lives. He d. Jan. 6, 1829, a. 65 yrs. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., d. Jan. 3, 1844, a. 73 yrs.

HAYWARD, DANIEL[4] (Daniel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Feb. 10, 1750; m. *Eleanor Davis*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. July 26, 1766. Their chn.: —

EUNICE, b. March 26, 1767; m. Joshua Grant, Partridgefield, July 14, 1785.
ABNER, b. Nov. 9, 1768.
LEVI, b. July 22, 1770; m. Dolly Thayer, Hop., Jan. 25, 1792.
ELIZABETH, b. Sept. 9, 1773.
CHLOE, b. Feb. 1, 1775.
EBENEZER, b. Sept. 26, 1776.
PAUL, b. April 25, 1778.
AARON, b. Jan. 27, 1780.
ALEXANDER, b. Nov. 22, 1781.
CHARLES, b. July 10, 1785.
SOPHIA, b. April 14, 1788.
MARTHA, b. Oct. 14, 1790.

I do not find myself able to locate the res. of this Daniel Hayward, jun., or to give his history. I have an impression that the family did not dwell permanently on our territory, but am not certain of this. I must leave the family further untraced.

HAYWARD, ADAM[4] (Daniel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 3, 1762; m. *Judith Ballard*, dr. of Sylvanus and Judith Ballard, b. May 21, 1763; cer. Sept. 18, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

RITTA, b. Sept. 5, 1782; d. Oct. 23, 1800.
JULIA, b. April 22, 1784.
SABRA, b. Jan. 17, 1786; m. Marcus Aldrich, Mendon, 1803.
MITTA, b. July 31, 1787; m. Ralph Bowker, Oct. 4, 1807.
LUTHER, b. Aug. 2, 1789.
MARTIN, b. Aug. 23, 1791; m. Abigail Hayward, July 6, 1817.
WHIPPLE, b. June 30, 1793; a son Willard d. Oct. 19, 1798.
RICHARD, b. May 31, 1797.
LYMAN } (twins), b. Oct. 18, 1799.
ELIAS } b. Oct. 18, 1799.

I cannot locate or give the history of this family. Probably emigrated mostly to some other locality.

HAYWARD [changed to] HOWARD, SAMUEL[5] (Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 3, 1769; m. *Sally Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Gershom

and Mercy (Puffer) Nelson, b. May 25, 1773; cer. Aug. 24, 1794, by Amariah Frost, jun., Esq. Their chn.:—

OLIVE, b. Oct. 28, 1796; d. April 26, 1797.

ABIGAIL, b. July 5, 1798; m. Martin Hayward, July 6, 1817.

JESSE, b. 1799; m., 1st, Mary Wheelock; 2d, Esther Smith.

MEHETABEL FAY, b. June 9, 1805; d. April 26, 1808.

JOTHAM, b. Jan. 29, 1808; m. Mary Ann White, Oct. 1, 1828.

MARY ANN, b. May 11, 1810; m. William P. Bartlett, Smithfield, R.I., 1834.

LUCINDA, b. Dec. 3, 1813; lived to do good, and d. unm , Nov. 16, 1880, 67th yr.

Samuel Howard and family had their home in So. Mil. district. He d. Nov. 26, 1842, a. 73; and his wf. only 2 ds. later, Nov. 28, 1842, a. 69 yrs. Mrs. Mary Ann (Howard) Bartlett d. March 28, 1854, a. 43 yrs. Miss Lucinda was a maiden lady eminently benevolent and useful in her sphere. She d. as above.

HAYWARD [changed to] HOWARD, Major ZURIEL[5] (Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. July 12, 1771; m., 1st, *Olive Parkhurst*, dr. of Jonas Parkhurst, jun., and Mary (Nelson), his wf., b. March 8, 1775; cer. 1795. Mrs. Olive soon d., date not found. The hus. m., 2d, *Olive Twitchell*, dr. of Ephraim and Lydia (Parkhurst) Twitchell, b. March 14, 1781; cer. Jan. 11, 1801, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.:—

SEMIRA, b. March 4, 1802; m. Leonard Chapin, Dec. 6, 1821.

OLIVE PARKHURST, b. Aug. 27, 1805; m., 1st, Hastings Daniels; 2d, Newton Daniels.

MARY ANN, b. Dec. 8, 1806; m. George Chapin, April 30, 1829.

HANNAH JONES, b. Dec. 14, 1808; d. unm., Dec. 19, 1874.

WILLIAM, b. Sept. 13, 1810; m. Susanna C. Ellis, April 9, 1835.

CHARLOTTE, b. July 21, 1813; still survives unm.; a faithful mantua-maker.

AMANDA MARIA, b. Jan. 6, 1816; m. Washington Ellis, April 26, 1838.

SAMUEL JONES, b. Jan. 16, 1820; m. Sarah Brown Ward, July 2, 1824.

Zuriel Howard dwelt long and d. on the homestead afterwards owned by Sylvanus Adams. Howard bought the place of Ephraim Chapin in 1801. He was a worthy and trusted citizen. He rose from the ranks in the Mil. Artillery Co. to be its captain; and thence to be commander of the battalion to which that co. belonged. His family had a reputable social standing, as I might justly have said of the other kindred families. There is an anecdote afloat, for the truth of which I will not vouch, that, while serving as juryman at a Worcester court, the clerk so disgusted him by calling his name with a protracted emphasis, H-a-y-w-a-r-d, as to resolve him ever afterwards to write it *Howard*. Be this as it may, for some reason he made the change; and his chn. followed suit. Maj. Howard d. Aug. 24, 1851. Miss Olive, his wid., d. Jan. 20, 1871.

HAYWARD [changed to] HOWARD, AMOS[4] (John,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 2, 1769; farmer in Bear-hill dist.; m. 1st, *Lucy Hayward*, dr. of Warfield and Lydia (Thayer) Hayward, b. Oct. 12, 1769; cer. July 5, 1792, by Amariah Frost, jun., Esq. Issue:—

EMERY, b. April 5, 1793; d. July 25, 1799.

Mrs Lucy d. date not found, and the hus. m., 2d, *Rebecca Whitney*, dr. of Elias and Lucy (Barnes) Whitney, b. Dec. 14, 1776; cer. June 22, 1797, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.:—

SIBBIA, b. May 22, 1798.

LUCY, b. Dec. 22, 1799; d. June 30, 1822.

JOHN, b. June 10, 1802; m. Chloe A. Gould, Holl., 1831.

MARGARET, b. Feb. 9, 1805; d. March 3, 1832, a. 27 yrs.

Amos, b. April 2, 1807; m. Elvira Gould, Nov. 28, 1833.

Emery, b. April 11, 1809; d. Jan. 9, 1829.

Rebecca, b. Aug. 4, 1812; m. Sewall H. Gould, Holl., Nov., 1832.

Andrew Jackson, b. Dec. 7, 1818; m. Laurinda Howard, date not found; res. Sutton.

Plain, laborious, respectable people. Mrs. Rebecca d. Nov. 25, 1827; and her hus. followed her, Sept. 1, 1829, a. 57 yrs.

I have not been able to obtain the full family records of Amos and Rebecca Howard's descendants, and may as well give all the data I possess concerning them in this place.

John m. *Chloe Gould* of Holl., 1831. Family no further traced.

Amos m. *Elvira Gould*, Nov. 28, 1833. Issue:—

Sylvester, b. Dec. 18, 1835; m. and res. in Medway Village. Chn., if any, unknown.

Viana, b. June 27, 1838; m. Moses Force. They res. on the old A. Howard homestead.

Amos K., b. June 28, 1845; m. Elvira Lane, dr. of John and Eliza (Dickey) Lane, b. Monroe, Me., April 14, 1838; cer. Bell., Sept. 26, 1869, by Rev. J. T. Massey. No chn.

Edwin F., b. 1847; d. in Charlestown, Nov. 22, 1873.

Whether Amos and Elvira (Gould) Howard had any other than the forementioned chn., I am uninformed. He d. Nov. 27, 1870; and his wid., Mrs. Elvira, d. Oct. 5, 1871.

HOWARD, Andrew Jackson, youngest son of Amos and Rebecca (Whitney) Howard, b. Mil., Dec. 7, 1818; m. *Laurinda Howard;* res. in Sutton. Prob. they have had several chn., but I have had no report from or correspondence with them.

HOWARD, Abijah[6] (Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 16, 1788; farmer, etc.; m. *Margery Wiswall Gould*, dr. of Paul and Christian (Hill) Gould; cer. Dec., 1808. Their chn.:—

Albert, b. Sept. 21, 1810; m. Hannah D. Howe of Paxton, Dec., 1838.

Hollis, b. Jan. 5, 1812; m. Emily Parker, 1836.

Ruth Morse, b. Jan. 17, 1814; d. Sept. 25, 1822.

Olive Thayer, b. Jan. 24, 1816; m. Francis D. Montague, April 6, 1843.

Mary Brunson, b. Dec. 2, 1817; m. Ralph W. Bowker, Nov. 26, 1840.

Sarah Sadler, b. June 17, 1821; m. Ethan L. Bowker, May 9, 1842.

I find indications that all these chn. were preceded by a son named Warfield. He d. in early infancy, and no birth-date appears.

Abijah Howard dwelt on a portion of the ancient Hayward patrimony, on now So. Main St., in the heart of Howardtown; and his family enjoyed a respectable social standing. He d. Dec. 24, 1865. Mrs. Margery d. July 4, 1870.

HOWARD, Joel, Jun.[6] (Joel, sen.,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 1, 1803; farmer; m. *Mary Flagg* of Worcester, March, 1830; further particulars not ascertained. Issue:—

Alonzo James F., b. Mil., Aug. 14, 1831; m. Saloma Bullard, Jan. 1, 1854.

The hus. and fr. inherited a portion of the ancient Hayward patrimony on Howard St., — a section lying along the banks of Charles River, — where his son now dwells. He d. in middle age, March 16, 1858, in his 54th yr. Mrs. Mary, his wf., had preceded him, having d. Dec. 6, 1856.

HOWARD, Alonzo James Frederick[7] (Joel, jun.,[6] Joel, sen.,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 14, 1831; boot-crimper; m.

Saloma Bullard, dr. of Daniel and Abigail (Mills) Bullard, Hyde Park, Vt., b. May 27, 1835; cer. Jan. 1, 1854, by Rev. Mr. Smalley. Issue:—

Ella M., b. Mil., July 21, 1857; m. Alfred L. Hixon, Oct. 2, 1878.

Franklin H., b. Worcester, Sept. 8, 1860; d. Nov. 6, 1865.

Wilfred D., b. Mil., April 27, 1865.

A worthy and respected family.

HOWARD, Jesse[6] (Samuel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1799; m., 1st, *Mary Wheelock*, dr. of Nahum and Betsey Wheelock, b. Mendon, Feb. 10, 1804; cer. Oct., 1824, by whom not found. Their chn.:—

Jesse, Jun., b. Jan. 26, 1826; m. Sabrina H. Albee, Oct. 16, 1851.

Archibald K., b. Aug., 1827; d. July 16, 1829, a. 1 yr. 11 mos.

Lucretia E., b. Aug. 21, 1829; m. Joseph Newton. She d. June 8, 1863.

Alcesta, b. Nov. 11, 1831; d. Oct. 10, 1843, a. 11 yrs. 11 mos.

Mary Eliza, b. July 19, 1834.

William, b. Sept. 23, 1836.

Charlotte B., b. June 1, 1839; m. John Waterman, Nov. 20, 1861.

Sylvester Batchelder, b. Aug. 25, 1842; m. Mary Sophia Nichols, Nov. 29, 1866. He d. May 1, 1868.

This family dwelt, at least for many yrs., in So. Mil., near the old schoolhouse common, adjacent to the junction of Plain and Mellen Sts. Worthy people. Mrs. Mary d. Nov. 10, 1843. The hus. m., 2d, *Esther Smith* of Woonsocket, R.I., 1844, who d. June 5, 1859. Mr. Jesse d. Dec. 8, 1865, in his 66th yr.

HOWARD, Jesse, Jun.[7] (Jesse,[6] Samuel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 26, 1826; grocer; m. *Sabrina Holbrook Albee*, dr. of Nathan and Keziah (Holbrook) Albee, b. Sept. 14, 1828; cer. Oct. 16, 1851, by Rev. Henry A. Eaton. Their chn.:—

Archibald Kennedy, b. Aug. 1, 1854; d. same day.

Samuel Wheelock, b. June 29, 1857; d.

Alcesta, b. Oct. 1, 1865.

Mr. Howard is a respectable grocer, firm Howard & Pierce, 73 Main St. Worthy family; small, and thinned by death.

HOWARD, Jotham[6] (Samuel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 29, 1808; bootmaker; m. *Mary Ann White*, dr. of Peter and Sarah (Stoddard) White, b. in Mendon, May 7, 1808; cer. Bell., Oct. 1, 1828, by Rev. Mr. Newton. Their chn.:—

Martin Stoddard, Rev., b. Aug. 29, 1829; grad. Amherst Coll., 1855; Cong. clergyman, Wilbraham.

Sarah W., b. March 22, 1832; m. Lovett Chapin, June, 1854.

Abbie N., b. June 10, 1835; m. Rev. Henry W. Rugg, Dec., 1851; res. Providence, R.I.

Mrs. Sarah suffered several yrs. from feeble health and mental depression: she d. April 26, 1878. Her hus. still survives, with the infirmities of age creeping upon him. His worthy maiden sister Lucinda dwelt with him many yrs., and was a helpful sustainer and comforter in his home. He has been blessed in his chn., who are all well settled in life. His son Martin is a highly respected Congregational clergyman in Wilbraham. Our citizens will remember with pleasure his very acceptable performances at our recent municipal centenary celebration. His eldest dr. is happily m. to a worthy layman in a responsible position at Sing Sing, N.Y.; and his youngest dr. is the wf. of a talented

Universalist clergyman in Providence, R.I. *Grandchn.:* Mary Elizabeth Howard, Edwin Carlton Howard, and Samuel Francis Howard in Wilbraham; Freddie Chapin in Sing Sing, N.Y.; Fannie E. Rugg and Gertrude H. Rugg in Providence, R.I.

HOWARD, Rev. MARTIN STODDARD[7] (Jotham,[6] Samuel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Mil., Aug. 29, 1829; grad. Amherst Coll., 1855; ordained to the Christian ministry at West Yarmouth, Nov. 20, 1856; installed over the Cong. ch., So. Dartmouth, May 19, 1859; installed over the ch. in Groveland, Dec. 29, 1864; installed over the ch. in Wilbraham, Oct. 29, 1868, where he has remained now nearly 13 yrs. in successful pastorship. He m. *Mary Adeline Carlton*, dr. of Horatio N. and Lucinda (Johnson) Carlton, b. Hop., Nov. 10, 1827; cer. in West Medway, Sept. 26, 1855, by Rev. Jacob Ide, D.D. Issue:—

HENRY CARLTON, b. W. Yarmouth, April 11, 1857; d. So. Dartmouth, July 22, 1859.

CHARLES EDWIN, b. So. Dartmouth, Sept. 14, 1861; d. Nov. 26, 1861.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. W. Medway, Aug. 31, 1867.

EDWIN CARLTON, b. Wilbraham, Nov. 11, 1869.

SAMUEL FRANCIS, b. Wilbraham, June 14, 1872.

HOWARD, WILLIAM[6] (Major Zuriel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 13, 1810; grocer; m. *Susanna Chapin Ellis*, dr. of Clark, Esq., and Mary (Morse) Ellis, b. March 10, 1815; cer. April 9, 1835, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

JOSEPHINE M., b. March 22, 1837; m., 1st, H. W. Houghton, June 8, 1855; m., 2d., J. L. Ainsworth, June 8, 1867; d.

CLARA M., b. Sept. 2, 1842; m. E. E. Shelton, April 14, 1880.

ABBY A., b. Sept. 30, 1844; m. D. Edwin Spencer, Oct. 20, 1868.

ALTA M., b. Oct. 6, 1847; m. Lawrence P. Goodspeed, March 13, 1878.

An intelligent and worthy family. Mrs. Susanna, the wf. and mr., d. July 3, 1879. Josephine M.'s 1st hus. d. Oct. 14, 1859; and Mr. Ainsworth, her 2d, d. April 9, 1877.

HOWARD, SAMUEL JONES[6] (Major Zuriel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 16, 1820; m. *Sarah Brown Ward*, dr. of Aaron and Sally (Brown) Ward, b. in Charlton, July 2, 1824; cer. in Thompson, Ct., July 31, 1842, by Rev. E. Branch. Their chn.:—

FRANK DEARBORN, b. Nov. 4, 1843; m. Anna Augusta Mathewson, Sept. 23, 1863; res. Mil.

EDGAR E., b. Sept. 15, 1845; m. Sarah J. Bowen, Oct. 1, 1866; res. Joliet, Ill.

DELIA A., b. Dec. 6, 1846; d. Sept. 18, 1848.

EMMA F., b. June 3, 1853; d. April 29, 1859.

Mr. Howard d. Feb. 28, 1863. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., m., 2d, James D. Hubbard, 1863. He d. Aug. 5, 1870; and she remains his wid., residing corner Pine and Congress Sts.

HOWARD, FRANK DEARBORN[7] (Samuel Jones,[6] Major Zuriel,[5] Jesse,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. in Mil., Nov. 4, 1843; bread-pedler; m. *Anna Augusta Mathewson*, dr. of Stephen and Harriet Walker (Day) Mathewson, b. Woonsocket, R.I., March 27, 1845; cer. Mil., Sept. 23, 1863, by Rev. A. A. Ellsworth. Their chn.:—

EMMA EUGENIA, b. Mil., April 9, 1864.

FRED MATHEWSON, b. July 6, 1866.

MABEL FLORENCE, b. Aug. 13, 1870.

A promising family. Mr. Howard minds his own business, and prosecutes it with satisfactory fidelity.

HOWARD, ORA[6] (Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Cap. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Dec. 15, 1795; trader in Charleston, S.C., for some yrs.; m. *Mary Ann Frances Groves* of that city; ptge., birth-date, particulars of cer., etc., not ascertained. Their chn.:—

CHARLES M., b. March 7, 1832; Presbyterian clergyman; res. Oldtown, Va. No chn.

LAURETTE RUTH, b. May 1, 1835; m. James W. Allen, St. Augustine, Fla.; res. Denver, Col.

Laurette and James W. Allen have, living, 3 chn.; birth-dates not given.

Ora Howard had his homestead on So. Main St., which is now owned by William S. Wilkinson. He spent many winters as a merchant at the South, and his summers here at home. He d. in Mil., Feb. 11, 1872, a. 77 yrs.

Mrs. Mary Ann, his wid., still survives, and res. in Boston.

HOWARD, ALBERT[7] (Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 21, 1810; teacher of singing, etc.; m. *Hannah D. Howe;* ptge. not ascertained; b. Paxton, Jan. 27, 1819; cer. 1839. Their chn.:—

AUSTIN, b. Oct. 10, 1839; medicine manuf.; m. Alice Maria Arnold, June 25, 1863.

ALBERT, Jun., b. March 24, 1842; d. Sept. 3, 1849, a. 7 yrs. 5 mos. and 10 ds.

ORA, b. Feb. 12, 1844; m. Charlotte Maria Critcherson, June 14, 1872; res. New York.

ROXA A., b. Feb. 18, 1847; survives, as yet unm.

Mr. Howard was well endowed with the gifts of nature, had an admirable musical genius, and for several yrs. was a successful teacher in that professional line. But he was sadly unfortunate in some of his habits and domestic experiences. Under these he finally broke down, and at length d. Sept. 28, 1874, in his 65th yr. Appreciative angels bemoaned him. Mrs. Hannah m., 2d, a Mr. Bigelow. They res. in Paxton. Further particulars not given.

HOWARD, AUSTIN[8] (Albert,[7] Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 10, 1839; manufacturer of medicines; m. *Alice Maria Arnold*, dr. of Collins M. and Abigail (Aldrich) Arnold, b. Woonsocket, R.I., March 2, 1845; cer. Bernon, Woonsocket, June 25, 1863, by the rector of the Episcopal ch. there. No chn. reported. Res. in Mil. See Austin Howard in Chap. VIII.: "War-Record of the Rebellion."

HOWARD, ORA[8] (Albert,[7] Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Feb. 12, 1844; financial clerk and agent in New York; m. *Charlotte Maria Critcherson*, dr. of John and Elizabeth H. (Pitman) Critcherson, b. Boston, April 28, 1844; cer. June 14, 1870, by whom not given. Issue:—

PAUL SWIFT, b. New-York City, Oct. 21, 1872; d. March 15, 1873.

FLORENCE GERTRUDE, b. Astoria, L.I., March 26, 1875.

MARION CRITCHERSON, b. New-York City, March 13, 1877.

Mrs. Charlotte is of Scotch descent, and her fr. is reported to be an ingenious mechanical inventor. Mr. Howard is a trusted financial clerk and agent in the employ of E. Oelberman & Co., Green St., New-York City.

HOWARD, HOLLIS[7] (Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Jan. 5, 1812; farmer: m. *Emily Parker*, dr. of Nathaniel and Polly (Walker) Parker, b. Hop., Feb. 21, 1818; cer. in Thompson, Ct., 1836 by G. Larned, Esq. Their chn.:—

Hanson, b. March 5, 1837; d. July 18, 1849.
Ann Estella, b. Nov. 4, 1839; d. July 22, 1858.
Eugene, b. Aug. 8, 1841; m. Susan Ella Nash, Dec. 25, 1865.
Sarah Sadler, b. Dec. 4, 1843; res. at home with parents.
Emily Ardelia, b. Nov. 2, 1846; d. July 23, 1848.
Whitman, b. Sept. 19, 1849; m. Mary H. Burnham, Oct. 27, 1877.
Mehetabel, b. May 10, 1852; d. Jan. 23, 1854.

A worthy and respected family, dwelling in the heart of Howardtown, on a portion of the ancient Hayward heritage, which has come down in possession of the lineage for over 180 yrs. Grandchn., 3 living, Eugene's offspring.

HOWARD, Newell W.[5] (Ephraim,[4] David,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 25, 1800; m. *Sarah Warfield*, dr. of Capt. Samuel and Margery (Gay) Warfield, b. March 13, 1792; cer. Dec. 25, 1820, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Pedee (Experience) Wood, b. Aug. 28, 1821; d. Jan. 24, 1876; unm.
Hannah Warfield, b. April 12, 1823; m. Putnam W. Taft, Aug. 3, 1845; res. Mendon.
Joanna Wedge, b. March 7, 1825; m. Otis Whitney, Aug., 1843. She d. some yrs. ago.
David Wilson, b. date not found; d. Oct. 15, 1826.
Mary Chittenden, b. Feb. 6, 1828; m. George H. Bennett of Northbridge, 1857.

The hus. and fr. d. in Leverett, Jan. 10, 1830, in the 29th yr. of his age. Mrs. Sarah struggled bravely to bring up worthily her 4 orphans, and did so. At length she came to a tragical death, by means of her clothes taking fire on her person. She lived 17 hours after the casualty, in bitter distress, expiring Jan. 5, 1866, in her 74th yr.

HOWARD, Joel,[7] putative son of Joel[6] by Cynthia, dr. of Ephraim Howard (Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 12, 1823; m. *Maria Day*, dr. of Jonathan and Charlotte (Everett) Day, b. Attleboro', Nov. 26, 1824; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., April 21, 1851, by Rev. Benjamin Talbot. Issue:—

James Elwin, b. Bell., Feb. 26, 1852; m. Kate Elizabeth Gillman, Jan. 9, 1872.
Ella Maria, b. Bell., Feb. 21, 1853; m. Herbert Alley Greeley, Nov. 20, 1877.

Worthy family. Mr. Howard was an industrious bootmaker. He d. Oct. 1, 1876. Mrs. Maria, his wid., still survives, dwelling on the family homestead, 27 Fruit St., having with her Mrs. Greeley, her dr., and her hus. Her son, J. Elwin, is a heelmaker. He has had 2 chn., 1 d. and 1 surviving.

HOWARD, Dr. Eugene[8] (Hollis,[7] Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 8, 1841; m. *Susan Ella Nash*, dr. of William and Susan (Barker) Nash, b. May 30, 1848; cer. in Mil., Dec. 25, 1865, by Rev. Joseph Scott. Issue:—

Philip Eugene, b. April 1, 1870.
Frank William, b. Dec. 10, 1871; d. 1872.
Robert Garrison, b. June 18, 1874.
Frederick Hollis, b. 1877.

Mr. Howard studied medicine, received the degree of M.D., and res. with his family in Burlington, Vt., where he practises his profession acceptably among the people.

HOWARD, Whitman[8] (Hollis,[7] Abijah,[6] Joel,[5] Warfield,[4] Capt. Samuel,[3] Jonathan,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Sept. 19, 1849; m. *Mary Hannah Burnham*, dr. of Eben-

ezer and Sarah Ann (Brown) Burnham, b. June 13, 1849; cer. Oct. 27, 1877, by Rev. W. W. Newell. No chn. reported. A fish-dealer in town, 67 Main St., house 9 Pine St.

Having presented the best exposition I could of Samuel Hayward's descendants on our territory, I shall waive the lineage of his next younger brother, William, who set. about the year 1700, or a little later, on "The Farms," so called. I do so because — although that part of Bellingham was under the municipal control of Mendon till 1719, and had its marriages, births, and deaths recorded in common with ours, until set off with Bell. — I find it almost impossible to decide whether any of his progeny dwelt within our present limits. It is not improbable that some of them did; but, if so, I cannot discover who of them did, so as to distinguish them from their cousins on our side of the line. They abounded in Samuels, Jonathans, Williams, etc.; and I must leave the whole lineage to be ascertained and described by some smarter genealogist than myself. The labor is too perplexing for me, and would cost the town too much, were I disposed to perform it. I therefore take up the

LINEAGE OF JONATHAN HAYWARD, YOUNGEST BROTHER OF SAMUEL.

He was from Swanzey, and came into these parts, as already told, while he was yet a minor, as far back as 1692. He soon began to take up common lands, and before 1710 located himself north-east of Bear Hill, in the near vicinity of the "Great Meadow." He there became quite a large landholder, prob. to the extent of several hundred acres; stretching, in greater or less width, from Sherborn Road southerly, along Beaver St., to a considerable distance beyond the junction of Mt. Pleasant St. He m., 1st, *Trial Rockwood*, dr. of the first John Rockwood of Mendon, b. 1676 or 1677. They had 3 chn. recorded in Mendon, —

WILLIAM, b. Jan. 30, 1696-97; no further traced.

JONATHAN, Jun., b. April 8, 1699; m. Lydia Albee, Jan. 22, 1717.

DAVID, b. July 8, 1701; no further traced.

Mrs. Trial d., date not found; and the hus. m., 2d, *Grace* ——; no recorded particulars respecting her ptge., birth-date, or the cer. found. Their chn.: —

JOSEPH, b. May 15, 1706.

JOHN, b. Feb. 4, 1709; m., prob., Hannah Baxter, March 6, 1728-29.

SAMUEL, b. March 11, 1716.

SARAH, b. April 25, 1718.

I suspect there may have been other chn.; but I have found myself unable to trace the family further, except as seen below. Nor have I found the death-dates of the parents. So I leave much to be done by the explorer who may undertake to master this Hayward genealogy. It is too complicated for me.

HAYWARD, JONATHAN 3d[2] (sometimes called jun., perhaps; Jonathan from Swanzey[1]), b. April 8, 1699; m., young, *Lydia Albee*, dr. of James and Hannah (Cook) Albee, birth-date not found; cer. Jan. 22, 1716-17. Their chn.: —

TRIAL, b. April 25, 1717-18; m. John Hayward, April 3, 1740.

OLIVER, b. Aug. 21, 1719; m. Sarah Braddock, Nov. 3, 1746.

SUSANNA, b. Oct. 13, 1721; d. in infancy.

JAMES, b. Feb. 18, 1724; m., 1st, Lois Parmenter, Hop.; 2d, Hannah Parmenter.

PATIENCE, b. July 24, 1728; m. Japheth Chapin, Nov. 5, 1749.

REBECCA, b. March 5, 1731; d. young.

Mary, b. Sept. 22, 1733.
Susanna, b. April 4, 1736.
Rebecca, b. June 9, 1739; m. Boyce Kimball, Hop., Dec. 4, 1755.
Elizabeth, b. Jan. 30, 1741.

This Jonathan Hayward 3d, *alias* jun., dwelt where our Elias Whitney owns an estate that came down to him from his gt. gd. fr., the first Elias Whitney. It lay adjacent to the junction of Mt. Pleasant and Beaver Sts., and probably consisted mostly of lands that had belonged to his father. There were at that time certainly three, if not four, Jonathan Haywards on our territory, all men of considerable influence, and whom I have been greatly puzzled to distinguish from each other. I have found one instance in which this Beaver-st. Jonathan, jun., was called Jonathan 2d; but it was some time after the death of his fr., whom I will call "Great-meadow" Jonathan. When treating of the Howardtown Jonathan, jun., I supposed he must be the Jonathan Hayward, jun., that was so influential during the first seven yrs. of our Precinct, presiding often as moderator, and serving on the executive committee; but, after more examination, I think it possible I have mistaken the man, and that the Beaver-st. Jonathan may have been the moderator and committeeman. Let those decide more positively who are more competent. This Beaver-st. Jonathan appears to have d. Nov. 24, 1750; and his wid., Mrs. Lydia, administered on his est. He left considerable real and personal property. In the inventory of his est. I noted an item which some of my readers may deem memorable; viz., "One old negro fellow, with his bed and bedding, £1. 6s. 8d." See B. 4, p. 10, Worcester Registry of Probate. This may remind the present and coming generations that we once had a speck of chattel slavery on our territory. In fact, there were several such specks hereabouts. It seems that Mrs. Lydia (Albee) Hayward, the wid. of this Jonathan, d. in Douglas, Oct. 3, 1776. Probably she spent her last days with some child or chn. who had emigrated to that town. She was a gd. dr. of Benjamin Albee, the old surveyor and corn-miller.

HAYWARD, Oliver[3] (Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Aug. 21, 1719; m. *Sarah Braddock*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. Nov. 3, 1746. His father disliked the match, and forbade the banns. But Oliver brought the matter before Daniel Taft and John Harwood, two Mendon justices of the peace; and they summoned the parties before them. The father would not appear in person, but sent his reasons in writing. The court sat Nov. 3, 1746, tried the case, and decided that the fr. offered no sufficient reasons against the marriage; whereupon Justice Taft married Oliver and Sarah on the spot. I find the following names on record as the issue of this mge.:—

Elizabeth, b. Dec. 3, 1747.
Oliver, Jun., b. July 8, 1749.
Lydia, bap. Feb. 10, 1750–51.
Ichabod, bap. Dec. 6, O. S., 1752; m. Marcy Harvey, 1772; no further traced.
Joshua, bap. May 17, N. S., 1755; m. Anna Hiscock, Hop., Nov. 11, 1777; set. in Hop.
Simeon, bap. May 15, N. S., 1757; untraced.

When did Oliver, the hus. and fr., die? or what became of him? I have found it difficult to trace the outgoings and local abodes of this family. The mr. and her son Oliver, jun., became poor, and had to be cared for by the town. The wid. Sarah d. June 18, 1810, a. 92. Oliver d. Feb. 9, 1812. Of Elizabeth, Lydia, Ichabod, and Simeon, I have no information.

Joshua, who m. Anna Hiscock, and set. in Hop., as above, had, I learn, 7 or 8 chn. b. in that town, but all of whom scattered in various directions as they came to maturity. He had a son Levi, who studied medicine, and practised his profession many yrs. in Edmeston, Otsego County, N.Y., where at length he d. He had another son, Isaac, who also studied medicine, with his bro. Levi, and practised some 10 or 12 yrs. in Sherburn and Columbia, N.Y. Later he entered the Universalist ministry, preached 3 or 4 yrs., was ordained and set. at Burlington, N.Y., where he d. Jan. 15, 1839. It so happens that I am furnished with Rev. Isaac Hayward's family record, by Mrs. Mary Ann (Hayward) Soule, one of his surviving drs. Her widowed mr. and most of her chn. became residents of Hopedale more than 20 yrs. ago. Several of them and she herself d. here. The following is the family record: —

HAYWARD, Rev. ISAAC[5] (Joshua,[4] Oliver,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. in Hop., Dec. 1, 1798; m. *Polly* alias *Mary Fisher*, dr. of Nathan and Polly (Ball) Fisher, b. Westboro', Sept. 11, 1799; cer. April 4, 1821. Their chn.: —

JULIA ANN, b. March 4, 1822; d. unm. Hopedale, May 4, 1863.

NANCY EVELINE, b. Oct. 20, 1824; d. unm. Hopedale, May 30, 1860.

CYNTHIA ALMIRA, b. April 31, 1827; m. William H. Stone, Vienna, N.Y., June, 1855.

MARY ANN, b. Nov. 11, 1830; m. Justus Soule of Duxbury, Nov. 25, 1855.

Mrs. Polly *alias* Mary (Fisher) Hayward, wid. of Rev. Isaac, d. at Hopedale, Oct. 5, 1876, in her 78th yr.

HAYWARD, MARY ANN,[6] dr. of Rev. Isaac and Mary (Fisher) Hayward; m. *Justus Soule*, son of James and Mary (Bradford) Soule, b. in Duxbury, Feb. 22, 1825; cer. in Ashland, Nov. 25, 1855, by Rev. William M. Thayer. No chn. Justus Soule d. at Hopedale, Feb. 12, 1859, a. 34 yrs. Mrs. Mary Ann, his wid., still survives, and dwells on her little homestead in the northerly section of Hopedale Village. Lately sold out and rem.

HAYWARD, JAMES[3] (Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Feb. 18, 1724; m. *Lois Parmenter* of Hop., April 17, 1746. Issue: —

DAVID, b. Oct. 17, 1747; untraced.

JONATHAN, b. May 18, 1749; m. Lydia Wood, Jan. 23, 1772, and set. in Up.

JAMES, b. June 2, 1751; untraced.

ELIAS, b. Jan. 17, 1753; d. Morristown, N.J., in the Revolutionary war, Jan. 30, 1777.

Mrs. Lois having d., date not found, the hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Parmenter* of Hop., perhaps his 1st wf.'s sister, Feb. 26, 1754. They had, —

MARTHA, b. Aug. 4, 1754; untraced.

SOLOMON, b. Dec. 6, 1756; untraced.

REBECCA, b. July 23, 1758; untraced.

JOSEPH, b. Aug. 25, 1760; untraced.

URIEL, b. March 1, 1763; untraced.

James Hayward[3] inherited his fr.'s homestead at the junction of Beaver and Mt. Pleasant Sts., which he sold to our first Elias Whitney, June 12, 1764. After this I seem to lose track of him, and suspect he must have emigrated with his family to some other locality. It has been suggested, by some one, that he moved to Northbridge; but this I have not verified. I think the whole family must have left town. Jonathan, who set. in Upton, is the only one I have the means of tracing; and I may as well give his record here, as some of his descendants have become our citizens.

HAYWARD, JONATHAN[4] (James,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. here May 18, 1749; m. *Lydia Wood* of Upton; cer. Jan. 23, 1772, by Rev. Elisha Fish. Their chn., b. in Upton:—

EZRA, b. May 19, 1772; presumed to have d. young.
LYDIA, b. June 7, 1774; m., 1st, —— Holbrook; 2d, —— Warren.
JONATHAN, b. Oct. 4, 1776; no further traced.
EZRA, b. March 15, 1779; no further traced.
POLLY, b. July 8, 1783; no further traced.
ANNA, b. June 7, 1785; m. Daniel Fisher.
ELIAS, b. ——; named in the fr.'s will; m. Lydia Chapin, May 3, 1809.
LEVI F., b. ——; named in the fr.'s will.
JAMES, b. ——; named in the fr.'s will.

Jonathan[4] d. in Upton in 1815; and his son, as executor, set. his estate. Mrs. Lydia, his wid., made her will Dec. 9, 1823, and, I presume, d. soon after.

HAYWARD, ELIAS[5] (Jonathan,[4] James,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Lydia Chapin*, dr. of David and Martha (Bates) Chapin, b. in Upton, Feb. 17, 1791; cer. in Up., May 3, 1809, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Their chn.:—

ELIZA ANN, b. ——; m. —— Ward.
BAINBRIDGE, b. Up., Aug. 2, 1813; m. Martha Fales, May 8, 1838.
GORDON NEWELL, b. Up., March 18, 1819; m. Laura Ann Perham, June 24, 1841.
WILLIAM AUSTIN, b. Up., July 26, 1823; m. Betsey Thomas Newcomb, April 17, 1844.

Elias[5] d. in Upton, June 26, 1824. Mrs. Lydia d. Feb. 14, 1857.

His three sons have been among our most enterprising citizens for many yrs. The two elder ones remain among us. William A., who was a conspicuous merchant here for some yrs., left us, and moved to New-York City, where he still res. in active business.

HAYWARD, BAINBRIDGE[6] (Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] James,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Upton, Aug. 2, 1813; boot-manufacturer; m. *Martha Fales*, dr. of James and Susan (Davis) Fales, b. in Hubbardston, July 28, 1815; cer. Up., May 8, 1838, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Issue:—

HENRY JAMES, b. Mil., Feb. 28, 1842; m. Hattie King, Richmond, Ind., Feb., 1867.
WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE, b. Mil., June 4, 1853; m. Ida Brown, New York, April 28, 1874.

Henry James and wf. have 3 chn.; viz., Bainbridge, Martha, and Selina, birth-dates not given. William Bainbridge and wf. have 3 chn; viz., Gordon B., b. June 21, 1875; Daisy B., b. Feb. 28, 1877; and Ida L., b. April 25, 1880. Bainbridge Hayward and wf. have res. in town 41 yrs. They are of respectable social standing. He was sent representative to Gen. Court in 1869 and 1870. He is a diligent and prudent business man, and a worthy citizen. His establishment is on Bragg Slip, and his house at 35 Congress St.

HAYWARD, GORDON NEWELL[6] (Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] James,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Upton, March 18, 1819; m. *Laura Ann Perham*, dr. of Aaron and Chilone C. (Lesure) Perham, b. Up., Jan. 31, 1821; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., Jan. 24, 1841, by Rev. John Boyden. Issue:—

LAURETTA, b. Up., March 31, 1846; d. Mil., Sept. 5, 1849.
JENNIE AGNES, b. Barre, March 9, 1851; m. Austin Ballou, Aug. 2, 1871.

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There are 2 gd. chn.; viz., Cora Sadie Ballou, b. Mil., Sept. 20, 1872, and William Austin Ballou, b. Mil., Feb. 12, 1876.

Mr. Hayward and family are too well and reputably known in business and social circles to need characterization. He is a very enterprising, active, and trustworthy citizen. He is also an influential and devoted member of the Masonic Fraternity.

HAYWARD, WILLIAM A.[6] (Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] James,[3] Beaver-st. Jonathan,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Upton, July 26, 1823; m. *Betsey (Thomas) Newcomb*, dr. of Nathaniel and Betsey (Lincoln) Newcomb, b. in Norton, April 5, 1823; cer. Norton, April 17, 1844, by Rev. Richard Sweet. Issue:—

HATTIE B., b. Mil., June 26, 1846; m. Dr. Pratt of Harlem, N.Y., 1881.

Mr. H. came into Mil. perhaps in 1842, at first as a school-teacher, then as store-keeper with Dea. Nathaniel Torrey for a short time, and then went into mercantile business on a larger scale under his own sole management. He was eminently enterprising, and made things lively in whatever direction he turned his ambition. Inside and outside of his special sphere he was conspicuously active, promoting public improvements as well as his own personal success. He took a leading part in getting "The Milford Journal" started, publishing first one or two transient advertising sheets in several numbers. He also published in 1846 and 1847 our two earliest primer-like directories. Milford is more indebted to him for his useful activities than I have space, time, or accurate information to tell.

I now return to the next oldest branch of Great-meadow Jonathan Hayward's posterity that seems to be within my reach, for I cannot track several of the branches.

HAYWARD, SAMUEL[2] (Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. March 11, 1716, being the third son of Grace, the 2d wf. He m. *Ruth* ——; further particulars not at my command. Issue:—

MOSES, b. Nov. 2, 1743; m. Lois Wood, May 27, 1767, and set. in Upton.

AARON, b. Dec. 22, 1745; m. Hannah Tenney, and set. in Up.

LYDIA, b. Feb. 13, 1747; untraced

JACOB, b. March 27, 1749; m. 4 successive wives; lived and d. in Mil. See further on.

SAMUEL, b. July 23, 1752; m. Rachel Rawson, Ux., Oct. 12, 1772.

The father, Samuel,[2] was accidentally drowned in West River, Ux., July 7, 1752, only a few days before the birth of his youngest son, to the great affliction of his family.

HAYWARD, JACOB[3] (Samuel,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. March 27, 1749; m., 1st, *Elizabeth Gibbs*, dr. of Lieut. Joseph and Elizabeth (Palmer) Gibbs, b. in Framingham, July 14, 1752; cer. in Mil., Oct. 29, 1772, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

FRANCIS, b. Oct. 6, 1773; d. 1776.

MARTHA, b. 1775; m. Stephen Wing of Livermore, Me., April 12, 1795.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Gibbs) d., date not found. The hus. m., 2d, *Elizabeth Albee*, dr. of Thomas and Jemima (Thompson) Albee, b. about 1756; cer. July 23, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

ELIZABETH, b. date not found; m. Ebenezer Gore, Upton, April 18, 1799.

AMARIAH, b. Oct. 25, 1780; m., 1st, Sally Wood; 2d, Hannah Bedell. See further on.

LEWIS, b. date not found; m., 1st, Nabby Bathrick; 2d, Roxalana Putnam.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Albee) d., date not found. The hus. m., 3d, Mrs. *Elizabeth*

(*Thayer*) *Heath*, dr. of Seth and Judith (Bullard) Thayer, b. Dec. 31, 1752, and wid. of Samuel Wilbour Heath; cer. Jan. 12, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

Abigail, b. date not found; m. Otis Chapin, Jan. 2, 1805.

Judith, b. date not found; m. Abijah Clark, 1808, and set. in Becket.

Hopestill, b. date not found; m. Martin Claflin, Dec. 4, 1808.

Experience, or Pedee, b. date not found; m. Jonathan Bathrick, 1810.

Samuel, b. date not found; d. young, July 28, 1798.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Thayer) Heath Hayward, d. Dec. 20, 1815. The hus. m., 4th, *Abigail Thayer*, dr. of Seth and Judith (Bullard) Thayer, b. Sept. 8, 1767, —a younger sister of his 3d wf.; cer. Dec. 19, 1816, by Rev. D. Long. No chn.

Jacob Hayward was a cooper by trade, and a farmer. I have been told that he dwelt in early manhood on now Mt. Pleasant St., at what became known as the Ephraim Daniels place, a little east of the junction of Central St. with Mt. Pleasant. I have designated the ruins of the old dwelling-house there as No. 6 in my list of Abandoned Home-sites. Later in life he set. on a homestead in the valley, which, in our times, has been designated as the Lewis Hayward place, a little east of where Medway St. crosses Beaver. His old house is still standing. This is on the very verge of the famous "Great Meadow," where his gd. fr. Jonathan first set., or certainly in the near vicinity; and this is why I have called him Great-meadow Jonathan, to distinguish him from the other Jonathans. Jacob seems to have been of considerable account among his fellow-townsmen. He was for several yrs. constable, and held at different times various offices in his vicinage. Any wise, he seems to have been a very marriageable man. He d. Feb. 15, 1822. Mrs. Abigail, his 4th wf. and wid., d. June 26, 1839, in her 71st yr.

HAYWARD, Amariah[4] (Jacob,[3] Samuel,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Oct. 25, 1780; m., 1st, *Sarah Wood* of Upton, ptge., etc., not given; cer. April 1, 1806. Issue:—

Lydia Rowina, b. Mil., March 9, 1808; m. Clark Aldrich, Upton, Aug. 25, 1833; she d. Oct. 22, 1880.

Lois Elmina, b. Mil., Nov. 28, 1809; m., and set. in the State of Me.

Mrs. Sarah d. July 27, 1812. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Bedell*, dr. of Richard and Margaret (Whitton) Bedell, b. Limerick, Me., April 19, 1790; cer. in Farmington, Me., Jan. 1, 1815, by Esq. Dillingham. Their chn.:—

Elbridge G , b. Dec. 12, 1815; our well-known builder; thrice m. See below.

Samuel W., b. Jan. 15, 1817; our popular dep. sheriff; thrice m. See below.

Sarah W., b. Aug. 29, 1818; m. George Gregory, Oct. 22, 1843.

Lewis, b. May 14, 1820; unm.; res. Mil; carriage-trimmer, etc.

Nameless, b. 1823; d. an infant.

Isaac, b. Feb. 25, 1825; d. Sept. 5, 1842.

Lucretia, b. Jan. 20, 1828; unm.; res. Mil.

Amariah Hayward had good natural abilities, and a bright mechanical genius. At 17 yrs. of age he went into Col. Benj. Godfrey's store as clerk, boarding with Dr. Scammell. The Dr. gave him free access to his books, and tried to persuade him to study medicine. This he declined; but he gained useful surgical knowledge meantime, which, in after-life, enabled him in several instances to render timely and valuable assistance for the preservation of life and limb. He became a skilful joiner and wheelwright, and in these occupations spent most of his manhood life. He is said to have invented the first swivel bitstock used in these parts; also the first grooved washboard; also an improved power water-wheel. But for none of his inventions did he take out

patents; freely sharing all their benefits with the public. He spent several yrs. in the State of Me., but returned to his native town, and d. here, Sept. 8, 1836. Mrs. Hannah, his wid., d. here, Feb. 3, 1880, a. almost 88 yrs.

HAYWARD, ELBRIDGE GERRY[5] (Amariah,[4] Jacob,[3] Samuel,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Farmington, Me., Dec. 12, 1815; m., 1st, *Eliza Farnum Legg*, dr. of Caleb and Lydia (Batchelder) Legg, b. in Millville, 1823; cer. in Mil., 1849, by Rev. Andrew Reed of Mendon. Issue:—

ARTHUR FORREST, b. Mil., May 24, 1850.

EDGAR ADELBERT, b. Mil., Jan. 27, 1852.

FRANK MORTON, b. Mil., July 16, 1854; d. Oct. 11, 1855.

Mrs. Eliza d. March 21, 1855. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Ann Wight*, dr. of Haskey and Lucy A. (Noyes) Wight, b. Wirt, N.Y., Aug. 3, 1831; cer. in Mil., 1858, by Rev. Mr. Bailey. Issue:—

NELLIE MAY, b. Nov. 6, 1859.

Mrs. Mary Ann d. April 21, 1860. The hus. m., 3d, *Eleanor C. Hardy*, dr. of Eliphalet D. and Eunice Mann (Tyler) Hardy, b. Medway; cer. in Medway, Sept. 18, 1860, by Rev. David Sanford. Issue:—

FRANK CUTTER, b. Jan. 26, 1863; d. Dec. 16, 1864.

WILLIE, b. Nov. 26, 1865.

LILLA FRANCES, b. May 18, 1869.

ELBRIDGE LEVERETT, b. March 31, 1874.

Mr. Hayward is a competent carpenter, and successful builder of public as well as private edifices. Family standing reputable. He has always had his home in town. He has one very remarkable son, now between 28 and 30 yrs. of age, who is known as the "blind lather." From some cause, of which I am not informed, he became blind in childhood, and seemed likely to be a burden to himself and others for life. Not so. He had sterling natural capabilities, understood his situation, and resolved to become a man on his own account. The result is, that, by continuous hard struggles, he has surmounted his loss of sight and consequent disadvantages, to a most wonderful extent. He learned gradually to move about from place to place with facility, and to use his hands dexterously in various kinds of business. At length he became a great expert in lathing buildings, and now distinguishes himself as a large, judicious, and executive contractor of jobs in his favorite occupation. He is a phenomenon and a master in his own line, presenting a most beneficent and encouraging example to the young who are so unfortunate as to be blind.

HAYWARD, SAMUEL W.[5] (Amariah,[4] Jacob,[3] Samuel,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), b. Jan. 15, 1817; m., 1st, *Ann Janette Bullard*, b. Medway, March 30, 1818; cer. in Medway, Nov. 16, 1841, by Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide. Issue:—

CLARA AMELIA, b. Mil., Dec. 17, 1844; m. Henry E. Fales, Nov. 5, 1867.

ANNA LOUISA, b. Mil., Dec. 16, 1846; m. Dr. Herbert Cutler Bullard, 1871.

SAMUEL WILBER, Jun., b. Mil., Feb. 11, 1850.

Mrs. Ann Janette d. Aug. 17, 1869. The hus. m., 2d, *Eliza J. (Wolford) Thompson*, wid. of Luther Thompson, b. May 1, 1836, in Wrentham; cer. June 3, 1871. Issue:—

LESLIE, b. Mil., March 1, 1872.

GRACIE JOSEPHINE, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1873.

Mrs. Eliza J. d. May 19, 1876. The hus. m., 3d, *Huldah Jane Chilson*, dr. of Willard and Huldah (Thayer) Chilson, b. Mendon, Aug. 5, 1840; cer. in Hopedale, Nov. 7, 1877, by the writer. No chn.

It is, however, proper to state that Mrs. Huldah, the present wf., has 2 chn. by a former hus., who, by judicial decree, bear the names of —

Ella Thayer Chilson, b. Mil., Aug. 21, 1865.

Henry Goodwin Chilson, b. Mil., March 10, 1867.

Mr. Hayward served as selectman in 1855, as assessor in '50, '51, and '55, and has been one of our most efficient deputy sheriffs in this part of the county for over 30 yrs. He has uncommon tact and executiveness in the management of prisoners. He is enterprising in business generally; was agent of the Cherokee Colony that emigrated from this vicinity several yrs. ago to Cherokee Co., Ia., and now owns large tracts of land in that locality. He has an intelligent and respectable family.

HAYWARD, Lewis[4] (Jacob,[3] Samuel,[2] Great-meadow Jonathan[1]), birth-date not found; m., 1st, *Nabby Bathrick* of Upton; cer. 1813, by (prob.) Rev. Benjamin Wood. Their chn.: —

Susanna, b. May 28, 1815.

Betsey Albee, b. June 29, 1817.

Jacob, b. July 16, 1819; d. Aug. 12, 1840.

Mrs. Nabby d. Jan. 3, 1823. The hus. m., 2d, *Roxalina Putnam* of Upton; cer. in 1824, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Issue: —

Lewis Putnam, b. Dec. 30, 1825.

John Alonzo, b. July 17, 1830.

Lewis Hayward dwelt on his father Jacob's last-owned homestead, in the near vicinity of "Great Meadow," on Beaver St., just south of where it is crossed by Medway St. He was an orderly citizen, a kind neighbor, and well-disposed man in all the relations of life. His two wives and family were of corresponding character, to the best of my knowledge. He d. Aug. 5, 1835, a. 49 yrs. Mrs. Roxalina, his wid., d. May 25, 1839.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HAYWARD.

This William was eldest son of Samuel, the Mendon proprietor. Howardtown Jonathan was his brother, and Benjamin was his youngest brother. Of these and their descendants I have treated. Their eldest bro. William inherited land on our territory, but never dwelt here. He lived and d. in old Mendon. I know of but one or two families now within our limits who I am sure are his descendants. In former times we had a William Hayward here who was prob. a gd. son of his, though I have found my data so tangled and imperfect as to leave me in some uncertainty concerning the links of this lineage. Middlesex records make this William, eldest son of Samuel, to have been b. Oct. 6, 1667, the autumn after Mendon was incorporated. His cousin William of "The Farms" would appear, from the same records, to have been b. some 2 yrs. later. Of these cousins on "The Farms" I do not undertake to treat. The oldest mge. of a William Hayward found on Mendon records is, I suppose, that of this William, eldest son of Samuel. He is said to have m. Priscilla Marsh, May 6, 1708. If he lived unm. to that date, he was a bachelor over 40 yrs. of age. This was uncommon in those days, and is rendered quite improbable by two deeds in Suffolk Registry. One of these, dated 1706 or 7, — B. 33, p. 138, — purports to convey a certain est. to William Hayward of Mendon, "who m. Esther, the dr. of John Harbor." The other, dated May 2, 1712, — B. 31, p. 194, etc., — purports to be a gift-deed from William Hayward of Mendon to his son Samuel, in which his wf. Priscilla joins as relinquishing her right of dower. Hence I presume that William was m. to Esther Harbor, perhaps about 1688, and so had a son Samuel over 21 yrs. of age in 1712. The birth of that son is not on Mendon records. That son is the lineal progenitor

of our present Samuel P. Hayward at So. Milford. The first Mendon William had a son William, born of the same mother, Esther Harbor, also a son John and two or three daughters. These last-mentioned are named on the birth-records of Mendon, but I found no chn. of Priscilla Marsh. The son William appears to have dwelt on our borders in 1741; for he is mentioned, along with several others, in the act incorporating the Easterly Precinct, as privileged to belong to it for all religious purposes. He is afterwards designated in deeds of land to his chn. as of Upton. He owned lands within our limits, prob. inherited from his fr. and gd. fr. He had sons Joseph, Elijah, and William. The latter certainly owned considerable parcels of land in now Milford, and he or his son William, jun., or both, must have dwelt here at one period. The land which constituted the farm on Congress St., long owned by Caleb Cheney, sen., and Caleb, jun., with perhaps still larger tracts, once belonged to William Hayward, sen., or William, jun., or both; but I have not traced the titles thoroughly enough to give any statement of successive ownership and times of occupancy, nor can I say what became of the last William and his family. I therefore leave that matter, and turn to the lineage of our Samuel P. Hayward.

HAYWARD, SAMUEL[3] (William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Nov. 22, 1696; m. *Hannah Thompson;* cer. in Boston, Sept. 25, 1717, by Samuel Checkley, Esq. He seems to have left but 2 sons, Hezekiah and Samuel, and 1 dr., Comfort. He d. in middle age, and his will is recorded in Suffolk Registry, B. 23, p. 86. That will shows careful provision made for his wf. Hannah and his 3 chn. Of him I learn little, save what is set forth in that will.

HAYWARD, HEZEKIAH[4] (Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 25, 1719; m., 1st, *Esther Green*, dr. of John and Lydia Green, b. Mendon, Jan. 22, 1720–21; cer. 1744. Their chn.:—

COMFORT, b. Feb. 5, 1745; m. Nicholas Trask, jun., 1763.

JOHN, b. Oct. 9, 1750; known as Dea. John; m. Mary Penniman, Nov. 2, 1775.

SARAH, b. Sept. 2, 1753; m. Lovell Partridge, 1773.

Mrs. Esther d. March 2, 1758. The hus. m., 2d, *Dorothy Harding* of Medway; cer. Sept. 13, 1759, by Rev. Mr. Thurston. No chn. recorded. I conjecture, but do not know, that Hezekiah Hayward dwelt on the homestead known in our times as the Nathan Hayward place, half a mile south of So. Milford post-office. Mrs. Dorothy d. April 14, 1799, in her 79th yr. Hezekiah himself d. March 21, 1802, in his 84th yr.

HAYWARD, Dea. JOHN[5] (Hezekiah,[4] Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Oct. 9, 1750; m. *Mary Penniman*, dr. of Lieut. Samuel (*alias* "Landlord") and Huldah (White) Penniman, b. where Samuel P. Hayward now lives, Jan. 9, 1758; cer. Nov. 2, 1775. Issue:—

JOTHAM, b. June 18, 1777; m. Levier Gould; no chn.

SAMUEL, b. no date; presumed to have d. in early infancy.

ESTHER, b. 1783; m. Dexter Thayer.

NATHAN, b. 1789; m., 1st, Lavina Thayer; 2d, Ruth Newell; 3d, Love Burr.

Dea. John and wf. were exemplary members of the ancient First ch. in Mendon. They lived and d. on the place above described, which I suppose he inherited from his fr., Hezekiah. He d. Feb. 17, 1830, in his 80th yr. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. Jan. 12, 1837, a. 79 yrs.

HAYWARD, JOTHAM[6] (Dea. John,[5] Hezekiah,[4] Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. June 18, 1777; m. Levier Gould. They had no chn.

They dwelt on a part of the paternal homestead which came by deed from

his fr., Dea. John, as I presume to think. His wf. was a very kind-hearted, neighborly woman, and he a well-disposed man and citizen. Much to his credit, he abandoned the habit of using intoxicating liquors in his old age, and became a stanch total-abstinence man during all his latter yrs. He d. Feb. 26, 1854, a. 77 yrs. Mrs. Levier, his wid., d. the same yr., Aug. 19, a. 72 yrs.

HAYWARD, Capt. NATHAN[6] (Dea. John,[5] Hezekiah,[4] Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. 1789; m., 1st, *Lavina Thayer*, ptge., etc., not given, March 21, 1809, who d. childless; 2d, *Ruth Newell*, dr. of Elisha and Phebe (Ballou) Newell, b. Cumberland, R.I., 1783; date of cer., etc., not given. Issue:—

LAVINA, b. Jan. 31, 1812; m. Daniel J. Pickering, Dec. 6, 1840.

ESTHER, b. June 14, 1814; d. Oct. 4, same yr.

SAMUEL PENNIMAN, b. March 15, 1816; m. Rachel Rhodes, March 19, 1845.

JOHN ROBINSON, b. Dec. 8, 1819; m., 1st, Olive Cook, Jan. 25, 1844; 2d, Sally Cook, Oct. 24, 1847.

MARY PENNIMAN, b. Jan. 27, 1823; m. William Fairbanks, Oct. 26, 1853.

Capt. Nathan commanded, in his prime, the Mendon Light Infantry Company, famous in its day. He was an energetic man, a thrifty farmer on the paternal homestead, and a stanch citizen of the old Democratic school. Mrs. Ruth d. March 23, 1850; and the hus. m., 3d, *Love Burr*, May 8, 1851; no particulars of ptge., birth-date, or cer. given. Issue:—

RUTH ELLA, b. June 26, 1852.

Capt. Nathan d. July 7, 1858. Mrs. Love (Burr), his wid., survives, and dwells in town, No. 39 So. Main St.

HAYWARD, SAMUEL PENNIMAN[7] (Capt. Nathan,[6] Dea. John,[5] Hezekiah,[4] Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 15, 1816; m. *Rachel Gaskill Rhodes*, dr. of John and Anna (Cook) Rhodes, b. Bell., Aug. 24, 1821; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., March 19, 1845, by Rev. John Boyden. Issue:—

ANNA RHODES, b. Nov. 12, 1846; m. Henry Esbond Staples, April 24, 1876.

FRANK SAMUEL, b. July 20, 1851; m. Hannah Eliza Frink, Nov. 15, 1874.

ALZIE RACHEL, b. Sept. 19, 1858.

A worthy and respected family. Samuel P. and wf. res. in So. Milford, on the place, and nearly the spot, where his gt. gd. fr. on the mr.'s side, "Landlord" Penniman, *alias* Lieut. Samuel, dwelt and kept a public house in the olden time.

HAYWARD, FRANK SAMUEL[8] (Samuel P.,[7] Capt. Nathan,[6] Dea. John,[5] Hezekiah,[4] Samuel,[3] William,[2] Samuel[1]), b. July 20, 1851; m. *Hannah Eliza Frink*, dr. of Alfred L. and Louisa A. (Bancroft) Frink, b. Mil., Dec. 13, 1851; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 15, 1874, by the writer. Issue:—

NATHAN ALFRED, b. March 9, 1876.

ELSIE LILLIAN, b. Nov. 26, 1877.

ADDIE, b. Oct. 19, 1879.

This promising pair have made a good beginning. They dwell just north of Samuel P.'s, very near by, on the ancient Penniman premises.

MISCELLANEOUS.

As before stated, I have left out of this collection of family records all the Haywards and Howards that I knew, or strongly suspected, to be descendants of William Hayward, who inhabited "The Farm," or "Farms," so called, now a part of Bellingham. If I have included any such, I have done so inadvertently, or through misunderstanding. Others, that belong properly to the lineages given, have, no doubt, been left out by mistake, and still others whose

births, marriages, and deaths were never recorded. As already hinted, this Hayward and Howard part of my genealogy has been exceedingly perplexing and difficult of execution. I thought that of the Albees very hard, but *this* transcends *that*. I fear I have fallen into several errors; but I have done my best, and must be excused for the short-comings which may be detected. I will subjoin in this miscellany such families, couples, and individuals on record as I cannot with certainty place under the lineages presented on the foregoing pages.

HAYWARD, JOHN, and *Hannah* had, —

SARAH, b. Jan. 21, 1731.

HULDAH, b. Dec. 16, 1731; d. in early infancy.

JOHN, b. Dec. 12, 1732; prob. m. Anne Alexander, May 15, 1754.

There was a John Hayward who m. Hannah Baxter of Braintree, March 6, 1728-29. I suppose this to be that John, and suspect that he must have been the son of Great-meadow Jonathan by his 2d wf. Grace, who was b. Feb. 4, 1709. This is probable, though not certain. He d. about 1735; and his wid. afterwards m. William Arnold of Smithfield, R.I.

HAYWARD, JOHN, prob. son of the preceding, m. *Anne Alexander*, May 15, 1754. And they had, —

ANNE, b. Dec. 16, 1756; no further traced.

HULDAH, b. March 9, 1759; no further traced.

JOHN, b. Sept. 22, 1761; no further traced.

This John d. about 1774, and his wid. administered on his estate.

HAYWARD, JOSEPH, prob. a son of William of Upton, who was gd. son of Samuel, the Mendon proprietor; m. *Ruth Jones* of Uxbridge, Dec. 28, 1749; cer. by Rev. Nathan Webb. This Joseph had only one of his chn. christened in our Precinct, and must, I think, have res. mostly in old Mendon. His chn.: —

RHODA, b. April 15, 1751.

HANNAH, b. Oct. 28, 1752.

MERCY, b. May 16, 1756.

LOUISA, b. March 27, 1767.

NAHUM, b. Aug. 7, 1773.

HAYWARD, JONATHAN, Jun., m. *Mary Vickery*, July 12, 1769. I do not exactly see where this Jonathan, jun., belongs. Issue: —

MARY, b. Nov. 20, 1769.

ELIAB, b. Oct. 15, 1771.

There are several other Hayward families on Mendon records, but I cannot distinguish clearly their localities. I think, however, that most of them dwelt outside of our territory, either in old Mendon or Upton. I therefore refrain from any further tracement.

HEMENWAY, DANIEL, of Holl.; pedigree not traced; m. *Chloe Parkhurst*, dr. of Ebenezer and Mercy (Hill) Parkhurst, b. Nov. 11, 1781; cer. Oct. 18, 1804, by Rev. David Long. Issue: —

ELIZA, b. Feb. 2, 1808.

JANE OLCOTT, b. Dec. 17, 1809.

ELISHA EMMONS, b. Sept. 19, 1810.

JAMES MONROE, b. May 24, 1819.

Capt. Hemenway res. several yrs. in town, and had the above-mentioned births of chn. recorded here. He and his family seem to have left Mil. for some other locality, and I do not attempt to trace them further.

HEMENWAY, FRANK, straw-worker; appears in directories from 1875 down to 1880.

HENRY, JOSEPH, and *Calista*, pedigree and antecedents not ascertained, are credited with the following births of chn.:—

MATILDA, b. May 5, 1835.

CELIA MARIA, b. Jan. 15, 1838; and CALISTA J., b. July 25, 1840; d. March 6, 1842. No further traced.

IN DIRECTORIES.

HENRY, ELIZA, wid., house Water St., near Main. 1869.

HENRY, JOHN Q., of firm "Henry & Daniels." 1869 to '80.

HENRY, LEWIS, bootmaker. 1869 and '72.

HENRY, J. CHARLES, with John J. Mead. 1880.

HENRY, THOMAS, spindle-maker; house near Mill River. 1880.

HERO. This name has sometimes been written Harod and Haro, but for a long time Hero. The first recorded mention of the name I could find was in Middlesex Registry of Deeds, where a conveyance of land was made from Simpson Jones to John Haro, both of Hop., and also the premises, bearing date Nov. 13, 1756. A tradition has been in vogue that this John Haro was an Englishman, who served in Burgoyne's army, and was taken prisoner by the Americans when he surrendered. The above-mentioned deed of 1756 would seem to show that there is some mistake about that tradition, since he was an inhabitant of Hop. some yrs. before the Revolutionary war. Perhaps he may have been an English soldier in the last of the French wars, who drifted into Hop., and set. there. I leave this point in suspense. He is said to have m. Sarah Chamberlain, and to have had 2 chn., a son and a dr. The d., Lois, m. Daniel Bowker of Hop. The son's name was John, and he set. in that peculiar locality of ours sometimes called "Wild Cat." There he had a farm of about 63 acres, deeded to him by Thomas Hayden, under date of March 1, 1777. It was wild, unbroken land; and it is told that he cleared most of it by hard toil, digging it over with a stout bog-hoe till fit for tillage. Our old settlers were not afraid of manual labor. This farm was then in Hop., next in Holl., and at last in Mil., the town boundaries having undergone several changes.

HERO, JOHN[2] (JOHN[1]), b. Hop., July 9, 1752; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Chamberlain; m. *Hannah Hayden*, prob. dr. of Thomas and Sarah Hayden, b. Hop., 1759; cer. in Hop., date not given, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Their chn.:—

EBEN, b. 1780; res. and d. in Brookline.

SALLIE, b. 1782; m. William Bowker.

JOHN, b. 1784; m. Polly Claflin, 1810.

BETSEY, b. 1786; m. John Ellis, Nov. 3, 1808.

ABRAHAM, b. 1788; m. Polly Needham, Nov. 3, 1808.

AARON, b. 1791; m. Emily Claflin, June 8, 1820.

John Hero[2] d. on his homestead, then in Holl., 1826. His son John set. his est. as executor. Mrs. Hannah, the wid., d. on the same homestead, then in Mil., June 2, 1847.

HERO, JOHN[3] (JOHN,[2] JOHN[1]), b. Hop., 1784; m. *Polly Claflin*, dr. of Rufus and Hephzibah (Bolster) Claflin, b. Hop., 1791; date and particulars of cer. not given, but prob. 1810 is the date. Their chn.:—

SUSANNAH H., b. Mil., Feb. 3, 1811; m. Lemuel Leland, Dec. 22, 1828.

HORACE B., b. Mil., Dec. 9, 1812; m. Almira Phipps, May 10, 1842.

ELIZA H., b. Mil., Dec. 22, 1814; m. Paschal N. Parkhurst, Nov. 14, 1833.

HANNAH H., b. Mil., March 10, 1817; m. John Phipps, 1839.

John H., b. Mil., Dec. 30, 1820; m. Irene M. Parkhurst, Sept. 22, 1850.
Izanna C., b. Mil., Oct. 19, 1822; m. Joel Chapin, July 13, 1843.
Edwin H., b. Mil., July 27, 1831; m. Ruth Brown, Feb. 6, 1856.

A very worthy family, abundant in honesty, kindness, and good works. John[3] inherited a part of the paternal homestead, was a farmer and bootmaker, a good neighbor and citizen, and had a wf. of like moral qualities. She d. May 11, 1832. He long survived her, through yrs. of loneliness and infirmity, but kindly comforted and cared for by his chn. He d. quietly, May 26, 1861. I ministered at both their funerals, as at many others of the family connection.

HERO, Abraham[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. 1788; m. *Polly Needham* of Holl., ptge. and birth-date not ascertained; cer. Holl., Nov. 3, 1808, by Jason Chamberlain, Esq. No further particulars ascertained.

HERO, Aaron[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. 1791; m. *Emily Claflin*, dr. of Rufus and Hephzibah (Bolster) Claflin, b. Hop., date not given; cer. Mil., June 8, 1820, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Issue:—

Almira, b. Feb. 20, 1823.
William, b. Aug. 3, 1825; d. young.
William D., b. May 6, 1827.
Mary, b. Dec. 16, 1832; m. Albert M. Ellis, 1853.
Hiram, b. July 23, 1836; m. Delia Strong; he d. Dec. 4, 1859, a. 36 yrs.

Aaron Hero inherited a portion of the patrimonial homestead, and dwelt in the old domicile. I think he was partly farmer and partly bootmaker. He was a well-disposed, peaceable citizen, and had an excellent wf. I shall always gratefully remember that, in 1829, when my now only surviving child, Mrs. Heywood, was a motherless and puny infant, Mrs. Hero took her home and nursed her at her own breast, with the tenderest care, into healthful vigor. Both she and her hus. were very kind and accommodating to me, and quite moderate in their charges. He d. on his homestead, Jan. 20, 1865. She subsequently went to Hammonton, N.J., either on a visit to her niece, Mrs. Paschal N. Parkhurst, or perhaps to res. there, and d. in the spring of 1865, surviving her hus. only a few months. If I mistake not, all their chn. preceded them to the spirit-land.

HERO, Horace B.[4] (John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Holl., Dec. 9, 1812; m. *Almira Phipps*, dr. of Moses and Hannah (Adams) Phipps, b. Hop., April 9, 1822; cer. at Hopedale, in the "Old House," May 10, 1842, by the writer. Issue:—

Cora A., b. Mil., July 12, 1844; m. John S. Mayhew, Dec. 20, 1864.
Ada P., b. Mil., Nov. 26, 1847; m. Edwin O. Hunt, Sept. 9, 1868.
Abbie L., b. Mil., July 26, 1850.
Bertha M., b. Mil., Sept. 9, 1860.

An intelligent and worthy family. Mr. H. has always res. in town since manhood, has long been domiciliated on Cedar St., has been an extensive trader, especially in real estate, is a large landholder in Mil. and the neighboring towns, served 3 yrs. on the board of selectmen between 1844 and 1851, and represented the town in Gen. Court 1848, '52, and '55.

Grandchn.:—

Aaron H. Mayhew, b. May 19, 1867. See Mayhew.
Maybel L. Mayhew, b. Aug. 5, 1871.
Landon E. Hunt, b. Jan. 19, 1869.
Harry E. Hunt, b. Feb. 11, 1876. See Hunt.

HERO, John H., M.D.[4] (John,[3] John,[2] John[1]) b. Holl., Dec. 30, 1820; m. *Irene M. Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1822; cer. Sept. 22, 1850. Issue:—

Butler W., b. Westboro', April 2, 1859.

George H., b. Mil., March 10, 1861.

John P., b. Westboro', Oct. 18, 1863; d. Mil., Aug. 10, 1865.

Dr. Hero studied medicine with Dr. Butler Wilmarth of Hopedale, and graduated at Central Medical Coll., Syracuse, N.Y. There was strong friendship and confidence between him and Dr. Wilmarth, which, in 1852, brought them into an important co-partnership. That yr. they purchased together the large hotel premises in Westboro', in the locality some time known as Wessonville, and opened an establishment for the treatment of disease by different kinds of baths and hygienic means. Unfortunately this hopeful connection was suddenly dissolved by the terrible catastrophe of May 6, 1853, in which Dr. Wilmarth was killed at Norwalk Bridge, Ct. Dr. Hero, however, went on with the institution, and afterward combined with it the "Willow-Park Seminary" for young ladies. Some changes have since been made; but the doctor and his devoted wf. have dwelt there, for the most part, and conducted its operations ever since. The doctor has an eminently versatile genius in many directions of usefulness to his fellow-creatures, is a downright devotee of human progress, has several times rescued himself from threatened dissolution, has invented valuable remedies for dangerous diseases, in fine, is deservedly loved by all who have come within the sphere of his benign influence. And his wf. is worthy of her relationship to him.

HERO, Edwin H.[4] (John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Mil., July 27, 1832; m. *Ruth Brown*, dr. of Abel and Polly (Pond) Brown, b. Mil., Feb. 23, 1837; cer. Mil., Feb. 6, 1856, by Rev. J. R. Johnson. Issue:—

Ila P., b. Mil., July 7, 1857; m. S. Frank Phipps, Hop., July 17, 1878.

John D., b. Mil., April 9, 1859; d. May 9, 1863.

One gd. child, Frank Phipps, b. Jan. 6, 1880; d. the next day.

Edwin H. has occupied a less conspicuous position in society than his two older bros., but has been a useful industrian in various pursuits, latterly as an employé in the Spaulding Straw Manufactory. He and his family do no dishonor to a worthy lineage.

HEWINS, Lemuel F., pedigree untraced; m. *Elizabeth Thayer* of Mendon, pedigree untraced, in Oct., 1838, and had one birth recorded here and one death; viz.,—

Sarah Jane, b. place and date not found; d. July 17, 1840.

William Henry, b. Nov. 8, 1840.

I have not looked for later dates; but I perceive, by the directories, that Mr. H. has res. in town from 1856 to 1880. Probably he has been here ever since 1840. No family record from him.

HEWINS, John E., bootmaker, appeared in Directory of 1869.

HEYWOOD, Rev. William Sweetser[6] (John,[5] Timothy,[4] Phinehas,[3] John,[2] John,[1] ancestral immigrant not ascertained), b. in Westminster, Aug. 23, 1824; mr.'s maiden name Betsey Edgell; m. *Abbie S. Ballou*, dr. of Adin and Abigail (Sayles) Ballou, b. Mil., Jan. 30, 1829; cer. in Hopedale Chapel, May 11, 1851, by the writer. Issue:—

Lucy Florence, b. Hopedale, July 28, 1861; now student in Smith Coll.

Mr. H. was endowed by nature with a superior mental and moral constitution, enjoyed what may be called a semi-collegiate education, and has diligently improved good opportunities for self-culture in many branches of useful knowledge. He became early interested in all the great moral reforms of the age; and, being attracted to the Hopedale Community as a practical focus of

these reforms, took up his res. here in 1848. Having prepared himself for the work of the Christian ministry, he was approbated, and commenced preaching. He was regularly ordained as an evangelist at Hopedale, May 25, 1849. His executive abilities in various directions readily advanced him to influential official positions in the Community, culminating at length in its presidency. Besides much pulpit service, and a long associate editorship of "The Practical Christian," our Community organ, he was an active promoter of education. In the spring of 1856 he and his wf., both eminently competent teachers, established "The Hopedale Home School," — an institution of high merit, which had a successful run of seven yrs., and graduated numerous students, who cherish fond recollections of its privileges. Since leaving Hopedale, in 1864, Mr. H. has been set. in the ministry as pastor at Scituate, Hudson, and Holyoke, having enjoyed a well-earned reputation for usefulness and fidelity in all the spheres he has occupied. His present pastorate is in Holyoke. During the yr. 1878 he made a six months' tour through Europe, and came home richly laden with the carefully garnered fruits of his observations. Since his return he has given very interesting lectures on the more important facts and incidents of that tour.

HEYWOOD, JOHN LOWELL[6] (John,[5] Timothy,[4] Phinehas,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Westminster, Sept. 29, 1830; mr.'s maiden name, Betsey Edgell; m. *Adelia Lucy Everett*, dr. of Joshua T. and Sally (Brown) Everett, b. in Princeton, Nov. 28, 1831; cer. in Hopedale Chapel, Nov. 20, 1853, by the writer. Their chn.: —

WILLIAM EVERETT, b. Hopedale, Feb. 17, 1859; d. Jan. 24, 1866, a. 6 yrs. 11 mos.

ROSA VILORA, b. Hopedale, May 14, 1866.

Mr. and Mrs. Heywood became members of the Hopedale Community Nov. 1, 1854; res. here several yrs., and afterward a while in the Centre; he as partner with W. J. Bartlett in the hardware trade. They had an early start on the reform wave, had an excellent intellectual and moral development, and have exemplified well their professed principles. They have had an overshare of reverses in life, which they have borne with commendable fortitude and hopefulness. Latterly, for several yrs., they have res. in Illinois, mainly engaged in agricultural pursuits.

HEYWOOD, PORTER P., a bro. of the two preceding, taught one of our public grammar-schools for a short time several yrs. ago; but is now in a responsible and lucrative position at the West in the insurance business.

HILDRETH, ELIJAH H., farmer; b. in Chesterfield, N.H., Oct. 7, 1800; a son of Elijah and Zerviah K. Hildreth; m. *Mary*, dr. of Lotin and Sarah (Pierce) Hildreth, b. in Chesterfield, N.H., July 9, 1802; cer. May 2, 1824, by Rev. John Walker; res. N. H., N. Y., and Mass. Their chn.: —

CHARLES F., b. Chesterfield, N.H., Oct. 9, 1825.

NORMAN N., b. Chesterfield, N.H., Nov. 6, 1829; m.; 1 child; d.; 1 alive; res. Upton.

SARAH C. } (twins), b. Wheatfield, N.Y., May 28, 1837.
JAMES E. } b. Wheatfield, N.Y., May 28, 1837.

WATSON J., b. Chesterfield, N.H., Feb. 5, 1843; m. Ava Capen; 4 chn.; res. Holl.

The parents are advanced in yrs., infirm in health, and struggling commendably under adversity to fight out the battle of life.

HILL, JOHN[5] (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] John,[2] John[1] of Dorchester and first of

Plymouth), b. Holl., Sept. 16. 1717; m. *Thankful Underwood* of Holl.; cer. June 4, 1744, by Rev. Joshua Prentice. Their chn.: —

DAVID, b. Holl., May 19, 1745; d. young.

SARAH, b. Holl., March 6, 1747; m. Stephen Chapin, Feb. 27, 1766.

DAVID, b. Holl., April 27, 1749; m. Judith ——.

MERCY, b. Holl., Feb. 29, 1753; m. Ebenezer Parkhurst, Dec. 22, 1768.

MARY, b. in our Precinct; bap. Jan. 18, 1756; untraced.

MILLA, b. in our Precinct; bap. July 16, 1758; untraced.

John Hill bought first on our territory the 80-acre farm of Thomas Beard; sen., and Thomas Beard, jun., lying just south of the Ichabod Thayer place, deed dated March 16, 1757. Next he purchased of Dea. Abijah French, the Elihu Perry place in 1767. He and his son David afterwards owned the Zuriel Howard place, and sold it to Ephraim Chapin, 1779. John Hill, the fr., was then said to be of Warwick, Mass. So I suppose he had removed thither, and set. there. He and his wf. were members of our Cong. ch., and their younger chn. were all bap. here. I infer that the family must have been enterprising and substantial people.

HIXON, ALFRED, son of Isaac and Persis (Adams) Hixon (gd. parents Seth and Bethiah Hixon), b. Medway, Jan. 3, 1815; m. *Julia A. Vaughn*, dr. of Clark L. and Julia A. (Fales) Vaughn, b. Bristol, R.I., Dec. 21, 1819; cer. in Bristol, R.I., Jan. 1, 1844, by Rev. Dr. Thomas Shepard. Their chn.: —

CHARLES F., b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 27, 1845; m. May 10, 1876, Mary A. Moore.

HARRIET L., b. Woonsocket, R.I., Nov. 7, 1847; d. Aug. 1, 1850.

ASA H., b. Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 21, 1849; d. April 17, 1849.

ALFRED LEWIS, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Jan. 17, 1856; m. Ella Mary Howard, Oct. 2, 1878.

WILLIAM FALES, b. Mil., June 4, 1860; m. Jennie Eliza Pratt, April 24, 1881. One *gd. child*, dr. of Charles F. at Woonsocket, R.I.; viz., —

HARRIET P. HIXON, b. Oct. 31, 1877.

Very worthy family. Mr. H. formerly res. in Woonsocket, R.I., but has now for many yrs. in Mil. He has become well known and almost famous as our principal auctioneer. He gives general satisfaction in this line, and has a successful run of business. He has latterly become a commission merchant; and his establishment, No. 3 Church Block, attracts numerous customers: house 87 Main St. (East).

HIXON, GEORGE L., is put down in our Directory for 1880 as bootmaker; house Camp St. No report from him in respect to his family record. Other Hixons have dwelt more or less transiently in town.

HOLBROOK. Our Holbrooks are believed to be the descendants of Thomas Holbrook,[1] through Thomas,[2] whose res. was in Scituate, Weymouth, and Braintree prior to 1653. When Thomas[2] made his will, July 25, 1695, he gave to his son Peter "all that estate of lands and meadows in Mendon" which he purchased of his bro. William. Peter set. in Mendon, and was known as Dea. Peter. He d. 1712, and willed his real estate, mostly in what became Bellingham, to his chn. They were, —

JOHN, b. Braintree, Sept. 24, 1679; d. Bell., May 11, 1765, 86th yr.

PETER, b. Mendon, Oct. 16, 1681; d. Bell., Dec. 24, 1728.

JOSEPH, b. Mendon, May 8, 1683; d. Bell., April 25, 1750, 67th yr.

SYLVANUS, b. Mendon, Aug. 15, 1685; d. Uxbridge, 1740.

RICHARD, b. Mendon, May 30, 1690; d. about 1770.

ELIPHALET, b. Mendon, Jan. 27, 1691; d. Bell., Oct. 19, 1775, 84th yr.
WILLIAM, b. Mendon, March 28, 1693; m. Hopestill Read, April 9, 1722.
SAMUEL, b. Mendon, Feb. 27, 1695-96; m. Hannah Albee.
THOMAS, b. Mendon; d. Aug. 15, 1702. Two drs., Johanna and Mary, are named, but nothing reported of them.

Several Holbrook families in Bell., and on the skirts of our territory, appear to have been connected with the Easterly Precinct in Mr. Frost's time, were members of his ch., and had their chn. bap. by him. I cannot include all these, but shall record in my tables only such as seem to have dwelt within or very near our borders.

HOLBROOK, ELIPHALET[4] (Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b., as above, Jan. 27, 1691; m. Johanna Rockwood, b. Aug .15, 1692; cer. Nov. 7, 1716. Chn.:—
EBENEZER, b. Mendon, June 3, 1717; m., 1st, Keziah White; 2d, Abigail Adams.
SETH, b. Bell., Feb. 26, 1721; d. Sept. 26, 1747.
ELIPHALET, b. Bell., Oct. 25, 1725; d. April 28, 1776.
NOAH, b. Bell., Dec. 26, 1727; untraced.
CALEB, b. Bell., Jan. 14, 1731; untraced.
ELIJAH, b. Bell., May 6, 1736; d. May 2, 1740.
JOHANNA, b. Bell., July 21, 1738; untraced.
The fr. d., as above written, Oct. 19, 1775, 84th yr.

HOLBROOK, Dea. EBENEZER[5] (Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. June 3, 1717; m., 1st, *Keziah White* of Bell.; cer. April 26, 1748, by Rev. A. Frost. Chn.:—
ABIGAIL, b. May 22, 1749.
ELIOENAI, b. June 29, 1750.
ZIBA, b. Aug. 8, 1752; m. Rebecca Kimball, Nov. 7, 1782.
DARIUS, b. Jan. 8, 1754.
EBENEZER, b. April 7, 1755; d. Aug. 30, 1764.
The 1st wf. d. about this time; and the hus. m., 2d, *Abigail Adams* of Wrentham; cer. Sept. 12, 1757, by Rev. A. Frost. Chn.:—
RHODA, b. Aug. 25, 1758.
KEZIAH, b. March 17, 1760.
EBENEZER, b. Oct. 24, 1762; d. Jan. 6, 1767.
CALVIN, b. Jan. 6, 1765; m. Sabra Partridge, Dec. 13, 1792.
ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 21, 1766.
Mrs. Abigail d July 16, 1799. Dea. Ebenezer d. May 30, 1805. We are concerned next with,—

HOLBROOK, ZIBA[6] (Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 8, 1752; m. *Rebecca Kimball;* cer. Nov. 7, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. Chn.:—
ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 2, 1782; m. Warren Lazel, Bell., May 10, 1804.
REBECCA, b. Dec. 21, 1784; m. Aretas Graves of Boston, May 15, 1809. She d. in Cincinnati, O., a. 77 yrs.
OLIVE, b. Aug. 20, 1787.
MARY, b. 1790; d. Nov. 5, 1819.
JOEL, b. July 11, 1792; m. Roxana Hawes.
Mr. Ziba d. July 7, 1829, a. 77 yrs. Mrs. Rebecca d. April 17, 1843, a. 84 yrs.

HOLBROOK, CALVIN[6] (Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Jan. 6, 1765; m. *Sabra Partridge*, Dec. 13, 1792; further particulars not ascertained. Chn.:—

KEZIAH, b. Feb. 2, 1794; m., 1st, Nathan Albee, March 10, 1825; 2d, Josiah Gould, Sept. 22, 1833.

LUCRETIA, b. Jan. 11, 1796; m., 1st, Partridge Pond, June 25, 1818; 2d, Ezra Allen, June 5, 1842.

THERON, b. March 29, 1798; m. Nancy Partridge, April 23, 1823.

JAMES, b. Dec. 23, 1800; m. Mahala D. Towl, Jan. 19, 1834.

LUTHER, b. Aug. 17, 1804; m. Mary Ann Flagg, Jan. 20, 1828.

BENJAMIN, b. Jan. 18, 1807; d. April 28, 1820.

HORACE } twins, b. May 5, 1809; m. Sarah B. Holbrook, 1842.
SABRA } twins, b. May 5, 1809; untraced.

PARTRIDGE, July 18, 1812; m. Diadama Flagg, June 20, 1838.

OLIVE, b. Dec. 11, 1814; d. Nov. 17, 1817.

Mr. Calvin d. Aug. 8, 1825. Mrs. Sabra, his wid., m., for her 2d hus., Simeon Albee, April 5, 1827. She d. 1852.

HOLBROOK, SETH[6] (Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), a soldier of the Revolution, and drew a pension; b. Nov. 24, 1751; res. in Bell., near our border; m. *Dinah Holbrook*, and had chn., some of whom res. within our limits. The sons in this family were, —

LUKE, b. July 12, 1784; set. in the State of N. Y.

SABIN, b. Oct. 19, 1786; res. in Dorchester and Bell.; d. 1833.

SETH, Col., b. July 29, 1789; res. at one time So. Mil.; m., 1st, Olive Wales; 2d, Olive Hill.

VALENTINE RATHBON, b. Dec. 14, 1800; m. Adaline Taft of Mil., Sept. 1, 1827.

Have not traced this family further.

HOLBROOK, JOEL[7] (Ziba,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 11, 1792; m. *Roxana Hawes*, dr. of Elisha and Margaret (Hayden) Hawes, b. in Wrentham, Dec., 1793; cer. Wrentham, Feb. 24, 1821, by Rev. William Williams. Their chn.: —

CALEB M., b. Nov. 27, 1821; no report from Caleb.

ABIGAIL C., b. Feb. 3, 1824; m. Gardner P. Barber, Oct. 24, 1848.

GEORGE A., b. June 17, 1828; m. Ellen M. Goodrich, April 23, 1857.

I am not aware that there were any other chn. This family dwelt on the paternal homestead, east of Bear Hill, near the Bell. line, many yrs. Mrs. Roxana was skilled in straw-braid fabrics, and evinced much enterprise in that line of business. At length the chn. grew up, and all went to Hartford, Ct., where several partners built up a large boot, shoe, and leather establishment. The firm included one of the sons and G. P. Barber, the son-in-law. The other son entered into another similar firm. They were successful, and the parents were very naturally drawn to spend the evening of their days with them. Mr. Joel, the father, d. in West Hartford, May 16, 1869, a. 78 yrs.; and I was called to minister at his funeral. Mrs. Holbrook still survived at my last advices, and was remarkably vigorous at the age of 87 yrs.

HOLBROOK, GEORGE A.[8] (Joel,[7] Ziba,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., June 17, 1828; mr.'s maiden name Roxana Hawes; manufacturer of fine shoes; firm, Clark & Holbrook, Hartford, Ct.; m. *Ellen M. Goodrich*, dr. of James and Jeanette (Skinner) Goodrich, b. Aug. 1, 1832; cer. April 23, 1857, by Rev. Dr. Horace Bushnell. Issue: —

NELLIE GOODRICH, b. Hartford, Ct., April 30, 1864.

MAY ABBIE, b. Hartford, Ct., June 12, 1866.

HOLBROOK, THERON[7] (Calvin,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2]

Thomas[1]), b. Mil., March 29, 1798; m. *Nancy Partridge*, dr. of Aaron and Abigail (Pond) Partridge, b. Bell., June 24, 1799; cer. April 23, 1823. Issue: —

AURELIUS, birth-date not found; d. June 20, 1825.

FRANCIS, birth-date not found; d. Sept. 21, 1825.

ALFRED ORISON, b. Jan. 29, 1827; d. Nov. 15, 1849.

MARY ANN, b. April 27, 1828; d. June 11, 1849.

JAMES MONROE, b. Oct. 18, 1829; d. Beaufort, N.C., May 2, 1864. See "War-Record."

FRANCIS LYMAN, b. March 23, 1838; d. Sept. 10, 1840.

Theron Holbrook had a homestead on West St., where he spent the latter portion of his life. He was a hard-working, honest, orderly citizen, much employed in stone-laying and farm-husbandry. He and his wf. had a reputable standing in society. They experienced many afflictions in the loss of chn., losing at length their only surviving son, James M., in the great war of the Rebellion. He had m. Charlotte Crocker some time before the war, and left her in widowhood, with 3 chn. Whether they, or any of them, survive, I am not informed. Theron d. ——. Mrs. Nancy d. Aug., 1872.

HOLBROOK, JAMES[7] (Calvin,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 23, 1800; m. *Mahala D. Towl*, parentage and birth-date not ascertained; cer. Jan. 19, 1834, by the writer. No chn. reported; certainly none that survived. An honest, toilsome man, little favored with worldly goods and prosperity. He d. in Holl., Sept. 3, 1871; and I ministered at his funeral. I think his wid. still survives.

HOLBROOK, LUTHER[7] (Calvin,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 17, 1804; m. *Mary Ann Daniels Flagg*, dr. of Zebediah and Anna (Sumner) Flagg, b. June 27, 1811; cer. Jan. 20, 1828, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Their chn.: —

AMY ANN S., b. Aug. 10, 1829; d. Sept. 18, 1838.

SARAH W., b. March 19, 1831; m. Julius Bates, May 14, 1848.

ELIZA JANE, b. Dec. 11, 1832; m. Lewis Nelson, Sept. 10, 1849; since d.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Sept. 7, 1834; d. Nov. 20, 1834.

DARIUS SUMNER, b. June 5, 1836; d. July 7, 1836.

MARIAN } twins, b. March 23, 1838; m., 1st, Ira Evans; 2d, Silas Williams, May 1, 1856.

MARION } twins, b. March 23, 1838; d. Sept. 22, 1838.

DAVID FLAGG, b. Jan. 2, 1840; m. Sarah Brown, July 4, 1861.

ANNA, b. Jan. 21, 1843; m. James Brown, July 4, 1861.

ABIGAIL LOUISA, b. Oct. 17, 1845; d. April 11, 1848.

HENRY AUGUSTUS, b. May 24, 1847; m. Alice Thayer, Dec. 11, 1873.

WILLIAM M., b. Aug. 17, 1850; d. July 16, 1852, a. 1 yr. 11 mos.

All honest, hard-working people, worthy and useful. The fr. d. April 18, 1856, a. 51 yrs. 7 mos. and 27 days. Mrs. Mary Ann, his wid., m., 2d, Harvey Bradford, some years subsequent. He d. in Northbridge, March 10, 1871, in his 71st yr. She still survives in comparative vigor.

HOLBROOK, HORACE[7] (Calvin,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 5, 1809; m. *Sarah B. Holbrook*, ptge. not ascertained; cer. April, 1842, by whom not learned. They dwell on the old Ebenezer Holbrook homestead, or at least a part of it; honest, industrious, frugal, comfortable livers. Issue: —

ARBA, b. Aug. 4, 1842; d. in infancy.

James Arba, b. April 6, 1843.

Further information asked for, but never given.

HOLBROOK, Partridge[7] (Calvin,[6] Ebenezer,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 18, 1812; m. *Diadama*, dr. of Zebadiah and Anna (Sumner) Flagg, b. Oct. 2, 1818; cer. June 20, 1838, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Frances Armenia, b. March 26, 1840; m. a Mr. Smith; d. March, 1871.

George Calvin, b. Sept. 12, 1841.

William, d. at the age of 3 or 4 yrs.

Susanna, m. Andrew Caswell.

Abbie, m., and lives out West.

Mrs. Diadama d. Sept., 1857. Partridge Holbrook himself d. in the autumn of 1874. I regret the brokenness of this family record, but circumstances necessitated it.

HOLBROOK, Dennis[7] (Nathan,[6] Eliphalet,[5] Eliphalet,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. 1799; m. *Rhoda B.*, dr. of Calvin and Hannah (Barber) Claflin, b. Holl., Oct. 10, 1805; cer. Nov. 24, 1824, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Elizabeth Caroline, b. Sept. 30, 1827; d. April, 1829.

Elizabeth Caroline, b. Sept. 7, 1830; m. Luther Phipps, Holl.; she d. July 5, 1863.

The husband was a skilful and industrious bootmaker, and the pair well esteemed for their many good qualities. He d. in Holl., July 30, 1848, in his 49th yr.; and I assisted in the funeral ministrations. His wid. subsequently m. Michael Byrnes; cer. in Woonsocket, R.I., Feb., 1851, by Rev. I. W. Woodin. They res. in Holl.

HOLBROOK, Benjamin[7] (Peter,[6] Benjamin,[5] Richard,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Mendon, July 24, 1790; m. *Polly*, birth-date, ptge., and day of mge., not ascertained. Their chn.:—

Sewall, b. Mendon, Jan. 5, 1812; m. and set. in Worcester.

Charles, b. Mendon, Dec. 15, 1817; untraced.

Benjamin, b. Mendon, March 20, 1820; m., lived, and d. in this town.

Mellen, b. Mendon, Dec. 2, 1822; untraced.

Delia M., b. Mendon, Sept. 20, 1825; m. in this town Samuel P. Dean, Feb. 21, 1850; d. July 29, 1867.

Albert, b. Mendon, Sept. 23, 1828; untraced.

Henry, b. Mendon, June 10, 1833; untraced.

The fr. was an ingenious, hard-working carpenter, but addicted to habits of inebriety, which wrung out a cup of sorrow to his wf., family, and himself. She d. of consumption, Feb. 14, 1839. He d. Oct. 21, 1840; a sad case. I ministered at the funeral of both. The family was worthy, justly respected, and called forth much sympathy. I solemnized the mge. of Delia M., in this town, in 1850. I am not certain whether she res. steadily in Mil., but I ministered at her funeral here in 1867. My record says she d. July 29 of that yr., a. 42 yrs. 10 mos. I have not followed the experiences of the other chn. closely enough to state them, except in the case of Benjamin.

HOLBROOK, Benjamin[8] (Benj.,[7] Peter,[6] Benj.,[5] Richard,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b., as above, March 20, 1820; m., 1st, *Louisa*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Oct. 9, 1813; cer. April, 1843. Their chn.:—

Mellen T., b. May 24, 1844; m. Minnie J. Emerson, July 15, 1865.

Elizabeth M., b. Jan. 29, 1848; d. Aug. 11, 1849.

Lemuel P., b. Oct. 28, 1849; d. May 17, 1850.

Abbie L., b. Aug. 7, 1852; d. Nov. 25, 1852.

The mr. d. Nov. 24, 1861. The fr. m., 2d, *Hopestill Corbett Perry*, dr. of Josiah and Anna (Corbett) Perry, b. Oct. 4, 1833; cer. some time in 1863. I do not learn that there were any chn. by this mge. Mr. H. d. Jan. 4, 1865. Mrs. Hopestill subsequently m. De Witt Clinton Gleason, Nov. 10, 1867.

HOLBROOK, MELLEN T.[9] (Benj.,[8] Benj.,[7] Peter,[6] Benj.,[5] Richard,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 24, 1844. At the age of 17 yrs. he enlisted for 3 yrs. in Reg. 40, N. Y. Vols., Co. G, and made himself a highly creditable reputation as a soldier (see "War-Record of the Rebellion," where his services are chronicled). Returning home, he m. *Minnie J. Emerson;* cer. July 15, 1865. Issue:—

BENJAMIN O., b. Feb. 6, 1867.

LOUISA P., b. June 27, 1868.

IRENE P., b. Jan. 20, 1872.

The family removed West in 1869; and the hus. was killed by lightning, July 13, 1872, a sad catastrophe for his wf., chn., relatives, and friends.

HOLBROOK, LEANDER, Esq.[9] (Peter,[8] David,[7] Peter,[6] Peter,[5] Peter,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Croydon, N.H., April 11, 1815; m. *Elizabeth C. Parkhurst*, dr. of Amasa and Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Sept. 12, 1820; cer. March 17, 1839, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

ORLANDO S., b. Mil., March 8, 1841; d. April 9, 1843.

LURINDA B., b. Mil., April 8, 1844; m. James F. Thomas, Boston, Dec. 7, 1869.

EMMA L., b. Mil., April 21, 1846.

MARY A., b. Mil., Nov. 10, 1847.

LEANDER, Jun., Esq., b. Mil., Dec. 31, 1849; grad. H. U., 1872; grad. from Law Department Boston University, 1876; commenced prac. law Mil., 1877, being commissioned as just. peace.

Leander, sen., Esq., was qualified for the practice of his profession in the Cambridge Law School, 1846, and opened his office here in 1847, being Milford's second regular lawyer in point of time. He has been honored by the town with several responsible offices, and has served efficiently on its school committee many yrs. The family enjoy deservedly the high respect of their vicinage.

HOLBROOK, AMOS, Esq., Dea., son of Dea. Elias of Sturbridge, came into town about the yr. 1854. I have been unable to trace his lineage beyond his fr. He practised land-surveying while res. here, was commissioned as just. peace by Gov. Banks in 1859, chosen dea. of the Cong. ch. in 1863, and transacted considerable professional as well as public business. He left town some 15 or more yrs. ago, and, if I have been correctly informed, became a licensed preacher, and a missionary at the West. I am uninformed as to his family record.

HOLBROOK, ELLIS, and wf. *Eliza*, pedigrees untraced, are credited on our records with the following specified births:—

GILBERT F., b. June 18, 1829.

MARCUS M., b. Shrewsbury, March 3, 1836.

LEWIS, b. Sutton, June 28, 1837.

PLINY A., b. Aug. 6, 1839.

Family no further traced.

HOLBROOK, EZRA F., lineage not traced, b. in Upton, April 23, 1826, son of Simeon and Clothilda (Farrer) Holbrook, boot-manufacturer; m., 1st, *Mary Clarke* of Concord, dr. of Joseph Clarke; cer. Feb., 1848. She was b. March 18, 1826; no further particulars given. Their chn.:—

Eugene Clarke, b. Jan. 27, 1850; m. Julia Frances Dodge, Providence, R.I., June 17, 1875.

Lutella, b. Feb., 1853; d. March, 1856.

Mrs. Mary is presumed to have d. at some date not given. The hus. m., 2d, *Julia Maria Fisher*, dr. of Daniel and Anna (Hayward) Fisher, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Oct. 18, 1827; cer. Mil., Dec. 18, 1854, by Rev. Mr. Plumb. Their chn.:—

Orlando, b. July 28, 1856; d. same day.

Annie May, b. Jan. 31, 1860.

I find in the return made me, on the back side, the name—

Eva Eldora Holbrook, said to be the dr. of Daniel Holbrook of Upton etc., b. March 31, 1853.

This may have been intended to signify that Eva was an adopted or foster dr. in the family. But, as this is not indicated, I give the matter as received. This family must have res. in town many yrs.

HOLBROOK, Sewall Bowker, lineage not traced, b. in Upton, Nov. 28, 1848, son of Ezra Ward and Polly (Hatch) Holbrook; machinist; m. *Abbie Maranda Barber*, dr. of Benjamin C. and Maranda (Cushing) Barber, b. May 22, 1849, in W. Medway; cer. at W. Med., May 21, 1870, by Stephen Knowlton. Mr. H. served 3 yrs. in the late civil war for the Union, and was wounded 3 times. The family has res. in town several yrs. Their chn.:—

William Benjamin, b. April 27, 1871; d. Feb. 2, 1872.

Frank Dana, b. Jan. 12, 1873.

HOLBROOK, Ezra[7] (John,[6] John,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Peter,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Swanzey, N.H., Aug. 17, 1776; m., 1st, *Sally Prime* of Swanzey, ptge., birth-date, and particulars of cer., not ascertained. Issue: 9 chn., of whom few particulars have been given me. Six of the oldest d. in infancy. The 7th was a son named Ezekiel, who served in the Seminole war in Florida, and d. there at the age of about 22 yrs. The 8th, named Joseph Warren, d. in Vienna, N.Y., in his 21st yr. The 9th, a dr. named Sarah Baker, was b. in Sharon, Mass., Nov. 7, 1820, and is the only survivor of the family. She became an early, exemplary, and adhesive member of the Hopedale Community, residing at Hopedale, with the exception of a few yrs. elsewhere, from 1842 till recently. She m. William Rich, from Lynn, July 2, 1845; cer. at Hopedale by Rev. Daniel S. Whitney. Issue: Sarah Wilmarth, b. July 1, 1846; d. April 20, 1848. Her hus. proved faithless and dissolute; and she obtained a legal separation from him, and resumed her maiden name. He is understood to have d., some yrs. ago, in California. She has had her baptismal discipline of sorrows, but her life has been replete with manifold ministrations of usefulness and mercy to appreciative recipients.

Ezra Holbrook's immediate ancestors were of Uxbridge, whence his fr. moved to Swanzey, N.H. Ezra lived in that town and vicinity many yrs., afterwards in Sharon, Mass., then in Roxbury, where Mrs. Sally, his 1st wf., d. in June, 1826. He afterwards went back to New Hampshire, and m., 2d, *Submit Field* of Winchester, N.H., in 1830. Later he moved to Vienna, N.Y., and finally, in his old age, came to Hopedale, with his 2d wf., into the kind care of his dr. Sarah. She did every thing in her power to ease their passage to a better world. He d. in Mil. Centre, June 30, 1851; and Mrs. Submit at Hopedale, March 15, 1859.

HOLMES, Stephen, and wf. *Hepsibah* (*Wilber*), pedigrees untraced, had the following specified births recorded on our books:—

Mary Ann, b. May 10, 1806.
Betsey, b. April 11, 1808.
William Godfrey, b. Sept. 4, 1809.
Hannah Maria, b. Nov. 16, 1814.
Stephen, jun., b. July 4, 1816.
Uthursey, b. Dec. 8, 1817.
Adaline, b. Aug. 28, 1819.

I can follow this family no further, except in the line of

HOLMES, William Godfrey, son of Stephen and Hepsibah (Wilber) Holmes, b. in Taunton, Sept. 4, 1809; shoemaker; m. *Betsey Ball*, dr. of Henry and Betsey (Claflin) Ball, b. in Needham, 1818; cer., date not given, by Rev. Ebenezer F. Newell. Issue:—

Otis Worthington, b. Hop., Nov. 26, 1835; m. Ellen M. Claflin, June 16, 1859.
John Parker, b. Hop., June 18, 1839; d. Aug. 26, 1842.
William, b. Hop., ——; d. at birth.
Oliver Dean, b. Mil., Jan. 21, 1849; m. Lucinda Kemp, May 6, 1869.
William Martin, b. Mil., June 10, 1851; m. Eliza A. Tobey, Sept. 28, 1870.

Grandchn., all bearing the name Holmes, and chn. of the above-named sons:—

John Parker, b. Mil., July 18, 1860.
Otis Worthington, b. Mil., Feb. 6, 1870.
Ellen Claflin, b. Mil., Nov. 5, 1871.
Arthur Sawyer, b. Holl., Oct. 5, 1873.
Clifton Emmons, b. Holl., April 13, 1872; d. May 18, 1872.
Winslow Herrick, b. Holl., Sept. 2, 1875; d. Aug. 6, 1876.

HOLMES, Capt. Otis Worthington, son of William G. and Betsey (Ball) Holmes, b. Hop., Nov. 26, 1835; m. *Ellen Maria Claflin*, dr. of James R. and Hannah C. (Farrington) Claflin, b. Holl., 1838; cer. under bride's parental roof, June 16, 1859, by the writer. Issue:—

John Parker, b. Mil., July 18, 1860; now in his 2d yr. Harvard University. A young man of brilliant promise.

Capt. Holmes gave his life for his country in the late dreadful civil war,—a most lamentable bereavement to his young wf. and family relatives. I have been furnished with a copy of "The American Volunteer" newspaper, dated Boston, March 31, 1866. This contains an obituary memoir of Capt. Holmes. I give this memoir to my readers entire:—

"Capt. Otis W. Holmes was b. in Hopkinton, Mass., Nov. 26, 1835. He was a quiet, thoughtful child; and one would never have seen in the timid, shrinking boy the brave soldier that he came to be.

"At the age of ten years he removed with his parents to Milford, a neighboring town, where he resided to the time of his enlistment. In this place were formed the pleasantest associations of his life. At the opening of the Rebellion his patriotism was deeply moved, but not until the early autumn did he feel forced to break away from all the pleasant ties that bound him to home and loving friends. Sept. 9, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Co. B, 25th Mass. Regiment, which was encamped on the agricultural grounds, Worcester. When the non-commissioned officers were elected, he was made fourth sergeant; and the color-sergeant having received an injury the day previous to the departure

of the regiment, he served in that capacity until the former was again fit for duty, and proudly bore the noble flag from that shouting yet tearful city.

"Having arrived at Annapolis, Md., the camp of instruction, measures were at once taken to prepare the regiment for active service. At the expiration of two months it embarked in the Burnside expedition. Uncomplainingly did he suffer the perils and privations occasioned by the fearful gale off Hatteras. He seemed deeply imbued with the importance of the success of that enterprise. In a letter to a friend he writes: 'I have given my whole heart to the work, and would sooner lose my life than that this expedition should prove a failure.'

"He passed safely through the battles of Roanoke and Newbern, and, while in the latter place, was made first sergeant. Aug. 12, 1862, he was transferred from the 25th to the 36th Mass. Regt., and made first lieutenant of Co. F, at which time he was presented with a sword and equipments from his Milford friends. The regiment was attached to the Ninth Corps, then connected with the army of the Potomac. Early the following spring the corps was detached, and sent to Newport News, for the purpose of recruiting health and spirits, and from thence to Kentucky. May 2, 1863, Lieut. Holmes was made captain of Co. B, — the 'Warren Phalanx,' — of the same regiment.

"During the siege of Vicksburg, the corps was ordered to Mississippi, and suffered severely from the intolerable heat of the climate, and the scarcity of food and water. After the lapse of a few months, having passed through the siege of Knoxville, and suffered the severities of a winter, almost entirely cut off from supplies, we find the corps again with the army of the Potomac, awaiting its participation in the bloody battle-scenes which followed. And most nobly did our hero bear himself through that horrible strife, ever preserving his accustomed cheerfulness, stimulating his comrades with his words of encouragement, half-dispelling, with his pleasant smiles, the gloom enshrouding them.

On the morning of the 17th of June, — on Bunker-Hill day, leading Bunker-Hill boys, defending Bunker-Hill principles, — Capt. Holmes fell, mortally wounded, in Gen. Burnside's charge before Petersburg. He was shot in the right lung; the ball, lodging against the spine, produced paralysis of the lower extremities. He survived seven days, and at times his sufferings were most intense. He was taken to Harewood General Hospital, Washington; and, on the evening of the 23d, his soul was released from its suffering and mutilated body.

"He met death, not with fear, but as a friend for whose coming he had previously prepared. From his brother officers have been received tributes of esteem. I quote the following: —

"'The death of Capt. Holmes has filled our regiment with sadness. He was a man of honor, of principle, of cool, far-sighted sagacity. I have seen him in camp, in storm, heat, cold, dust, battle, and pain, in Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, and back to Virginia to die; and I have always loved him for his kindness, respected him for his bravery and intelligence, admired him, for he was so much *a man*.'

"Another writes: —

"'It is much to say of an officer that he is cool and brave, equal to any emergency; but it is more to say of him that he is good and pure and true. Capt. Holmes was all of these: brave, as a soldier; pure, as a man. Neither his courage nor his honor was ever questioned. His love of country and love of home were shining traits of his character; and so often have I heard him speak of his home, that to see him there after the return of peace, and in its

quiet to live over again our many campaigns, was a hope that I had come to cherish most fondly.'

"A few weeks before his death he was made the recipient of an elegant sword, sash, and belt by his much-loved company; the sword bearing an inscription which shall tell in future time of the strong arm that once wielded it in defence of justice and liberty.

"When the soldiers' friend, Count Schwabe, heard of the death of this gallant officer, he immediately named several shelves of books in his hospital libraries at Washington and Worcester to the memory of this martyr, and also classed him among his noble fallen ones in his Gallery of Fallen Heroes, and ordered a valuable full life-size bust-painting by the first and eminent artist, Ames, which has just been completed with great success. The friends are delighted with this striking likeness. It is surrounded also by a valuable military frame. The portrait is one of which Milford forever might be proud as a master-piece of fine art, and a living memento of the fallen captain.

"Through the exertion of Lieut.-Col. Draper, 36th Regiment, the family, the many friends of Milford, and the colonel's own generosity, the funds have been generously raised. The portraits of many other sons of Milford have also been kindly subscribed to by the many friends, and are now in the hands of eminent artists, under the kind care of the count; and in due time we will give notice of each."

Mrs. Ellen grieved herself almost to death at her unspeakable loss. She subsequently m. Harvey Farrington of Philadelphia, Jan. 26, 1869. He has since deceased, and she survives in worthy second widowhood.

HOOPER, THOMAS, and wf. *Ann*, appear on Rev. Mr. Frost's baptismal records; but I get no intimation whence they came, where they dwelt, or whither they went. Mrs. Ann was bap., and received into the Cong. ch. here, Aug. 7, 1757. And Mr. Frost bap. their 3 chn. as follows:—

LYDIA, JONATHAN, and EZEKIEL, all, May 11, 1760.

HOVEY, WILLIAM, was included in the Easterly Precinct, by its act of incorporation in 1741, among others then res. in the "standing part" of Mendon, so termed. See "Act of Incorporation" in Chap. IV. Who this William Hovey was, or who composed his family, or in what particular locality he dwelt, I have no information.

HOVEY, SAMUEL, purchased a small homestead in the No. Purchase of Dea. Nathaniel Jones, containing 5¼ acres, May 26, 1758. See B. 41, p. 366, in Worcester Registry of Deeds. He owned other pieces of land in the Corbett neighborhood. He sold out these lands in 1769 and 1770; the 5¼-acre lot to Robert Corbett, and a 3½-acre lot to Samuel Wood. He was then of Newtown, N.H. I suppose he must have res. in our Precinct perhaps 20 yrs. I learn nothing of his family. But he was quite famous in his day, as a sort of New-Light lay preacher. See Chap. V., where I treat of "the Come-Outer Schism" which troubled our Cong. ch. from 1748 to 1758. He was then spoken of in the ch. records as "one Hovey," whom some would "set up" as a "lay Teacher." His history is wrapped in obscurity.

HOWE. David Howe is the first of this name that ever dwelt on our territory. His family record has not been ascertained. I presume he had a wf. and chn., which perhaps are certified on Mendon records; but I have not searched to see. In 1721 he purchased the famous Benjamin Alby corn-mill establishment, etc., now mostly owned by Lewis B. Gaskill. He bought it of James and Bridget (Jones) Wood, who had it of Benjamin Wheelock & Sons in a dilap-

idated condition, and had put it in prime order, with additions and improvements, for grain-grinding and clothier operations. In the deed he took, he is styled "David Howe of Weymouth, clothier." He ran the establishment till Aug. 24, 1730, and then, for £500, sold it, with all its appurtenances, utensils, and materials, to "William Sheffield, jun., of Holliston, husbandman." This is all that I can say of David Howe.

HOWE, GEORGE, said to be a descendant of John Howe, who came from Eng., set. at Watertown, then at Sudbury, and then at Marlboro', where he was killed by the Indians during King Philip's war; ptge., not given; b. Paxton, Sept. 12, 1791; m. *Lydia Perry*, dr. of Elihu and Lydia (Day) Perry, b. Mil., July 27, 1795; cer. Oct. 22, 1818, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.:—

NAMELESS INFANT, b. date not given.

AURELIA PERRY, b. June 26, 1821; m. Moses K. Glines, Nov. 25, 1847.

LAURETTE NEWTON, b. May 9, 1824; m. Stephen B. Richardson, June, 1849.

GEORGE ELIHU, b. Nov. 25, 1834; d. June 1, 1866, unm.

Mr. Howe and family dwelt on what is now called Purchase St., the present residence of his dr., Mrs. Aurelia P. Glines. He was our first manufacturer of boot and shoe pegs. I recollect him as one of my worthy parishioners when I first came into town, — an ingenious, quiet, industrious, honest citizen, with a wf. of corresponding qualities. He d. Sept. 12, 1845. Mrs. Lydia, his respected wid., d. July 16, 1870. They left living 2 chn., 3 grandchn., and 1 gt. grandchild. Their dr. Aurelia P. m. Moses K. Glines of Northfield, N.H., who res. in New York City as his business home; though Mrs. G. makes the family country home where her parents dwelt, as aforesaid. Their chn.:—

GEORGE EUGENE, b. May 8, 1849; m. Lucinda Earl, New York, May 26, 1868; 2 chn., 1 living.

ISAAC HERBERT, b. July 3, 1853; d. March 11, 1866.

Laurette N., the other dr., m. Stephen B. Richardson of East Medway, and they have had, —

JANE LIZZIE, b. Oct. 27, 1847.

CHARLES ADDISON, d. at the age of 9 mos.

NAMELESS INFANT, that immediately d.

LAURA ALICE, b. Feb. 19, 1859.

I make grateful acknowledgment to Mrs. Aurelia P. Glines, who was among the first of a comparatively small number to respond to my call, through "The Milford Journal," for old documents and family records. She furnished me promptly with valuable data concerning Mordecai Day's and Elihu Perry's family connections and descendants, including those of her uncle, Dr. Peck, and her own father. If I had received more such favors, my task would have been easier.

HOWE, GEORGE WASHINGTON; currier; ancestry not given; son of Perley and Asenath (Perry) Howe; b. in Natick, Aug. 30, 1817; m. *Betsey Corbett Perry*, dr. of Josiah and Anna (Corbett) Perry, b. Mil., March 20, 1818; cer. in Mendon, May 23, 1841, by the writer. Their chn.:—

ANNA ASENATH, b. May 26, 1844; m. Perry Allen Lindsey, June 30, 1863.

ELLEN LYDIA, b. Nov. 26, 1849; res. in the parental home.

BETSEY GEORGIETTA, b. March 25, 1859; d. Aug. 9, 1859.

Grandchn.:—

GEORGE WILLIAM LINDSEY, b. Mil., May 17, 1864.

FRANK ALLEN LINDSEY, b. Boston, May 4, 1866.

BETSEY AUGUSTA, b. Boston, April 2, 1868.

A family of very commendable reputation in all the relations of life. Mrs. Betsey d., after a long and painful decline, July 11, 1881, in her 64th yr.

HOWE, STEADMAN W., formerly res. in town; but both he and his wf. have passed away, and I cannot give their family record.

There have been a few others of the name, more or less transient dwellers among us. I see in our latest directory the name, —

HOWE, EDWARD W., tin-pedler, house Prospect St., near Main. But I have not obtained his family record. I think he is a son of Steadman W. Howe above named. The full family record ought to have appeared here.

HOWLAND, JOHN, from Hudson, N. Y.; pedigree untraced; m. *Amanda M. Waldron*, dr. of John and Elizabeth Waldron, b. Sept. 24, 1797; cer. in Mil., July 7, 1822, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

AMANDA H. P., b. July 5, 1824; untraced.

HARRIET N., b. Sept. 9, 1826; untraced.

JOHN AMMI, b. April 3, 1833; bootmaker, res. in town.

HOWLAND, NATHANIEL, and wf. *Hannah P.*, pedigrees untraced, are credited with John, b. July 12, 1798; perhaps the John previously named. This John d. Aug. 18, 1834.

HUMPHREY. This has been a scarce name in our town. I understand there were, at one time, two William H. Humphreys here, who experienced considerable inconvenience on account of the misdelivery of their letters, their address being the same. But only William H. Humphrey of Hopedale remained permanently among us. His family record alone is at my command. As nearly as I can trace his descent, his immigrant ancestor was Jonas, from Wendover, Bucks Co., Eng., a tanner, who settled in Dorchester in 1634. He had a son Jonas; he a son Samuel, who had, besides other chn., Samuel and Josiah. These two sons set. in that part of Rehoboth, or rather Swanzey, which became a part of Barrington, R.I. They were citizens of very considerable note among their contemporaries, and intrusted with important municipal offices. Samuel had a son Samuel; and he a son John, the father of our William H. So the record of the last-named stands thus: —

HUMPHREY, WILLIAM HENRY[7] (John,[6] Samuel,[5] Samuel,[4] Samuel,[3] Jonas,[2] Jonas[1]), b. Barrington, R.I., Oct. 29, 1805; mr.'s maiden name, Elizabeth Bullock; a carpenter by trade; m. *Almira Brown* of Cumberland, R.I., dr. of Jonathan and Amey (Arnold, Sheldon) Brown, b. March 11, 1810; cer. at Central Falls, R.I., Aug. 29, 1831, by Rev. George Taft. Their chn.: —

ALMIRA, b. Millbury, date not given; d. in infancy.

ELIZABETH BULLOCK, b. Millbury, May 13, 1841; our excellent artistic designer.

ADELIA, b. Millbury, date not given; d. in infancy.

WILLIAM LLOYD, b. Millbury, date not given; d. in infancy.

WILLIAM AUGUSTUS, b. Milbury, date not given; d. in infancy.

The parents came from Millbury to Hopedale, May 1, 1849, and soon afterwards became devoted members of the Community. They won the full confidence of their fellow-members, and held our highest official trusts. They have remained faithful to their professed principles down to the present time; still members of the suspended Community, and he its final president. It is enough to say that this family belong among our most exemplary people. The only surviving dr., Lizzie B. Humphrey, is worthy of her parentage. Besides her sterling moral character, she is, by genius, and a thorough education in the Cooper Institute School of Design, an eminently successful artist.

A worthy sister of William H. was at one time a member of our Community; viz., LOUISA HUMPHREY. She was b. in Barrington, R.I., during the yr. 1800, and d. at Hopedale, June 12, 1869.

Some time after the foregoing had been written, Mrs. Almira B. Humphrey departed this life, Nov. 7, 1880, a. 70 yrs. 7 mos. 27 ds. She suffered a gradual decline, and d. a tranquil death, in full assurance of the life everlasting. Her funeral was honored, on Wednesday, Nov. 10, with well-deserved and appropriate demonstrations of commemorative affection.

HUNT. The first family of this name that became inhabitants on our territory was that of Ebenezer, jun. They came from Holl. about 1756, or perhaps a little prior. If I am correctly informed, they set. in the easterly or north-easterly part, probably in the Bear-hill district. He belonged to what is called the "Concord line" of Hunts. As there is a large, comprehensive, and elaborate genealogy of the Hunts, from which I have borrowed frequently in this part of my Register, and to which all persons interested can refer for full information concerning particulars outside of my present scope, I shall be excused for omitting some introductory facts otherwise necessary to insert. The published work is entitled, "GENEALOGY OF THE NAME AND FAMILY OF HUNT, *early established in America from Europe: exhibiting Pedigrees of Ten Thousand Persons; enlarged by Religious and Historical Readings; enriched with Indices of Names and Places. Authorized by* W. L. G. HUNT. *Compiled by* T. B. WYMAN, JR. *Boston: Printed by John Wilson and Son, 5 Water St.*, 1862–63." I may therefore proceed at once with my tabulations.

HUNT, EBENEZER, Jun.[5] (Ebenezer,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1] of Concord, immigrant from Eng.), b. Holl., April 15, 1735; m. *Deliverance Newton*, Oct. 30, 1755; received into our Cong. ch., July 18, 1756. Issue:—

THOMAS, b. May 8, 1756.
JOSEPH, b. Nov. 22, 1757.
JONATHAN, b. Dec. 26, 1759.
DELIVERANCE, b. Nov. 16, 1761.
DOROTHY, b. Oct. 27, 1763.
JOAZANIAH, b. Oct. 21, 1768.

The parents were dismissed to the ch. in Rutland, Dec. 16, 1764, and res. afterwards in Paxton. No further traced.

HUNT, DANIEL[5] (Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1] of Concord), first cousin to Ebenezer, jun., b. also in Holl., Sept. 17, 1743; m., 1st, *Mary Daniels*, May 30, 1765; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Jasper and Keziah Daniels, Mil. Precinct, b. March 17, 1745–46. Their chn. were, —

JASPER DANIELS, b. Nov. 3, 1766; m. Ede Corbett; no further traced.
MARY, b. Dec. 1, 1768; d. about 8 days after birth.

The date of Mrs. Mary's death not ascertained. He m., 2d, *Mary Phillips*, April 5, 1769. According to the "Hunt Genealogy," she was a dr. of Ebenezer Phillips of Grafton, and gd. dr. of Rev. Ebenezer Phillips, a Bap. minister; and was b. March 7, 1749. I have been unable to trace her pedigree to complete satisfaction. Issue:—

PEARLEY, b. May 20, 1771; merchant, justice peace, and influential citizen.
MARY, b. 1773; d. Sept. 10, 1775.
JOSEPH, b. Sept. 12, 1774; set. in Upton; a farmer; and reared a large family.
MARY, *alias* POLLY, b. July 7, 1776; m., 1st, Thomas Warren; 2d, Nathan White of Medway.

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EBENEZER, b. July 12, 1778; res. mostly in Mil.; an early woollen manufacturer.

ADAM, b. April 1, 1780; d. Jan. 18, 1796, in his 16th yr.

JOEL, b. Nov. 25, 1782; res., 1st, in Mil.; later, an influential citizen of Med.

ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 7, 1784; d. Jan. 9, 1796.

PHILLIPS, b. July 11, 1786; d. an enterprising young man in Norfolk, Va., Sept. 14, 1808.

MOSES, b. April 13, 1788; grad. H. U., 1811; d. law-student, Roxbury, Oct. 14, 1814.

EZRA, b. April 7, 1790; grad. H. U., 1815; eminent lawyer and judge in Missouri.

The fr. bought a farm of 147 acres in that part of No. Purchase called Bungay, previously owned by Joseph Jones, jun. The deed bears date March 22, 1781, which indicates probably the yr. in which the purchaser came into the then newly-incorporated town from Holl. He seems to have been an enterprising, provident, and worthy citizen. But he was not long spared to his rising family, having d. Feb. 2, 1801, in his 58th yr. His wf. left an excellent name and memory. She m., as 2d hus., Joseph Hunting of Mil., Jan. 17, 1804; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She d. March 22, 1820.

HUNT, PEARLEY, Esq.[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. May 20, 1771; m. *Chloe Albee*, May 10, 1795, in the old Cong. meeting-house; cer. by Amariah Frost, Esq. She was a dr. of Seth and Rebecca Albee of Mil., and b. July 24, 1774. Her fr. d. while she was yet an infant, and her mr. had m. Lieut. Joseph Gibbs. The chn. of Pearley and Chloe (Albee) Hunt were, —

INFANT DR., b. April 17, 1796; d., unnamed, soon after birth.

HIRAM, b. June 26, 1808; long an enterprising merchant and citizen.

LUCY, b. Oct. 31, 1810; m. the writer of this History, March 3, 1830.

LEONARD, b. June 16, 1812; well known to our citizens generally.

CHLOE ALBEE, b. Feb. 22, 1815; d. unm., Dec. 2, 1834.

DIANA, b. March 16, 1817; m. Stephen Cook, Oct. 17, 1835.

The fr. entered on the responsibilities of adult life in comparatively humble circumstances, but with superior natural abilities, aptitudes, and qualifications to make a respectable mark in society. He had both taste and tact for trade. He commenced with a small variety store in a building hired of Col. Benjamin Godfrey, adjacent to the old common. This was, perhaps, as early as 1795 or 1796. Economy was then of urgent importance, and he managed to find comfortable tenement quarters for himself and his prudent wf. under the same roof with his goods. He was not ashamed to testify in his prosperity how properly and happily he commenced domestic life, in contrast with the vainly ambitious youngsters of the succeeding generations. He used to say, that, in the outset of trade, he made it a point to stock his store with really useful articles, and to recommend them to his customers as preferable to showy ones of less value. "But," said he, "I soon found that most people loved to be *pleased* rather than *well used.*" His establishment presently became famous for its large assortment and variety of articles; so that it got to be a common saying among the inhabitants, "You can't call for any thing at Hunt's but what he has on hand." As he grew into a still larger business, this striking characteristic grew more prominent to the end of his career, perhaps not always to his pecuniary profit. In the spring of 1798 he bought of David Stearns the Ebenezer Sumner house with an acre of land, situated on the north side of

now Main St., near the Charles-river Bridge and mill-pond; also other small pieces in the near vicinity, on the opposite side of the st., where afterwards he built his somewhat unique mansion, still standing. On removing to what came to be called the lower village, he provided himself with ample accommodations for a store, the same afterwards occupied by Capt. Sylvester Dean, to whom he mainly sold out after taking up his res. across the st. As his means increased, he began to purchase outlying real estate, and ultimately became a considerable landholder. Meantime he was intrusted with the principal town-offices, and, later, represented it several yrs. in Gen. Ct. He and Esq. John Claflin, jun., seemed to grow up into public influence together; the latter being in several instances the close official successor to the former. They are said to have been quite intimate and cordial friends in the earlier portion of their advancement. They were active Freemasons in lodge and chapter. Hunt was early master of Charity Lodge (then in Mendon, but afterwards removed to Mil.), and Claflin immediately succeeded him. The former was the first capt. of the long popular Mil. Artillery Co., and the latter the second. The former became Maj. of Artillery, and the latter his next successor. And so it was generally in political, municipal, and civil affairs. It was not till 1819, or thereabouts, when the sharp division of our citizens into town and parish parties took place, that these old friends became rival and hostile partisan leaders. The contentions of those days estranged, for a time, many that had been long friends.

Esq. Hunt was commissioned as justice peace, Feb. 16, 1811, by Gov. Elbridge Gerry, and recommissioned by all the succeeding govs. down to the time of his death in 1844, — a period of over 33 yrs. In 1823, Feb. 10, "Mil. Centre" post-office was established, largely through his influence; and he was appointed post-master. Its title was changed in 1829 to "Milford;" but he continued to be post-master, by successive re-appointments, until his death in 1844, — a period of 21 yrs. He was strongly Democratic in politics, and liberal in religion. He was the leading proprietor in erecting the brick Universalist meeting-house in 1821, without whose aid it prob. could not have been built. In the domestic and social circles of life he was justly beloved and esteemed for kindness, urbanity, generosity, hospitality, and the kindred virtues. He took also a deep interest in the common schools, and was long a favorite school-committee man. So he ended his days, notwithstanding his share of human infirmities and adversities, in honor and peace. He d. March 29, 1844, of apoplexy, suddenly, and with little conscious pain, in his 73d yr. His worthy help-meet and companion survived him only a few yrs. She d. Sept. 15, 1849, a. 75.

HUNT, Joseph[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 12, 1774; m. *Jemima Holbrook* of Up., Feb. 27, 1800. She was a dr. of Peter and Huldah (Wood) Holbrook, b. Jan. 15, 1781. They res. a few yrs. in Mil., but chiefly in Up. Their chn.: —

Adam, b. Jan. 28, 1801; set., lived, and d. in Mil.; our well-known citizen.

Pearley, b. June 4, 1802; d. Feb. 23, 1828, from a fatal blasting of rocks.

John, b. Aug. 5, 1805; res. Upton; widely known in his long service as sexton.

Daniel, b. Dec. 12, 1806; res. Sterling, Groton, etc.; innholder; d. Sept. 3, 1854.

Mary, b. March 9, 1809; m. Jonathan W. Stowe, Grafton, Sept. 11, 1831.

Albert, b. May 29, 1811; res. Mil.; d. here, Dec. 31, 1845.

Joseph Dexter, b. Nov. 3, 1813; d. Aug. 11, 1815.

Hannah Wood, b. Sept. 14, 1815; m. Aaron T. Eames, Aug. 4, 1833.

Malinda Bradish, b. Dec. 13, 1817; m. Harrison Eames, Nov. 27, 1834.

Joseph Dexter, b. Nov. 17, 1819; our well-known and active citizen.

Milo, b. Feb. 11, 1822; res. Hartford, Ct.; a man of much enterprise and thrift.

Philo, b. Jan. 17, 1824; res. Mil., and d. here, Jan. 18, 1854.

Ann Maria, b. Jan. 16, 1826; m. Nicholas A. Pastrouich, Boston, Feb. 4, 1845.

The mr. d. Oct. 20, 1833, in her 53d yr. The fr. m., for 2d wf., *Hannah Butler*, Jan. 7, 1835. She was a dr. of Aaron and Sarah Butler, and b. Aug. 29, 1786. Joseph Hunt was a plain-mannered, honest, industrious farmer. He d. Aug. 17, 1839, in his 65th yr. His wid. d. in Hop., March 12, 1848, in her 63d yr.

HUNT, Ebenezer[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), July 12, 1778; m. *Mary, alias Polly, Abbee*, May 21, 1801; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of John and Anna (Battle) Abbee, b. March 22, 1785. They res. many yrs. on the Bungay homestead. Their chn. were, —

Abigail, b. May 5, 1802; m. Gershom Twitchell, Mil., May 22, 1825.

Izanna, b. July 8, 1804; m. Nathaniel Parkhurst, Mil., Dec. 20, 1822.

Lowell, b. March 30, 1806; went far West, and not heard from these many yrs. Prob. dead.

Ursula, b. April 6, 1809; d. Jan. 9, 1826.

Harriet, b. July 19, 1811; m., 1st, Lyman P. Lowe, Nov. 28, 1838; 2d, M. A. S. Collins.

Moses, b. Sept. 14, 1814; d. Jan. 3 or 4, 1831.

John Abbee, b. April 21, 1817; res. Worcester; m. Lurana M. Hoar, Oct. 8, 1845; family there.

Ezra, b. June 6, 1819; res. Mil. always; well-known citizen.

Phillips, b. Nov. 1, 1824; m. Sarah Rice, Feb. 19, 1859.

Mary Maria, b. Aug. 11, 1829; m. Henry Woodward, Worcester, May 18, 1853.

The fr. carried on his farm, managed his mill-privileges, and was engaged for some yrs. as a woollen manufacturer on a small scale; utilizing for that purpose such water-power as his premises afforded. He was enterprising, but less successful than his endeavors were earnest. He d. Oct. 15, 1836. His worthy wid. long survived him, and d. in Worcester, Jan. 9, 1871.

HUNT, Joel, Esq.[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Nov. 25, 1782; m. *Clara Metcalf* of Medway, June 3, 1807. She was the only dr. of Maj. Luther and Mercy (Whiting) Metcalf, b. Feb. 7, 1784. Their chn. were, —

George Washington, b. March 14, 1808; m. Nancy Adams, May 1, 1833; res. Lawrence, Kan.

Luther Metcalf, b. Aug. 4, 1809; res. Med.; mechanic; thrice m.; d. Feb. 26, 1857.

Clara Amelia, b. July 19, 1811; m. Cephas Thayer, Roxbury, March 25, 1856.

Joel Edward, b. June 19, 1813; res. Med.; citizen farmer; recently d.

Mercy Maria, b. Aug. 17, 1815; m. Enos Goss.

Wellington L. G., b. Oct. 31, 1817; res. Boston; boot-manufacturer.

Harriet Sophia, b. Jan. 18, 1820; m. Charles Hamant, April 19, 1847.

Francis Alphonzo, b. March 20, 1822; res. Denver City, Col.; d. W. Med., April 21, 1878.

Caroline, b. July 6, 1824; m. John W. Partridge, Franklin, Oct. 30, 1845.

Elizabeth Minerva, b. April 14, 1827; m. John N. Brown, Candia, N.H., Nov. 30, 1854.

The parents began m. life in Mil., and had one or two chn. b. here. They then made Med. their res. during a long life. He d. Sept. 1, 1852, having enjoyed numerous municipal and civil honors. His pastor, Rev. Dr. Ide, gave a eulogistic obituary of him, which may be found in the "Hunt Genealogy," p. 135. His wid. d. Sept. 15, 1849.

HUNT, Moses, Esq.[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. April 13, 1788; grad. H. U., 1811; studied law; d. of typhus fever at Wid. Ruggles's, in Roxbury, Oct. 12, 1814, and his remains brought to Mil. for burial. A Boston divine, classmate of deceased, thus testifies of him in the "Hunt Genealogy," p. 136. "I was intimately acquainted with him in our college-days. He was highly esteemed and respected by the whole class. He took rank as the first mathematician in it, and prepared the mathematical theses exhibited on its behalf on commencement-day. He also appeared, on that occasion, in a conference with William P. Mason and John A. Shaw. He was the strongest man in the class: we thought him a perfect athlete. But he was of a most kind and gentle nature, the friend of every one. No one could have coveted a more honorable, as no one could have enjoyed a more unsullied, repute."

HUNT, Hon. Ezra[6] (Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. April, 7 1790; grad. H. U., 1815; studied law, and became a circuit-judge in the State of Missouri. At the age of about 40 yrs. he m. *Maria E. Pettibone*, May 18, 1830. She was the eldest dr. of Judge Rufus and Louisa de Bussy Pettibone of St. Louis, Mo. She was b. Sept. 22, 1814, being at mge. in her 16th yr. Their chn. were, —

Louisa Phillips, b. Jan 7, 1834; m. W. W. Edwards, Oct. 16, 1856.

Claudius Henry, b. May 18, 1837; d. Aug. 26, 1854.

Sarah, b. March 6, 1838; d. April 1, 1838.

Lizzie Chambers, b. Aug. 7, 1840; m. D. P. Dyer, Nov. 15, 1860.

Margaret Hardin, b. May 1, 1842; d. June 4, 1842.

Abigail, b. May 2, 1843; d. May 12, 1843.

Levi Pettibone, b. Aug. 7, 1845.

Horace Ezra, b. April 1, 1850; d. Aug. 10, 1850.

Claudine H., b. March 11, 1855.

Daughter, d. at birth.

"Hon. Ezra Hunt of Bowling Green, Mo., d. in Troy, Lincoln Co., in that State, Sept. 19, 1860, a. 70 yrs. He was in attendance upon the circuit court in session there in his usual health. Having spoken on a case in his charge in the afternoon, and having eaten his supper, after the adjournment of the court, he said he was not very well, went to a fire in a retired room at his lodgings, was conversing with a lady, with apparent cheerfulness, when he suddenly appeared to be falling from his chair. He was caught: and physicians were called, who found that the vital spark had fled; and he ceased to live. He was a native of Mass.; born in Milford, April 7, 1790. He was fitted for college at Leicester Academy, and was distinguished for his knowledge of mathematics and the exact sciences; and at commencement, when he graduated (1815), the subject assigned to him was 'The Study of the Mathematics.' Immediately after leaving college he was appointed Preceptor of Leicester Academy, where he remained till the autumn of 1817, when he went to Cambridge for the pur-

pose of studying divinity. He remained there, with the exception of four months devoted to keeping school in Lincoln, Mass., until May, 1818, when he went to Pulaski, West Tenn., and took charge of an academy on a salary of $700 per annum. He was invited to remain another year, with a salary of $1,200, but declined. While in charge of the academy in Pulaski, he pursued the study of the law, under the direction of the late Judge William C. Carr. He practised three years in the town of Louisiana, Mo. From this place he removed to St. Charles, in the same State.

"In 1831 he removed to Bowling Green, Pike County, Mo. He was appointed, Jan. 6, 1836, Judge of the Circuit Court for that judicial district, with a salary of $1,000 per annum, and discharged the duties of the office with ability and impartiality, to the general satisfaction of the people of the circuit. He decided questions of law, but never addressed juries. In the Convention called to revise the State Constitution, he acted as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee. He was a diligent student all his life; and, having accumulated one of the largest and best private libraries in the State of Missouri, had, with its use, aided by a logical and discriminating mind, made himself a learned and sound lawyer, as well as a ripe scholar in general literature. And in all the relations of life, both public and private, he was faithful, just, and true." — *Hunt Genealogy*, pp. 56, 57.

HUNT, HIRAM[7] (Pearley,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. June 26, 1808; m. *Laura Ann Adams* of Mil., Oct. 18, 1829; cer. in the brick Universalist meeting-house, by Rev. Paul Dean of Boston. She was a dr. of Hezekiah and Rhoda (Mann) Adams, b. Jan. 15, 1808. Their chn. were, —

EDWIN, b. Oct. 20, 1830; d. March 10, 1843.

FREEMAN OLIVER, b. June 14, 1832; d. Sept. 29, 1834.

LAURA ANN, b. Oct. 16, 1834; d. March 30, 1835.

LAURA ADELAIDE, b. Jan. 25, 1836; m. Henry C. Scott, Mil., Oct. 17, 1855; d. March 13, 1881.

LANDON ADAMS, b. April 28, 1838; d. April 21, 1839.

LUCY BALLOU, b. Jan. 27, 1840; d. March 30, 1840.

HIRAM LANDON, b. June 16, 1841; d. Feb. 26, 1854.

EDWIN OLIVER, b. July 6, 1846; res. Mil.; salesman in H. C. Scott's store; d. April 21, 1880.

EMMA LUCY, b. May 16, 1849; m. O. E. Draper, Oct. 12, 1869; d. Dec. 8, 1876.

Hiram Hunt grew up a merchant under his fr., who, after establishing his home in his new mansion, ultimately erected ample accommodations there for an enlarged business in his favorite line. At length the son succeeded his fr. as proprietor and manager. Subsequently he erected Church Block, and removed his establishment thither, greatly extending his scale of operations. He was very ambitious and enterprising, but did not escape the reverses generally attendant more or less on such a career. These he surmounted in a good degree, and only succumbed latterly to mental infirmity, which unfortunately darkened the horizon of his declining days. He always sustained a high reputation for downright honesty, generosity, humanity, public spirit, and the cardinal moral virtues. His family bereavements were frequent and severe. His companion followed her numerous departed chn., July 27, 1871; after which his experiences soon became shrouded by mental affliction, which called forth the sympathies, not only of his personal relatives and friends, but a large public circle. It is proper to add that he succeeded his fr. as postmaster of Milford,

by governmental appointment, May 2, 1844, which position he held till June 4, 1849. The town honored him with such offices as selectman, rep. to Gen. Court, etc.; and his social standing was always excellent. He d. very suddenly of pneumonia, April 23, 1880, and received the highest funeral honors on the 25th.

HUNT, Col. LEONARD[7] (Pearley,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. June 16, 1812; m, 1st, *Mercy S. Caswell*, Nov. 28, 1833; cer. in the Universalist brick meeting-house, by the writer. She was a dr. of Daniel Caswell of Walpole, b. Jan. 27, 1814. She had no chn., and d. April 14, 1834. He m., 2d, *Lucinda Mann;* cer. Feb. 10, 1839, in Thompson, Ct. She was a dr. of Daniel and Abigail (Johnson) Mann, b. March 27, 1813. Their chn. were, —

PEARLEY MANN, b. Feb. 6, 1840; m. Lydia Maria Zouver, May 21, 1874.

TRUEMAN CLARK, b. Oct. 1, 1841; d. July 18, 1842.

LEONARD, jun., b. June 6, 1849; d. Aug. 12, 1849.

The fr.'s general health has not been vigorous, and once in his youth he barely survived a very threatening dropsical affection. On this account, and perhaps in part from constitutional temperament, he has been less active and more cautious as a business man than his bro. He has been more or less engaged in trade, but with comparative moderation. He has sustained a good reputation in private and public life, and held several responsible civil and military offices, but prefers retirement and quietude when he can command them.

HUNT, Col. ADAM[7] (Joseph,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 28, 1801; m. *Sally Pond*, Dec. 10, 1826; cer. by the writer. She was the dr. of Theodore and Sally (Bruce) Pond, b. in Holl., June 12, 1804. Their chn. were, —

ELIZABETH JONES, b. July 19, 1830; d. Jan. 25, 1834.

HARRIET, b. April 12, 1833; d. Nov. 28, 1834.

ELLEN ELIZA, b. Oct. 2, 1835; m. Henry D. Eames, Jan. 11, 1858.

WILLARD, b. Aug. 11, 1838; d. Feb. 13, 1839.

SARAH JANE, b. Feb. 11, 1841; m. Elbridge A. Vant, Oct. 4, 1860.

JOHN GILBERT, b. Aug. 6, 1843; d. Aug. 7, 1844.

Col. Hunt came from Up., and set. in Mil., at about the age of 21 yrs., to work at the boot business, just after its pioneer bosses had got well started in a small way. He at once enlisted heartily in the public interests, as they successively appealed to the inhabitants for support. He joined the Town party, so called, was a National Democrat for a time, and then, on the slavery issue, became Republican. He was promoted to responsible municipal offices, sent once representative to Gen. Court, and served as postmaster 6 yrs. He was early attached to the Universalist Society, and, later, made a dea. of that ch. He was much engaged in the boot business, and went through its changing vicissitudes of prosperity and adversity with at least tolerable success. In his younger days he belonged to the Mil. Artillery Co., and thence rose to the command of the regiment. He d. of consumption, with firm hopes of a better life, Oct. 21, 1868, in the 68th year of his age. His wid. and two drs. still survive at this writing.

HUNT, ALBERT[7] (Joseph,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. May 29, 1811; m. *Susan H. French*, March 3, 1833; cer. and its particulars not given. She was a dr. of Cyrus and Betsey (Willard) French, b. in Grafton, Feb. 9, 1810. Their chn.:—

ELIZABETH MOLITA, b. Jan. 25, 1834; m. Charles W. Burt, June 27, 1857; 2 chn.

Adam Hunt

Almon, b. April 28, 1835; d. Aug. 12, 1836.
Emery C., b. Nov. 28, 1838; d. April 18, 1839.
Celeste, b. Feb. 13, 1840; d. Aug. 2, 1840.
Almon, b. March 9, 1843; d. Feb. 6, 1844.
Morton, b. Feb. 13, 1844; d. Aug. 28, 1844.

Albert followed the boot business. Industrious, orderly, and worthy people, but greatly bereaved. He d. Dec. 31, 1845. Mrs. Susan subsequently became the wf. of her husband's bro., Philo Hunt; to wit, Nov. 21, 1847.

HUNT, Joseph Dexter[7] (Joseph,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Nov. 17, 1819; m. *Harriet L. Leland*, Nov. 25, 1846; cer. by whom not ascertained. She was a dr. of Eliab and Pearley (Adams) Leland, b. 1822. Their chn. were, —

Arthur Everett, b. Sept. 6, 1849; d. Aug. 10, 1853.
Herbert D., b. Aug. 26, 1851; d. March 1, 1876.
Ida L., b. Nov. 3, 1853.
Clara Florence, b. May 4, 1855.
Walter Leland, b. July 6, 1857.
George Clinton, b. April 7, 1859.

J. D. Hunt came in his youth from Up. to Mil., and has been more or less engaged in the boot business. He has been an active citizen, and distinguished himself as a devoted temperance reformer, a stanch prohibitionist, and zealous conservator of public order. He has served the town several yrs. as collector of taxes, and in other municipal capacities. Like some other public servants, he has had the discomfort of considerable censure, in spite of which his friends feel sure that his intentions have always been upright.

HUNT, Philo[7] (Joseph,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 17, 1824; m. *Susan H. Hunt*, his bro. Albert's wid., Nov. 21, 1847. Their chn. were, —

Emma S., b. June 3, 1850; m. a Mr. Hatch.
Morton P., b. Jan. 10, 1853; he d. at Mystic Bridge, Ct., Aug. 11, 1881, a. 28 yrs.

The fr. was an industrious and good citizen, following the same occupations as his bros., but was soon discharged from the pursuits of mortal life. He d. Jan. 18, 1854, at the age of about 30 yrs. His wid. m. Duty T. Aldrich.

HUNT, Milo[7] (Joseph,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 11, 1822; m., 1st, *Eliza A. Bill*, May 7, 1852.

He went, many yrs. ago, to Hartford, Ct., where, with the late Gardner P. Barber and two Holbrook brothers of this town, he joined in establishing a very successful firm of boot and shoe manufacturers. There he still res., in the vigorous prosecution of a prosperous business. I believe he was bereaved of his early wf., and has m. a 2d. I am unable to give the number and names of his chn.

HUNT, Lowell[7] (Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. March 30, 1806; m. *Emily Bragg*, July 16, 1826; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of Col. Arial and Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Bragg, b. Jan. 23, 1809. Their chn. were, —

Albert, b. Jan. 19, 1826; d. young.
Newell, b. Dec. 6, 1828; d. young.
Jane, b. Nov. 16, 1831; m. Joseph C. Gillman, July 1, 1869; d. June 19, 1879.
Ann E., b. Jan. 17, 1834; m., 1st, John Harvell, May 4, 1856; 2d, G. R. Holland, April 20, 1859.

Lowell, b. June 22, 1837; d. May 14, 1858.

Under business reverses and discouragements, the fr. went to the far West, many yrs ago, in hope of repairing his fortunes, and is believed to have d. there some time not very long after; just where and when, I have never learned. His worthy wid. and one dr., Mrs. Holland, still survive.

HUNT, John Abbee[7] (Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. April 21, 1817; m. *Lurana Melissa Hoar*, dr. of Thomas N. and Dinah (Washburn) Hoar, b. Stafford, Ct., Jan. 19, 1825; cer. in Worcester, Oct. 8, 1844, by Rev. Seth Sweetser. Their chn. were, —

Josephine Alma, b. Nov. 24, 1846; m. Silas R. Mills, Oct. 15, 1873; some chn.

Ella Annette, b. Sept. 13, 1849; m. Leonard Sikes Hudson, Aug. 8, 1876.

Julian Albert, b. Aug. 14, 1851.

Jennie Abbee, b. April 1, 1856.

Ebenezer Phillips, b. June 7, 1858.

Mary, b. Nov. 16, 1860.

The family have long res. in Worcester, where all the chn. were b., and where Mr. H. has been mostly operating as a manufacturer of woollen goods, meantime experiencing a full share of afflictions.

HUNT, Ezra[7] (Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. June 6, 1819; m. *Jane Mehetabel Tyler*, April 18, 1841; cer. by Rev. William Tozer. She was a dr. of Daniel and Ellen T. (Polley) Tyler, b. in Leominster, Dec. 5, 1823. Their chn.: —

Eldora Jane, b. Oct. 16, 1843; d. April 1, 1850.

Lucy, b. June, 1845.

Caroline Marie, b. Nov. 24, 1848; m. Edmund B. Blood, May 5, 1869; they have 2 chn.

Bessie, b. Feb. 1, 1861; d. Aug. 19, 1861.

Frank Lincoln, b. April 18, 1865; d. June 28, 1865.

Willie Ezra, b. March 9, 1868; d. Oct. 26, 1876.

The parents are eminently quiet, unostentatious, worthy people. The fr. has been more or less employed as a foreman in the boot manufacture, but now ranks himself a farmer. He is an exemplary citizen, and, with his family, held in high esteem.

Grandchn.: —

Grace Lydia Blood, b. Feb. 9, 1870.

Charles Edmund Blood, b. April 1, 1871.

HUNT, Phillips[7] (Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Nov. 1, 1824; left Mil. while a lad; m. *Sarah Rice*, dr. of Israel and Charlotte (Campbell) Rice, b. Roxbury, March 22, 1828; cer. in Worcester, Jan. 19, 1859, by Rev. Ebenezer Cutler. Res. Hammonton, N.J., and Worcester. Their chn.: —

Charles Phillips, b. Worcester, Feb. 10, 1860.

Olive, b. Hammonton, N.J., July 20, 1861.

Lottie, b. Hammonton, N.J., Nov. 13, 1862.

Alice, b. Worcester, Sept. 11, 1864.

HUNT, Edwin Oliver[8] (Hiram,[7] Pearley,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. July 6, 1846; m. *Ada Phipps Hero*, Sept. 9, 1868; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of Horace B. and Almira (Phipps) Hero, Mil., b. Nov. 26, 1847. Their chn.: —

Landon Eugene, b. Jan. 18, 1869.

Harry Edwin, b. Feb. 11, 1876.

They seemed to make a modest and hopeful start in life. He was usefully employed as salesman and clerk in his bro.-in law's, H. C. Scott's, establishment, Church Block, formerly his fr.'s. But a dark cloud at length came over his mind. His brain became diseased; and he d. by his own hand, April 21, 1880, much respected and lamented.

HUNT, PEARLEY MANN[8] (Leonard,[7] Pearley,[6] Daniel,[5] Abidah,[4] Isaac,[3] Isaac,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 6, 1840; m. *Lydia Maria Zouver*, May 21, 1874; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of John and Mary (Brown) Zouver, Adrian, Mich., b. April 5, 1850. No chn. yet reported.

He is partner with his fr. in manufacturing and mercantile business; a brisk and executive man in his chosen occupations; enterprising and successful; a competent staff to sustain his parents in their declining years.

HUNTING, JOSEPH, from Holl., a descendant of Elder John Hunting of Dedham, the immigrant ancestor, prob. in the 4th or fifth generation; the links of the lineage not ascertained; m., 1st, *Hannah Bond*, dr. of Isaac and Margaret Bond, b. in Sherborn, July 15, 1729; date of mge. not found. Their chn.: —

SARAH, b. Holl., March 5, 1764; m. Caleb Cheney, jun., April 28, 1791.

ELIZABETH, b. Holl., June 4, 1766; m. David Nelson, Jan. 10, 1788.

JOSEPH, Jun., b. Holl., 1770; m. Abigail Gage, May 26, 1791.

I have not traced out the date of this family's coming into town; but it must have been, I think, between 1780 and 1790. The hus. and fr. was a cooper by trade, and set. in the No. Purchase, on now Haven St., far towards Hopkinton line. There Mrs. Hannah, his wf., d. July 18, 1802. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Hunt* (maiden name Phillips), wid. of Daniel Hunt; cer. in Mil., Jan. 17, 1804, by Samuel Jones, Esq. No chn. Mrs. Mary, the 2d wf., d. March 22, 1820. The hus. himself d. April, 1821.

HUNTING, JOSEPH, Jun., son of the preceding, b. in Holl., 1770; m. *Abigail Gage*, dr. of Moses, jun., and Mary (Boynton) Gage, b. in our Precinct, Nov. 9, 1773; cer. in Mil., May 26, 1791, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

AMORY, b. Mil., March 21, 1794; physician; m. Mary E. Eames.

Joseph Hunting, jun., was long an invalid of a peculiar type. Those who remember him will not forget his singular habits of eating and dressing; never leaving his house without an extravagant abundance of overclothing and mufflers about his throat. He charged his infirmities to the injudicious use of calomel during an early severe sickness. He d. May 14, 1826. Mrs. Abigail, his wid., m. Elihu Perry, in 1829. She survived him some yrs., and finally d. in Millbury, Aug. 10, 1839. Her remains were brought to Mil. for interment.

HUNTING, Dr. AMORY, son of Joseph, jun., and Abigail (Gage) Hunting, was b. in Mil., March 21, 1794, and m. *Mary E. Eames*, dr. of Col. Asa and Hannah (Haven) Eames; no further particulars given. Issue: —

HORATIO, b. Sept. 2, 1823; no further traced.

EDMUND, b. not given.

ELIZA, b. not given; d. young.

JULIETTA, b. not given; no further traced.

WILLIAM HENRY } (twins), b. not given; no further traced.
HENRY WILLIAM } b. not given; d. June 10, 1870.

The fr. doubtless had fair educational advantages in his youth, but I am not informed what. He studied medicine with Dr. Daniel Thurber, and is presumed to have been well qualified for his profession. Whether he ever received a medical degree, I have not been told. He commenced practice in

Uxbridge, then removed to Franklin, then to Worcester, then to Providence, R.I., and finally to Kansas, where he and his wf. both d. The family no further traced. I received this record, such as it is, from his cousin, Mr. David G. Colburn of Hop.

Perhaps a few other Huntings have transiently dwelt in town, but I omit further specifications.

IDE, IRA, blacksmith, b. Rehoboth, April 4, 1803; a son of Timothy and Chloe (Claflin) Ide; m. *Lucy Barron*, dr. of William and Sally (Tucker), Barron, b. in Wrentham, Aug. 18, 1804; cer. in Wrentham, May 4, 1835, by Rev. Moses Thatcher. Their chn.:—

SARAH E., b. April 11, 1839; m. John O. Symonds, Jan. 4, 1866.

IRA NEWMAN, b. Nov. 11, 1841.

IDE, KALLOCK, cabinet-maker; b. in Sharon, May 27, 1791; son of Benjamin and Mary (Kallock) Ide; m. *Sarah Frost*, dr. of Peter and Sarah (Eades) Frost, b. Sharon, Feb. 28, 1794; cer. Wrentham, March 31, 1812, by a Bap. clergyman; name forgotten. Their chn.:—

MARY, b. Wrentham, Sept. 4, 1815; d. July 24, 1836.

SARAH, b. Wrentham, April 17, 1817; d. July 18, 1831.

SUSAN, b. Wrentham, March 6, 1819; m., 1st, Mowry Colwell, Nov. 1, 1845; 2d, Ralph C. Hill, Feb. 17, 1857.

GEORGE, b. Wrentham, Dec. 7, 1822; m. Mary Gillpatrick, Nov. 15, 1845. He d. Oct. 11, 1847.

LAURA SOPHIA, b. Wrentham, Oct. 7, 1825; m. Samuel Jones Cheney, May 30, 1850. See Cheney.

There have been 5 gd. chn.; viz., —

GEORGE E., son of George, deceased, b. Bangor, Me.; and 4 chn. of Laura S., mentioned in her hus.'s family record, 2 of whom are deceased. Kallock Ide and family res. several yrs. in Wrentham, other several in Franklin, and latterly 15 yrs. in Mil., where he closed a useful and worthy life, Feb. 12, 1877, in the 86th yr. of his age. His venerable wid. still survives at the time of this writing.

IGOE, JAMES, tin and sheet-iron worker; b. April 8, 1844, Co. Leitrim, Ireland; son of James and Celia (Cox) Igoe; m. *Margaret*, dr. of William and —— (Gorman) Fitzgerald, b. 1843, Co. Kilkenny, Ireland; cer. No. Attleboro' Mass., date not given, by Rev. Father Gillett. Their chn.:—

MARY ANN, b. Providence, R.I., Nov. 22, 1865.

JOHN FRANCIS, b. Hopedale, Dec. 13, 1868.

Mrs. Margaret d. Nov. 29, 1871. The hus. m., 2d, *Ann*, dr. of Bernard and Ellen (Torpy) Kelly, b. Co. Roscommon, Ireland, April 16, 1850; cer. Aug. 27, 1872, by Rev. Father Cuddihy. Res., 1st, Philadelphia (Pa.), next, Foxboro' (Mass.), and now for 12 yrs. in Hopedale. Executive business folks, and duly respected.

INGRAHAM, NATHANIEL, and wf. *Sarah*, came into town from Holl., May 9, 1786, bringing with them 2 chn.:—

SQUIRE and SARAH, birth-dates not found.

This family were among those warned out in 1791. No further traced.

INMAN, FENNER M., son of Tourtellott and Achsa (Read) Inman, b. in Northbridge, May 16, 1819; m. *Melissa Mowry*, dr. of Stephen and Mary (Smith) Mowry, b. Johnson, R.I., May 2, 1825; cer. No. Scituate, R.I., March 4, 1846, by Rev. Charles P. Grosvenor. Issue:—

ASA FENNER, b. Northbridge, May 28, 1848; m. Alice B. Chapman, Nov. 29, 1871.

STEPHEN MOWRY, b. Providence, R.I., June 14, 1850.

CLARA MARIA, b. Hopedale, Nov. 7, 1863; an *élite* graduate of our high school.

Mr. Inman and wf. came to Hopedale in 1853, and were more or less closely connected with the Community till 1857. They were actively useful in their respective spheres, of worthy intentions and benevolent sympathies. He was then, and still is, much interested in agriculture. Their son Asa F. grew up an intelligent and promising young man, and m. a no less intelligent and promising young woman for his wf. But their sun went down at noon. He lost his health in the drive of trade, went to Colorado for its recovery, prosecuted the milk-producing business a while, but succumbed to consumption, and d. in or near Denver City, Jan. 1, 1877. His heroic wf. shared his labors and sufferings bravely, survived the wreck of her earthly hopes a few yrs., returned to the East with a broken constitution, and d. in the kind care of his parents, a victim to consumption, June 15, 1881. In the same kind care Mr. Tourtellott, fr. of Fenner M., passed his extreme old age, and d. March 17, 1878, a. 100 yrs. and 9 mos. Their homestead is on West St., and was formerly known as the Eli Chapin place.

JENKS, DARIUS BALLOU, a descendant of Joseph, the immigrant ancestor of a numerous American posterity, who came from Eng. 1645, or before, and set. in Lynn; through the lineage of Joseph, jun., b. in Eng., who set. in Pawtucket, R.I., and built the first house there; son of David and Clarissa (Ballou) Jenks, b. in Smithfield, R.I., Feb. 16, 1830; m., 1st, *Maria L. Jones*, dr. of Alden and Angelina (Parkhurst) Jones, b. Mil., Aug. 25, 1831; cer. Mil., May 17, 1853, by Rev. Henry A. Eaton. Issue:—

ELSIE A., b. Mil., March 5, 1854; m., name not given, Oct. 21, 1874.

EDGAR H., b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1856; m., neither name nor date given.

MARIA L., b. Mil., April 5, 1860; d. Sept. 19, 1860.

Mrs. Maria d. June 29, 1860. The hus. m., 2d, *Louisa J. Hawes*, dr. of Charles and Susan (Guild) Hawes, b. Wrentham, Feb. 25, 1833; cer. Mil., Nov. 18, 1861, by Rev. George Hill. No chn. reported.

Grandchild :—

EDITH M. JENKS, dr. of Edgar H. and wf., b. Feb. 19, 1877.

Worthy family, in good social standing. Mr. J. has long and continuously res. in Mil., mostly engaged in the hardware business; at first, for several yrs., in co. with the late Herman H. Bowers at 77 Main St., and, since his decease, as sole proprietor of the same establishment. He is an honorable dealer with his many customers, and a respected citizen.

JENNISON, Dr. WILLIAM, son of Rev. William Jennison and Abigail, his wf., b. in Salem, 1732; studied med. with Dr. Stanton Prentice, an uncle by mge., in Lancaster, and prob. commenced practice in Weston, whence he was recd. by letter into our Cong. ch., Sept. 10, 1757. Meantime he had come to Mendon, and m. *Mary Staples*, dr. of Abraham and Abigail Staples, b. in Mendon, Oct. 16, 1735; cer. April 24, 1754. Issue:—

MARY, b. Oct. 13, 1755.

WILLIAM, b. Aug. 4, 1757.

SAMUEL, b. May 26, 1759.

TIMOTHY LINDALL, b. July 15, 1761.

ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 31, 1763; d. at the age of 2 yrs.

EBENEZER, b. March 27, 1767.

JOHN FLAVEL, d. in early infancy.

Nathaniel, b. July 30, 1772.

Abigail Lindall, b. Jan. 20, 1776.

Both parents were devoted ch. members, and had all their chn. baptized at the customary age. What became of those that grew up, I am not informed. The doctor was a great trader, as well as somewhat of a physician. He bought of Joshua Chapin the now Obed Daniels place, March 29, 1757. There he kept an inn, and perhaps a store, for several yrs. He was Precinct clerk two yrs., — from 1759 to 1761. A few yrs. later he presented the congregation with a pulpit Bible, which troubled the prejudices of some so much, that Rev. Mr. Frost had to suspend reading it in public. See what is told of this matter toward the close of Chap. V. He seems to have been a man of great energy, activity, and influence. He was prominent during the Revolutionary war, was a member of the Provincial Congress from Mendon, gave a field-piece to the town, served on important committees, and distinguished himself by ardent zeal in the common cause. But somehow he became unsettled in business, moved to Douglas, then to Sudbury, and finally to Brookfield, where he was thrown from his horse, fatally injured, and d. May 8, 1798, a. 66 yrs. Mrs. Mary, his wid., long survived him, and d. in Cambridge, May 3, 1822, a. about 90 yrs.

JOHNSON. Our oldest Johnsons are traceable to John and Sarah of Mendon, who appear first on the records of that town as parents in 1733. Our oldest man of this name was Joseph, prob. a gd. son of the above-named John; but the records are so full of breaks and obvious omissions, that I cannot be certain who his fr. was. I incline to think he may have been the Joseph who m. Jemima Baxter in 1754. I will assume this, and proceed.

JOHNSON, Joseph[3] (Joseph,[2] John[1]), b. prob. about 1760; m., 1st, *Hannah Albee*, ptge. and birth-date not ascertained; cer in Mil., Dec. 12, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. They dwelt for some yrs. in the north-west corner of the town, near the skirts of Upton. Their chn.: —

Eleazer, b. April 14, 1784; m. Sarah Williams, Aug. 9, 1807.

Lovell, b. Jan. 24, 1786; d. May 3, 1802.

Alvan, b. May 8, 1788; m. Alice B. Thurber, Dec. 28, 1834.

I infer, though I have found no record of it, that Mrs. Hannah d. not far from 1790; for the hus. was m., 2d, in 1794, to "Mrs. *Lucy Hayward*, jun." So it is put down in the recorded "intentions." The cer. and particulars I do not find on our records. Prob. it was performed out of town. Their chn.: —

Ezra, b. Sept. 11, 1795; d. Nov. 21, 1798.

Thompson, b. April 20, 1797; m. Aurilla Butler, 1832.

I remember Mr. J. as a laboring man, in humble circumstances, much crippled by some long-standing ailment in one knee. He d. Aug. 2, 1826, falling from a load of hay, and breaking his neck. Mrs. Lucy, his wid., d. March 21, 1832.

JOHNSON, Eleazer[4] (Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] John[1]), b. April 14, 1784; m. *Sarah Williams*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; cer. Aug. 9, 1807, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Lemuel, birth-date not found; d. July 6, 1811.

Caleb Barnum, b. Aug. 3, 1811.

Benjamin Franklin, b. May 20, 1813; m. Diana Smith, Oct. 17, 1833.

Orren Datus, b. Dec. 12, 1814.

Adin Parker, b. Aug. 11, 1816.

Julius Loriel, b. Aug. 18, 1818.

ELEAZER ALBEE, b. July 28, 1821.

No further traced.

JOHNSON, THOMPSON[4] (Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] John[1]), b. April 20, 1797; m. *Aurilla Butler*, ptge., etc., not ascertained, nor precise date of cer., nor where or by whom; but, from publishment of intentions, it must have taken place prob. March, 1832. Their chn.:—

GEORGIANNA WILLIS, b. Nov. 28, 1832.

NEWELL CLARK, b. Sept. 17, 1834.

LUCY MANDANA, b. Sept. 13, 1836.

HULDAH LUCENA, b. April 23, 1838.

NANCY CYRENE, b. Nov. 4, 1841.

No further traced.

JOHNSON, LEVI[4] (Baxter,[3] Stephen,[2] John[1]), b. Mendon, Oct. 7, 1791; long a famous and most expert stage-driver, of whom many stirring anecdotes might be told; mr.'s maiden name Eunice Keith; m. *Martha Wilbur;* cer. Mendon, May 26, 1819, by Rev. Simeon Doggett. Their chn.:—

CHARLES C., b. Aug. 18, 1820; m. Jemima W. Whitney, Sept. 22, 1842.

CAROLINE P., b. May 11, 1822; m. Reuel Dunbar; she d. 1880.

NANCY WILBER, b. May 29, 1824; m. Asa Pond; she d. 1849.

ELIZA F., b. March 2, 1826; m. Lorenzo Gould, March 8, 1846.

LYDIA RUSSELL, b. Jan. 29, 1828; m. Winthrop H. Ring; res. Mil.

SOPHIA GODFREY, b. Feb. 9, 1838; m. George H. Green; she d. 20 yrs. ago.

The hus. and fr. d. in Mil., Oct. 12, 1849. Mrs. Martha, a woman of great mental independence and executive physical energy, d. Sept. 4, 1876, a. 89 yrs. 3 mos., having lived 27 yrs. in widowhood.

JOHNSON, WILLIAM (colored), familiarly called "Black Billy," ptge. not ascertained; was some time of Mil., but later dwelt in E. Mendon, in the neighborhood of So. Mil.; m. *Sarah Brown* in 1828; where and by whom the cer. was performed not ascertained. Mrs. Sarah was a bright, neat, polite woman, much employed in respectable families on festive occasions as a semi-mistress of ceremonies and head female waiter. I do not remember whether they had any chn., but think they had none. Both have gone the way of all the earth some yrs. since.

JOHNSON, Rev. GORDON, of Granby, Ct.; m. *Elizabeth Rawson*, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Nelson) Rawson, b. in our then Precinct, Feb. 9, 1775; cer. Jan. 29, 1804, by Rev. D. Long. They had 1 child recorded here,—

EMMONS, b. Dec. 30, 1804; d. in early infancy.

Also—

JOSEPH RAWSON, b. somewhere in Ct.; birth-date not found; became Cong. clergyman.

The mr. d. Sept. 11, 1806.

JOHNSON, DANIEL, son of Clark and Patty (Goulding) Johnson, b. in Worcester, May 12, 1813; farmer; m. *Lovilla B. Clark*, dr. of Dr. Lyman S. Clark, b. Marion, N.Y., 1818; cer. in Mendon, 1840, by Warren Rawson, Esq. No chn. She d. Nov. 26, 1857.

JOHNSON, NATHAN, son of Clark and Patty (Goulding) Johnson, b. Worcester, Aug. 23, 1817; boot-bottomer; m. *Sylvia Bennett*, dr. of Nathaniel and Prudence (White) Bennett, b. Mil., Sept. 16, 1827; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 18, 1846, by the writer. Their chn.:—

ELVIRA JOSEPHINE, b. Sept. 1, 1847; m. Benjamin F. Warfield, Blackstone, Nov. 12, 1865.

GEORGE WILLIS N., b. March 2, 1849; d. Dec. 20, 1851.
SARAH ADELINE, b. Jan. 20, 1851; m. Ransom J. Clark, Mil., Jan. 27, 1869; 1 child.
NATHAN CLARK, b. Nov. 27, 1852; d. Sept. 2, 1854.
WILLARD J., b. July 4, 1855; d. June 14, 1864.
SYLVIA ETTA, b. Feb. 1, 1858.

Grandchn. — Cora E., Frank Webster, Eva F., Edward Everett; all chn. of Benjamin F. and Elvira J. Warfield, Blackstone. Lilla Josephine, dr. of Ransom J. and Sarah A. Clark, Mil.

Honest, industrious, worthy people.

JOHNSON, CHARLES C.[5] (Levi,[4] Baxter,[3] Stephen,[2] John[1]), b. Mendon, Aug. 18, 1820; mr.'s maiden name Martha Wilbur; foreman in boot-manufactory; m. *Jemima W. Whitney*, dr. of Moses and Susan (Hall) Whitney, b. Upton, Nov. 10, 1820; cer. Up., Sept. 22, 1842, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Their chn.: —

WALTER E., b. March 8, 1844; m., name not given, Oct. 10, 1867; he d. April 6, 1877.
ARTHUR C., b. Nov. 13, 1849.
ALBERT L., b. Sept. 26, 1851; d. Dec. 10, same yr.
DELIA M., b. May 11, 1856.
NELLIE L., b. May 29, 1859.
WILLARD, b. Feb. 4, 1863; d. Nov. 4, same yr.

Grandchn., the chn. of Walter E. and wf.: —

Clara A., b. July 6, 1868.
Charles E., b. Jan. 20, 1871.
William H., b. July 11, 1873.
Albert A., b. Feb. 15, 1875.

Charles C. Johnson is an energetic and executive business man, an independent, reformatory thinker and actor on all subjects, an upright citizen, and the head of a worthy family.

JOHNSON, Col. LEWIS, b. in Bristol, Ct., March 29, 1799; youngest of seven bros. and srs., chn. of Chandler and Elizabeth (Lewis) Johnson, whose names were Raphael, Betsey, Chelsea, Laura, Phebe, Josiah, and Lewis. William Godfrey, always enterprising and public spirited, became acquainted with Mr. Johnson out South, a young tinsmith, took a liking to him, and persuaded him to try his fortune in Mil. He did so, commencing his business in one of Godfrey's shops, just north of Water St. corner. This was in May, 1820. There he was our first dealer in stoves, tin-ware, etc. He had fair success, but in 1825 removed to Woonsocket, R.I., and established his business — the first of his line — in that place. He prospered there, built the Social Hotel, on the site of the present Monument House, and at the end of two yrs. sold his interests to William J. Holder. He then returned to Mil., erected an ample establishment on the then open ground just below where the Alhambra now stands, and successfully pursued his calling down to the time of his sudden death, Feb. 13, 1849. He was a man of bland and courteous manners, commendable public spirit, upright morals, and goodly esteem among his fellow-citizens. He was fond of martial history, exploits, and display. When the Independent Light Infantry Co. of Mil. was organized, in 1826, he was elected its first capt., and thence rose, in rapid succession, to be col. of the regt. to which it belonged. He was m. to Miss *Sally Godfrey Parkhurst*, dr. of John and Lucy (Jones) Parkhurst,

Mil., Sept. 1, 1824, by Rev. D. Long, who also rendered the same service at the marriage of the bride's parents, and afterwards at that of her eldest dr. The col.'s wid. still survives, at this writing, in a green old age. Their chn. were, —

LUCY ELIZABETH, b. June 21, 1825; m. Samuel Walker, Mil.

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE, b. July 27, 1828; cashier Home Nl. Bank, Mil.

JOHN PARKHURST, b. July 12, 1831; d. young.

GEORGE HOLDER, b. Nov. 28, 1834; d. at the age of 19 mos.

SOPHIA PARSONS, b. May 19, 1838; d. July 1, 1864.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, b. April 10, 1840; slain battle Gettysburg, July 2, 1863. See "War-Record."

ABBOTT LAWRENCE, b. Aug. 9, 1842; d. Aug. 9, 1843.

GEORGE ABBOTT, b. May 17, 1845; d. June 23, 1848.

JOHNSON, NAPOLEON B.[3] (Col. Lewis,[2] Chandler[1]), cashier the Home National Bank, Mil.; b., as above stated, July 27, 1828; m. *Mary Tufts Stone*, Athol, dr. of Nathan and Nancy (Willard) Stone. She was b. July 18, 1829; and their mge. was solemnized in Warwick, Oct. 20, 1853, by Edwin Stone, Esq. Their chn.: —

MARY ELEANOR, b. in Mil., Oct. 26, 1857; student Framingham Normal School.

SARAH LEE, b. in Mil., April 12, 1861; d. March 7, 1863.

LEWIS JEROME, b. in Mil., Sept. 24, 1867; student in high school, assists in bank.

BESSIE HELEN, b. in Mil., Sept. 11, 1872.

Excellent family, of high moral tone, and good standing in community.

JOHNSON, GEORGE WILLOUGHBY, is one of our present most enterprising boot and shoe manufacturers, and head of the firm Johnson, Rust, & Co. He is a gentleman of robust physique, energetic temperament, genial address, and generous public spirit. He facetiously credits his stately presence, and fondness for the leather business, to his ancestry, which, perhaps, no one will dispute after understanding the prominent facts. His gt. gt. gd. parents were Stephen and Jemima (Taft) Johnson of Mendon. His gt. gd. parents were Stephen and Hannah (Baxter) Johnson, also of Mendon. His gt. gd. mother became a wf. at the age of 15 yrs., and then weighed 256 lbs., being tall, and in all respects well proportioned. She bore fifteen chn., and still retained precisely the same weight as at mge. Her hus. carried on the tanning business in the Seth Davenport neighborhood, and was a large landholder in that frontier vicinity. He was a lieut. in the Revolutionary war, and won the reputation of having been a brave soldier. One generation farther back gives John and Sarah Johnson as the parents of the first Stephen; but we will start our tabulations with, —

JOHNSON, WILDER[4] (Stephen,[3] Stephen,[2] John[1]), b. in Mendon, March 3, 1768–69; a tanner by trade, who honored leather; m. *Thirza Benson*, b. Mendon, 1773; cer. there, Nov. 26, 1792, by Benjamin Read, Esq. They set. in Upton, and their chn. were, —

DULCENA, b. April 22, 1793; m. William Rice, 1823. She d. April, 1863.

SYLVIA, b. Sept. 30, 1795; d. July, 1799.

HOLLIS, b. April 7, 1798; m. Eveline W. Cook. He d. Dec., 1871.

SYLVIA, again, b. Nov. 10, 1800; m. Elmer Cobb, Mil., 1820. She d. Aug., 1879.

LORING, b. March 28, 1803; m. Mary A. Wood, 1831; she survives. He d. Aug. 11, 1880.

Amanda, b. March 5, 1806; m. Ebenezer Gore, Dec. 19, 1849.

Rufus A., b. May 1, 1809; Unitarian clergyman. He d. Sept., 1860.

Elmira, b. Feb. 14, 1811; d. young.

Henry Dexter, b. Jan. 14, 1817; an honored official in Upton, — 3 yrs. rep. to Gen. Court, 15 yrs. assessor and school-committee man, dep. assessor and collector of int. rev., etc. He d. Dec., 1871. The mr., Mrs. Thirza, d. in Up., Oct., 1843; the fr., Dec., 1845.

JOHNSON, Loring[5] (Wilder,[4] Stephen,[3] Stephen,[2] John[1]), b. March 28, 1803, in New Hampshire, where his parents res. for a short time; for 20 yrs. a boot and shoe merchant in Charleston, S.C., and since then a solid farmer in Upton; m. *Mary Ann Wood*, dr. of Jonathan and Sarah Wood, b. Sept. 17, 1810; cer. Sept. 6, 1831, by Rev. Benjamin Wood, long their Congl. pastor. I will note here the interesting fact, that her mr., the venerable Mrs. Sarah Wood, still survives in remarkable vigor, at the age of over 91 yrs. Chn. of Loring and Mary A. (Wood) Johnson: —

George Willoughby, b. Oct. 6, 1832; our Mil. enterprising boot and shoe manufacturer.

Sarah Thirza, b. Nov. 18, 1843; m. Willard S. Wood, Dec., 1862.

Mr. Loring Johnson d. Aug. 11, 1880.

JOHNSON, George Willoughby[6] (Loring,[5] Wilder,[4] Stephen,[3] Stephen,[2] John[1]), b. in Up., Oct. 6, 1832; m. *Charlotte Parkhurst* of Mil. She was the dr. of Nelson and Hannah (Jayne) Parkhurst, b. May 18, 1837. They were m. Mil., Oct. 21, 1857; cer. by Rev. James R. Johnson. They have res. partly in Boston, but chiefly in Mil. Their chn. are, —

Maude Laura, b. Boston, Nov. 25, 1866.

Mary Josephine, b. Boston, Jan. 28, 1878.

Mr. Johnson had the honor of being a delegate to the famous convention, held at Chicago in June, 1880, by the Republican party, for the nomination of a presidental candidate, and rejoiced in the success of his great favorite, Gen. Garfield. He now deeply laments his untimely death.

JONES. This name has been conspicuous on our records from the first settlements on our territory downward. Eld. John Jones, previously of Mendon town, became possessed of ten or twelve acres of the farm in the Dale as early as 1699 or 1700. There his own pious and stalwart hands felled the sturdy forest, and hewed him out a clearing, which gradually broadened into one of the noblest farms east of Neck Hill. I have already spoken biographically of this eminent pioneer, in Chap. III., and have materials for an interesting enlargement. But I will restrict myself to the more important genealogical facts of his family record.

I think Savage, and others, warrant me in stating, that his gd. fr., Thomas Jones, a tailor, was a native of Caversham, Oxfordshire, Eng.; that he came with his wf. Ann and oldest chn., on board ship "Confidence," to Hingham, in 1638; and that, later in life, he set. in Hull. The chn. of Thomas and Ann Jones were probably Joseph, Benjamin, Abraham, Robert, and others. Their son Abraham, by wf. Sarah, had Benjamin, Thomas, Abraham, Joseph, John, Ephraim, and a dr. not named. The fr. was made freeman in Hull, 1673, and elected rep. to Gen. Court, 1689. The date of his death not ascertained, but that of his will was Jan. 8, 1717.

Our Eld. John[8] was the fifth son, and, according to the inscription on his gravestone, must have been b. about 1669 or 1670. He m. a wf., *Sarah*, not far from 1693. Their chn. were, —

SARAH, b. in Hull, 1694; m. Daniel Corbett, Dec. 4, 1717.
BRIDGET, b. in Hull, 1696; m. James Wood, May 17, 1716.
MERCY, b. in Hull, 1697; m. John Thwing, about 1718 or 1719.
JOHN, Jun., b. in Hull, 1699; set. in Bellingham; d. prob. Sandisfield.
NATHANIEL, b. in Hull, March 31, 1702; set., lived, and d. here.
LYDIA, b. in the Dale, Sept. 17, 1705; m. Jonathan Whitney, Jan. 26, 1726.
ABRAHAM, b. in the Dale, July 2, 1708; res. here; became dea. and eld.
JOSEPH, b. in the Dale, Dec. 27, 1709; res. always on the Jones homestead.

It appears, from Mendon records, that Eld. John paid a ministerial tax there as early as 1691, but none afterward till 1704. This renders it doubtful whether he removed his family from Hull to Mendon until after 1700, though he must have owned real estate there before 1691, and was probably a transient res., going back and forth to Hull. The following recorded votes show that Mendon citizens thought well of him, and were disposed to favor his interests. "March 1, 1703. At a general Town-meeting it passed by vote that John Jones of Hull might lay down and leave his home lot, and twelve acres of his Dubling lot joining together, which lays between the ministry's and Robert Taft's land, for the Town's use, and take it elsewhere if he see cause." Also: "Whereas at a general Town-meeting, the 4th of May, 1674, it was voted that all the land lying between Mill River and Muddy Brook should be for perpetual common, if John Jones of Hull shall see cause to take up 20 acres of the land, exchanged with said town, upon said neck of land near Seth Chapin's, so as not to incommode the road, provided he improves it for his house lot, it is in like manner granted to him, the former vote notwithstanding." These votes suggest three prob. facts: 1, That Jones's home and family were yet in Hull. 2, That he himself was in Mendon much of his time preparing his new home in the Dale. 3, That Neck Hill, as it came to be called, derived its name from belonging to the tract of land between Muddy Brook and Mill River reserved in the vote of 1674 for perpetual common, and which, in the vote of 1703, was styled "said neck of land."

We may confidently conclude that Eld. Jones got possession of his first land in the Dale early in 1700, and commenced clearing a spot for a dwelling-house; that he then built himself a rude, strong barrack, and, later, a small framed house; that meantime he obtained new grants of land adjacent to his first; and that some time during 1703 or 1704 he brought his family from Hull to their new home. Thenceforth he prospered greatly, both in temporal and spiritual affairs. All his chn., sooner or later, became ch. members. He was chosen ruling eld. of the First Church of Mendon in 1736, and, as I have elsewhere told, in 1741 to the same dignity in the Second, or Easterly Precinct Ch. He became a large land-holder, and otherwise rich; married off his drs. and sons influentially, and endowed them liberally with either lands or goods. He made gift deeds of land to John, jun., Nathaniel, Abraham, and Joseph, retaining the latter as his partner on the homestead. His will bears date Dec. 11, 1749. It specifies, with proper references and provisions, his wf. Sarah; sons John, jun., Nathaniel, Abraham, and Joseph; his dr. Sarah, wf. of Eld. Daniel Corbett; dr. Mercy, wf. of John Thwing; dr. Lydia, wf. of Jonathan Whitney; and 8 gd. chn., the chn. of his deceased dr., Bridget Wood, viz., Sarah, Mary, Martha, Mercy, John, Asa, Nathan, and Bridget Wood. He gave his large Bible to John, jun., which, if I could have seen, would have saved me days of anxious research. It ordained his two sons-in-law, Corbett and Whitney, exr's. The witnesses were Rev. Amariah Frost, Simeon Littlefield, and Mary Jones,

the latter prob. his son Joseph's wf. It was proved April 24, 1753, before which time not only the testator, but his wf. Sarah, and son-in-law Corbett, had gone the way of all the earth. His wf. d. March 3, 1750, in her 83d yr. He d. March 28, 1753, in his 84th yr. So say their gravestones, from which it would appear that she was somewhat the oldest.

JONES, JOHN, Jun.[4] (John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas from Eng.[1]), b. in Hull, 1699; m., 1st, *Abigail Holbrook*, July 1, 1723. She was a dr. of Cornelius and Experience Holbrook of Weymouth or Braintree, b. Aug. 19, 1697. Her oldest sister, Mehetabel, was the wf. of the first Dr. John Corbett of Bell.; and it was prob. in Dr. Corbett's family that Jones became acquainted with her. Their chn. were, —

CORNELIUS, b. April 20, 1727; grad. H. U., 1752; clergyman; set. in now Sandisfield, 1756.

ABIGAIL, b. March 28, 1731; untraced.

DAVID, b. Feb. 19, 1734; m. Hannah Pratt, April 25, 1754; lived and d. in Bell.

HANNAH, b. Aug. 20, 1736; m. Joseph Pratt, Bell., Jan. 30, 1755.

Abigail, the mr., d., date not found. The fr. m., for 2d wf., *Elizabeth* ——, date and particulars not found. She had one child, and d. Dec. 2, 1750.

ELIZABETH, bap. Dec. 2, 1750.

The fr., if I understand the somewhat obscure and defective records, m. a 3d wf., and had by her, —

MARY, bap. May 6, 1753; m. John Robinson, March 1, 1773.

JOHN, bap. March 28, 1756.

The fr. did not own covenant and join the ch. till after the death of his 2d wf.; i.e. until Dec. 2, 1750, when he had her child Elizabeth bap. He must have m. his 3d wf. soon enough thereafter to have Mary bap. May 6, 1753; but Mr. Frost's record of baptisms strangely leaves blank the name of this 3d wf. in both the last two cases. The next we learn of John Jones, jun., is, that he was dismissed and recommended, Oct. 8, 1758, to the ch. in No. 3, whereof Rev. Cornelius Jones was pastor. This No. 3, so called, was one of several townships laid out from the public lands by order of Gen. Ct. for sale and settlement. I think they were all designated at first by number, from No. 1 to No. 10. Afterwards, when sufficiently settled, their respective territories were either incorporated under a name, like the older townships, or variously divided and annexed, in convenient portions, to newly organized municipalities. This No. 3 became wholly or partly included in Sandisfield. The Rev. Cornelius Jones was the eldest son of John Jones, jun. He graduated at H. U. in 1752, studied for the ministry, and was ordained in a barn, 1756, first pastor of the infant ch. in No. 3. He had been a member of the Cong. ch. here, and, with a few other dismissed emigrants, assisted to form the young ch. in No. 3. It seems that his fr., for some reason, chose to spend his last yrs. with his son in that then new settlement. There he prob. died, and perhaps his youngest chn. I learn nothing more concerning him or them; but his other son, by the 1st wf., David Jones, lived and died in Bell. By his wf., Hannah Pratt, he had there, —

HANNAH, b. June 18, 1756; d. young.

DANIEL, b. April 2, 1759; lived and d. in Bell., wealthy.

MOLLY, b. March 28, 1761; not traced.

HANNAH, b. May 20, 1764; d. unm., Oct. 24, 1831; and I ministered at her funeral.

I understand that there are no male descendants of these Bell. Joneses left, or at least not in that town. John Jones, jun.'s, lineage no further traced.

JONES, Dea. NATHANIEL[4] (John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Hull, 1702; m., 1st, *Priscilla Corbett* of Bell., date not found. She was a dr. of Dr. John and Mehetabel (Holbrook) Corbett, birth-date not found. Their chn.:—

NATHANIEL, Jun., b. July 19, 1723; set., lived, and d. in now Mil.

SARAH, b. date not found; m. Azariah Newton, Feb. 20, 1745–46.

PRISCILLA, b. July 21, 1738; m. Daniel Gage, Jan. 1, 1756.

SAMUEL, b. Oct. 3, 1744; who was one of our most distinguished and influential citizens.

SETH, bap. April 17, 1748; for yrs., if not always, a citizen here.

No record of other chn. has come to my knowledge. The fr. was a deacon of the First ch. in Mendon, but ultimately connected himself with the Second ch. here. He set. here soon after mge., acquiring considerable landed est., partly by donation from his father and wf.'s father, and partly by purchase, either from the town proprietors or their assigns. He resided mostly, if not always, in the North Purchase, on an estate the bulk of which was a gift from his fr., and which he transmitted to his son Samuel, Esq., who gave it to Capt. Henry Nelson. His wf. Priscilla d. prob. in 1747, soon after the birth of Seth, the date not yet found. He m., for his 2d wf., *Elizabeth Gaye*, Jan. 4, 1748. By her he had one dr.:—

ELIZABETH, b. June 12, 1749; d. Sept. 19, 1767.

Dea. Nathaniel appears to have acquired a handsome property for his day, to have maintained an influential standing in community, and to have left to his descendants, not only a fair heritage of worldly substance, but a good name. He settled much of his est. on his chn. before his death. He d. March 13, 1784; and his wid., Elizabeth, d. Oct. 9, 1791.

JONES, Eld. ABRAHAM[4] (John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in the Dale, July 2, 1708; m. *Keziah Whitney*, date not precisely ascertained, but not far from 1730. She was a dr. of Jonathan and Susanna Whitney, b. Holl., July 31, 1706. Their chn. were,—

SUSANNA, b. Feb. 8, 1732; d. young, Nov. 1, 1736.

JONATHAN, b. Nov. 13, 1733; d. young, Nov. 6, 1736.

KEZIAH, b. Nov. 23, 1737; d. young, between Sept. 6 and 21, 1744.

SARAH, b. Dec. 16, 1739; d. young, between Sept. 6 and 21, 1744.

HANNAH, b. Nov. 8, 1741; d. young, between Sept. 6 and 21, 1744.

JOHN, b. March 23, 1744; m. Abigail Cheney, Dec. 9, 1762.

ABRAHAM, Jun., b. May 3, 1746; m. Olive Bates, Oct. 30, 1765.

SOLOMON, b. April 3, 1748; d. young.

The fr. was an original member of the Cong. ch. here; chosen deacon 1743, and elder 1754. He was undoubtedly a solid and influential man among his Christian brethren and fellow-citizens. He d., according to his gravestone, Feb. 25, 1792, in his 84th yr. His wf., Keziah, preceded him, June 29, 1791, in her 85th yr. Their homestead was long the Dea. Nathaniel Rawson place, latterly known as the Jared Rawson place.

JONES, JOSEPH[4] (John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in the Dale, Dec. 27, 1709; m. *Mary Whitney*, date not precisely ascertained. She was a sister of his bro. Abraham's wf., and dr. of Jonathan and Susanna Whitney, b. Holl., May 28, 1710. Their chn., all b. in the Dale, were,—

SUSANNA, b. Nov. 10, 1733.

HANNAH, b. July 3, 1736; d. young.

Joseph, Jun., b. Sept. 29, 1737; m. Ruth Nelson, dr. of Nehemiah, Dec. 28, 1763.

Mary, b. Oct. 16, 1740; m. James Sumner, Esq., July 7, 1784.

Lydia, b. April 2, 1744; untraced.

Jonathan, b. Aug. 11, 1746; m. perhaps Mary Ball, dr. of Josiah, Sen., May 7, 1767.

David, b. July 10, 1749; d. young.

Timothy, b. April 25, 1751; m. Ann Scammell, Dec. 3, 1771.

Joseph Jones, being the youngest son of Eld. John, always res. with his fr. on the original homestead. I understand the records to show that his fr. gave him a part of the farm, and that they were, to a considerable extent, partners in the management of business from about the yr. 1730 downwards. As such, they reconstructed and greatly enlarged the Hopedale mansion, known in its latter days as the "Old House." Not long before the erection of that mansion, they put a crude dam across the river, near where the Hopedale Machine Shop dam now is, and set up a saw-mill on the west side, almost exactly where the Hopedale Community had theirs at one time. This must have been between 1730 and 1735, the last date being that at which their mansion was enlarged. How long afterward they continued to operate their saw-mill, I have not ascertained. Probably they allowed it to run down during the next 30 or 40 yrs. Joseph Jones must have been a large landholder in his time, and a man of prominent influence. He was one of the original members of the ch. organized in 1741, and an active upbuilder of the new Precinct, but not inclined to hold ch. offices. His wf., Mary, d. July 9, 1788, in her 78th yr. He d. April 3, 1796, in his 87th yr.

JONES, Dearing[4] (Abraham,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Hull, 1702; a nephew of our Eld. John; m., for his 1st wf., *Rebecca Benson* of Hull, Jan. 7, 1729–30. She was b. in 1709; and soon after mge. they removed to that part of Mendon now Mil., to within a mile of his uncle John's. He secured a farm of 60 acres or more on Magomiscock Hill, not far northerly and westerly of what we call the Scammell place. There is some confusion and contradiction in the records relating to this family, especially in those of Mendon. With the assistance of Mr. C. J. F. Binney, a valued Boston correspondent, who is well posted in the genealogy of Hull, I have been enabled to speak much more definitely of Dearing Jones than at one time seemed possible. Following my best light from him and our municipal records, I shall set down his chn. by the 1st wf. thus:—

Rebecca, b. 1730; no further traced.

Sarah Benson, b. 1734; no further traced.

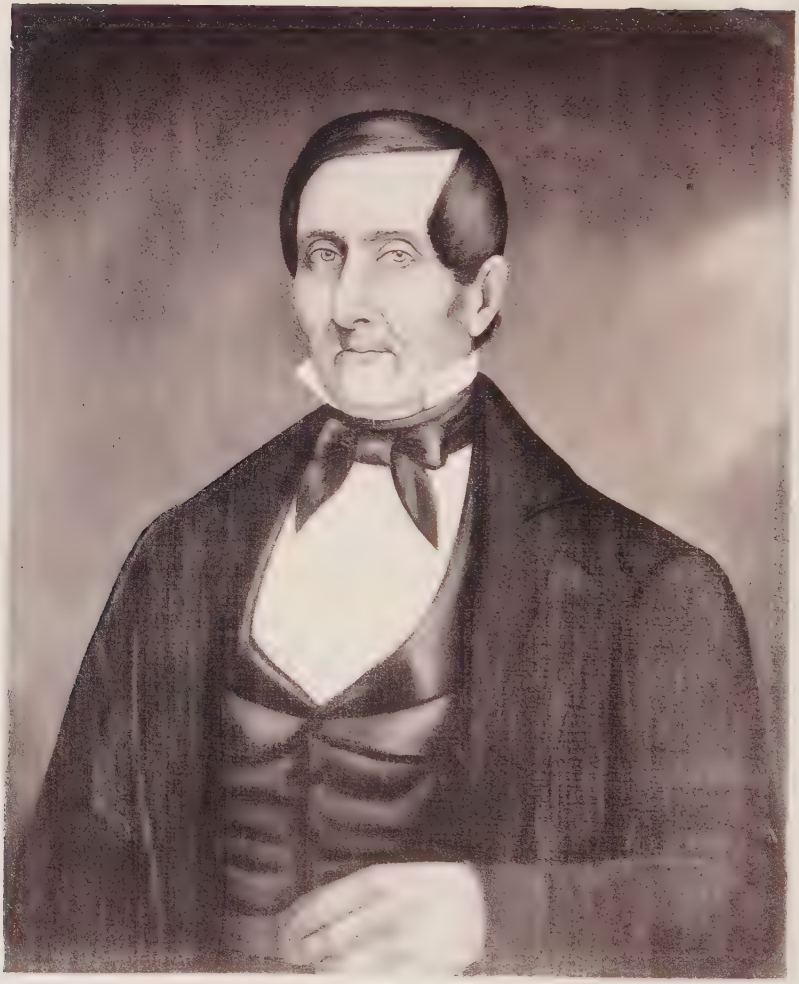
Dearing, Jun,, b. 1738; no further traced.

Some little time after the birth of Dearing, jun., the mr., Rebecca, must have d.; though I find no record of it. But I find one of a second mge., from which it appears that Dearing Jones and Lois Bruce were m. April 11, 1744; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. From this mge. there resulted the birth of at least 1 dr.:—

Abigail, who was bap. by Mr. Frost, May 5, 1745. No further traced.

The fr. d. that yr., and his estate was settled at Worcester by his bro., Abraham Jones, of Hull, whereof I found the record full and explicit.

JONES, Nathaniel, Jun.[5] (Nathaniel,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 19, 1723; m. *Rachel Chapin*, May 20, 1747; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Seth Chapin, jun., and his 2d wf. Elizabeth, b. 1730. Their chn. were,—



Henry Wilson

SETH, b. March 21, 1748; removed to and set. in Charlton.
SARAH, b. Oct. 26, 1749; untraced.
SOLOMON, bap. May 3, 1751; removed to and set. in Charlton.
RACHEL, bap. July 21, 1754; untraced.
NATHANIEL, bap. Oct. 24, 1756; removed to and set. in Vershire, Vt.

The parents were both devoted ch. members. Their homestead consisted of 80 acres, with some 30 acres outside woodlands, situated in the westerly part of Mil., some of it extending from our present West St. to the river.

The fr. d. early in the yr. 1758, having made a considerate will, according to which his est. was duly settled. I noted among the smaller and peculiar legacies, provision that his drs. Sarah and Rachel should be furnished each with a "large Bible;" his son Solomon to have his "wearing apparel;" and Nathaniel, his "great armed chair." His wid. m., for 2d hus., David Wheelock of Charlton, Nov. 5, 1760; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Probably no descendants of the family now res. in Mil.

JONES, SAMUEL, Esq.[5] (Nathaniel,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas [1]), b. Oct. 3, 1744; m. *Mercy Parkhurst*, March 27, 1766; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Isaac and Lydia (Bigelow) Parkhurst, b. March 13, 1746. They had no chn., except by adoption. As elsewhere related, Esq. Jones and wf. adopted Henry Nelson, and made him their principal heir. The family homestead was the one in No. Purchase on which Dea. Nathaniel Jones ended his days, known for the last half-century as the Capt. Harry Nelson place. There Esq. Jones and Mercy, his wid., lived and died.

Samuel Jones, Esq., left the memory of a man highly intelligent, upright, and estimable in all his relations, on whom his townsmen had conferred all their most responsible offices, and who had proved himself eminently worthy of their confidence and honors. He was commissioned as justice peace by Gov. Samuel Adams, March 2, 1797, when that office was held in much higher esteem than in our day, and held it reputably for 21 yrs; i.e., till within a yr. or two of his decease. He d. Dec. 2, 1819. His wid. d. Jan. 25, 1835, a. 89 yrs.

JONES, JOHN[5] (Abraham,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas [1]), b. March 23, 1744; m. *Abigail Cheney*, Dec. 9, 1762; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of William Cheney, jun., and Joanna (Thayer), his wf., b. Nov. 20, 1743. Their chn. were, —

ASA, b. Nov. 20, 1763; m. Hannah Nelson, twin dr. of Dea. Seth, Feb. 13, 1783.
KEZIAH, b. April 1, 1765; untraced.
ABIGAIL, bap. July 12, 1767; untraced.
SARAH, b. July 15, 1768; untraced.
JOHN, Jun., b. Aug. 15, 1770; untraced.
ABRAHAM, b. June 29, 1772; untraced.
LEVI, b. May 8, 1774; untraced.
EBENEZER, b. Oct. 14, 1775; untraced.
DAVID CHENEY, b. March 15, 1778; untraced.

If I correctly understand the ch. records, the fr., mr., and older chn. of this family were dismissed to a ch. being embodied in Wardsborough, Vt., about the yr. 1791. I therefore conclude that the whole family removed to and set. in that town about that time. So I trace them no further.

JONES, ABRAHAM, Jun.[5] (Abraham,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas [1]), b. May 3, 1746; m. *Olive Bates*, Oct. 30, 1765; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Laban and Olive (Wheelock) Bates. Their chn. were, —

Susanna, b. Sept. 25, 1766; m. Daniel Hazeltine, Mendon, May 8, 1788.
Laban, b. Sept. 10, 1768; untraced.
Naomi, b. March 17, 1770; d. April 25, 1770.
Whitney, b. March 22, 1771; m. Elizabeth Hazeltine, Sept. 13, 1792.
Jonas, b. Sept. 13, 1773; untraced.
Solomon, b. Aug. 7, 1775; untraced.
Olive, b. Oct. 29, 1778; untraced.
Lucretia, bap. Oct. 12, 1788; untraced.

It seems that this family, too, emigrated to Wardsborough, Vt., not long after the preceding; for the ch. records say that Abraham Jones, jun., and wf. Olive were dismissed to the ch. in Wardsborough, Vt., June 22, 1795. Likewise Whitney Jones and Elizabeth (Hazeltine), his wf. Daniel Hazeltine had been dismissed to the same ch., Dec. 2, 1792; and May 26, 1793, his wf., Susanna (Jones) Hazeltine, received a like dismission. I therefore trace this family no further.

JONES, Joseph, Jun.[5] (Joseph,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Sept. 29, 1737; m. *Ruth Nelson*, Dec. 28, 1763; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Nehemiah and Hannah (Sheffield) Nelson, b. Oct. 29, 1742. Their chn. were, —

Alexander, b. Aug. 8, 1764; became a successful merchant abroad.
David, b. March 24, 1767; res. here and in various places, but d. here.
Nathaniel, b. March 22, 1769; d. prob.
Lucinda S., b. June 4, 1771; d. Sept. 15, 1776.
Joseph, b. May 17, 1773; d. July 14, 1791, in his 19th yr.
Hannah, b. June 28, 1775; d. Sept., 1776.
Lucinda, b. Aug. 26, 1778; m. John King, Providence, R.I., Sept. 21, 1800.
Betsey, b. Nov. 1, 1780; d. Nov. 13, 1800, a. 20 yrs.
Nancy, b. March 9, 1783; m. Elijah King, Providence, R.I., May 23, 1802.
Noah, b. Nov. 21, 1785; d. young, I suspect.
Wiswall, b. Oct. 22, 1788; d. young, I suspect.

In a conversation with the late venerable Jared Rawson, then over 90 yrs. old, whose mr. was sister to Ruth (Nelson) Jones, he extolled his aunt Ruth as one of the noblest women ever raised in this vicinity, but gave her hus. a very different character. From his statements it appeared that he caused his aged fr. and his own family considerable trouble by his untoward habits of life. His fr. set. him handsomely with himself on his homestead, but afterwards on a large farm in Bungay, so called, which at length he sold to Daniel Hunt. Later he came back, on some terms, to the old homestead. Whatever were his faults, he and his wf. reared up a large, talented, and enterprising family, several of whom made a notable mark in the world. Alexander, the oldest, went into mercantile life at the South, and d. wealthy in Providence, R.I. Others of them won considerable distinction in the pursuits of life. The fr. d., as nearly as I can ascertain, during 1799, and his wid. perhaps 1805.

JONES, Jonathan[5] (Joseph,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in the Dale, Aug. 11, 1746; m. *Mary Ball*, dr. of Josiah and Rachel (Corbett) Ball; cer. May 7, 1767, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Archelaus, b. Feb. 24, 1768.
Lydia, b. Sept. 2, 1774.
Polly, b. Aug. 21, 1779.
Jonathan, b. Feb. 12, 1782.

This family emigrated, and, if my impressions are correct, set. somewhere in Vt. Be this as it may, I cannot trace them further.

JONES, TIMOTHY[5] (Joseph,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in the Dale, April 25, 1751; m. *Ann Scammell*, dr. of Dr. Samuel Leslie and Jane (Libbey) Scammell, bap. May 13, 1750; cer. Dec. 3, 1771, by Rev. Joseph Willard. She was a sister of Gen. Alex. Scammell. Their chn.: —

ANN, bap. July 4, 1773.

JANE LIBBEY, bap. April 10, 1774.

JOHN SULLIVAN, bap. Aug. 4, 1776.

MARY WHITNEY, bap. March 1, 1778.

Must have emigrated. Cannot trace them further.

JONES, ASA[6] (John,[5] Abraham,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Nov. 20, 1763; m. *Hannah Nelson*, a twin dr. of Dea. Seth and Silence (Cheney) Nelson, b. Aug. 2, 1763; cer. Feb. 13, 1783, by Rev. A. Frost. Only a single child recorded here, —

SETH, bap. Nov. 25, 1785.

I infer from the ch. records that this family emigrated to Wardsborough, Vt., just previous to 1793; for it was voted, May 26th of that yr., to dismiss Hannah, the wf., and recommend her to the ch. in that place. No further traced.

JONES, DAVID, Esq.[6] (Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] John,[3] Abraham,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 24, 1767; m., 1st, *Polly Strong* of Williamsburg, Pa., parentage not ascertained; published in Mil., Dec. 25, 1790; cer. prob. in Jan., 1791. Their chn.: —

JULIANA, b. Oct. 14, 1792; untraced, but supposed d. young.

POLLY STRONG, b. Jan. 22, 1794; d. Sept. 14, 1798, in her 5th yr.

JOSEPH STRONG, b. Sept. 20, 1795.

JANE WILSON, b. Sept. 1, 1797; d. June 23, 1798, a. 10 mos.

NATHANIEL, b. Jan. 29, 1799; d. young.

DAVID NELSON, b. April 4, 1803; our well-known ice-cream caterer for several yrs.

David Jones, the hus. and fr., was a man of good intellectual powers, well informed by books, travel, and observation, a fluent and entertaining conversationist, a pleasing letter-writer, and a gentleman of much enterprise. He was for many yrs. an active citizen of his native place, and subsequently prosecuted his fortunes in other States for a considerable time. He lost his first wf., and I think most of his chn., in 1798 and dates not ascertained. At length he returned hither to spend his declining days. Meantime he m., 2d, *Mary Chapin*, dr. of Adams and Olive (Sumner) Chapin, b. Aug, 28, 1793; cer. took place, I suppose, in Boston, 1833, prob. in October, but by whom I have not ascertained. He d. here, Sept. 29, 1841; and I ministered at his funeral. This date is according to my record, but his gravestone says Oct. 20. There is an error between the two; I think my record must be correct. His worthy wid. d. Sept. 17, 1866. His son David N. Jones, famous for his flowers and ice-cream, d. Oct. 20, 1861, a. 52 yrs. I am not critically informed in the details of his personal and domestic history, but infer that he left no descendants.

Another lineage of Joneses came into our territory from Holl. I know not what relationship, if any, the Holl. ancestor sustained to our Eld. John. His name was Thomas, and in Sherborn he was at one time its heaviest tax-payer. He had a son Jonathan; and he a son Jonathan. This grandson of Thomas owned a farm in Braggville, lying mostly in Holl., where his oldest chn. were b. He sold that farm to Aaron Pond. He then came up into our Centre, in 1767,

and bought out Phinehas Lovett, who owned 86 acres of land, with what were then considered respectable buildings. This was afterwards known as the Col. Godfrey place and tavern-stand, or was at least the nucleus thereof. Lovett had been for some time a licensed retailer of spirituous liquors there, and Jones presently fitted up the premises for a tavern. The Worcester records show that he forthwith took out a regular innholder's license. He kept this establishment with success for several yrs., and at length sold it out to John Robinson, a son of the Ichabod Robinson who opened our first inn, some yrs. earlier. Just how Jonathan Jones disposed of himself after he sold out to Robinson, I have not learned, but have been told that he removed with his family to Orange, set. there, spent the remainder of his days comfortably, and has left behind him a numerous posterity. Concerning his descendants, out of this town, I know nothing. He appears to have been a man of much executive ability and enterprise, and to have stood well, both in the church and general society, together with his wf. and family. In his day it was no scandal to piety for a man to be a licensed rumseller. I suppose that he and his wf. d. in Orange. I tabulate the family thus: —

JONES, JONATHAN[3] (Jonathan,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Holl., July 12, 1731; m. *Mary* ——, parentage, birth-date, and particulars of mge. not traced; prob. not far from 1754. Their chn.: —

MELATIAH, b. June 1, 1756; m., 1st, James Sumner, jun., Oct. 29, 1772; 2d, Ebnr. Atwood.

EZEKIEL, b. March 11, 1758; m. Mary Wight, May 9, 1782; marketer and common carrier.

HANNAH, b. March 29, 1760; m. Dr. John Scammell, Nov. 24, 1782.

JONATHAN, Jun., b. Jan. 3, 1763; m. Deborah Nelson, May 28, 1786; set. in Orange.

MARY, b. Oct. 2, 1765; m. Oliver Chapin, April 29, 1784.

OLIVE, b. March 8, 1767; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

ABIGAIL, b. March 8, 1768; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 8, 1769; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

RHODA, b. Dec. 30, 1771; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

AZUBAH, b. March 29, 1775; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

SARAH, b. Aug. 6, 1779; prob. Orange records tell the rest.

See records of Orange for further information.

JONES, Capt. EZEKIEL[4] (Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Holl., March 11, 1758; m. *Mary Wight*, dr. of Eleazer and Ruth (Legg) Wight, bap. March 27, 1763; cer. March 9, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

AZUBAH, b. Dec. 22, 1782; m. Jonathan Fisk Flagg, Hop., April 1, 1811.

CLARINDA b. April 13, 1786; m. Benj. Gibbs, Nov. 24, 1805; d. Oct. 10, 1820.

SOPHIA, b. Dec. 1, 1788; lived a worthy maiden life, and d. Dec. 15, 1871.

JOHN, b. Oct. 5, 1795; m. Malinda Chamberlain, Aug. 23, 1821.

Capt. Ezekiel dwelt on or near what is now called Congress St. He was an honest, peaceable, laborious citizen. Our elderly and middle-aged inhabitants will remember him as a trustworthy marketman and common carrier, in ante-railroad days, even down to old age, driving that covered horse-wagon every week regularly to Boston, carrying and fetching many good things for his townsmen, and often wearily trudging on foot to favor his laden horse. His wf. d. June 1, 1829; and he d. Aug. 13, 1845, a. 87 yrs.

JONES, JOHN[5] (Ezekiel,[4] Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Oct. 5, 1795; m. *Malinda Chamberlain*, dr. of Nathaniel and Pamela (Comee) Chamberlain, b. Hop., 1797; cer. Aug. 23, 1821, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Augustus Chamberlain, b. May 27, 1822; m. Mary A. Ellis, Med., Dec. 24, 1856.

John Willard, b. Jan. 16, 1824; m. Clara Gillman.

Clarinda Selina, b. Jan. 17, 1826; m. Justin E. Eames, Oct. 10, 1849; he d. May 27, 1879.

Charles Prentiss, b. Dec. 7, 1827; unm.; res. Mil.

Mary Malinda, b. Feb. 8, 1830; m. Alfred A. Gibson, Hop., April, 1851.

Julius Monroe, b. Feb. 16, 1832; m. Jennie Olivia Fisher, March 4, 1869; res. Webster City, Ia.

Charlotte, b. March 25, 1834; m. Joseph R. Pierce, June 22, 1862.

George, b. May 15, 1836; m., 1st, Charlotte Wight; 2d, Martha Wight; res. Nebraska.

Lucy, b. June 18, 1838; d. Nov. 18, 1843.

Mrs. Malinda d. Oct. 9, 1874, a. 77 yrs. The hus. d. July 23, 1876, a. 80 yrs. 9 mos.

JONES, Augustus Chamberlain[6] (John,[5] Ezekiel,[4] Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] Thomas[1]) b. Mil., May 27, 1822; m. *Mary A. Ellis*, dr. of Simeon and Mercy Ann (Grover) Ellis, b. Med., Feb. 3, 1822; cer. Med., Dec. 24, 1856, by Rev. David Sanford. Issue:—

Mary Sophia, b. March 21, 1858; d. May 31, 1860.

Irving Ellis, b. Oct. 8, 1860.

Their present res. is 58 Congress St.

JONES, John Willard, promised to post me on his family record, and that of his relatives in Orange; but I received nothing from him, and must send this to press without further information concerning this lineage.

Another different race of Joneses has been represented among our inhabitants, and still is. These descended from John Jones, first of Boston, and afterwards of Hop. I can ascertain no family relationship between this John of Boston and our Eld. John of Hull; though it is possible they may have been of the same stock. This John[1] from Boston m. *Elizabeth*, a dr. of Savil Simpson, Esq., of Hop. Their chn. were,—

Elizabeth, b. date not given; m. Isaac Larned of Oxford, Jan. 1, 1736.

Mary, b. 1714; m. a Mr. Robinson.

Simpson, b. Dec. 3, 1716.

Sarah, b. July 9, 1718; m. a Mr. Chapman.

Jane, b. Nov. 29, 1719.

Anne, b. Nov. 15, 1720; m. Abijah Stone, Oct. 20, 1739, etc.

John, b. Jan. 9, 1722; m. —— Mellen.

Anthony, b. June 8, 1723; m. Elizabeth Alden.

Hannah, bap. Nov. 8, 1724; m. a Mr. Holmes.

Abigail, bap. Feb. 9, 1726; m., 1st, Isaac Smith; 2d, Joseph Cozzens.

The parents appear to have res. in Framingham a few yrs., and then in that part of Hop. now Ashland. The fr. was a talented and influential man in his day,—colonel of militia, just. peace, leading town-officer, a widely employed land-surveyor, arbitrator of legal controversies, wealthy landholder, and withal the holder of several negro slaves. It was he who was called hither by our Easterly Precinct, with four other referees, April 13, 1743, to "state" the spot on which their meeting-house should stand. See Chap. V. He d. Feb. 7, 1773, a. 82.

JONES, Col. John[2] (John[1]), b. in Hop., Jan. 9, 1722; m. *Mary*, a dr. of Dea. H. Mellen; and their chn. were,—

Mary, b. June 19, 1750; m. Maj. Lawson Buckminster of Fram., May 4, 1769.
Elizabeth, b. Jan. 25, 1752; m. Samuel Valentine, Hop., Dec. 5, 1770.
Jonathan, b. Nov. 24, 1753; d. March, 1757.
Abigail, b. Aug. 15, 1758; m. Isaac Clark, Dec. 28, 1780.
Jane, b. March 31, 1761; m. Gilbert Marshall, Fram., Oct. 7, 1782.
Anna, b. date not given; m. Dr. Jeremy Stimpson.
Olive, b. April 28, 1764; m. Rev. Nathaniel How, Jan. 3, 1791.
Rebekah, b. May 10, 1767; m. Rev. Pitt Clark, Norton, Feb. 1, 1798.

So Col. John[2] left no sons, but seems to have had distinguished drs. He d. Sept. 5, 1797.

JONES, Anthony[2] (John[1]), b. June 8, 1723; m. *Elizabeth Alden*, a dr. of Nathaniel Alden of Boston, and gt. gd. dr. of Hon. John Alden, "the stripling who first leaped from 'The Mayflower' upon the rock at Plymouth 1620." Their chn. were, —

John, b. 1753; d. 1824, a. 70 yrs.
Isaac, b. 1757; m. Martha Butler; d. 1818.
Anthony, b. 1755.
Nathaniel Alden, b. dateless.
Elisha, b. dateless; res. of Methuen; emigrated to California; d. there very rich, 1876, a. 104.

JONES, Alexander H.[4] (Isaac,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. Aug. 4, 1784; m. *Mille Morse*, May 31, 1810. She was a dr. of Abner Morse, Esq., and Mille (Leland), his wf., Med., b. June 23, 1789. Res. Fram. Their chn. were, —

Elbridge Morse, b. May 13, 1811; our well-known and respected hatter.
Martha, b. April 16, 1813; m. the late Capt. Charles Eames.
Elijah Morse, b. June 10, 1819; m. Mary Maloy, Oct., 1846; res. Fram.
Harriot Newell, b. Jan. 5, 1823; m. Joseph C. Walker, druggist, Charlestown.

The fr. d. June 13, 1861. The mr. d. Nov. 16, 1851.

JONES, Nathaniel Alden[3] (Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. not found; m., in Hop., *Lois Claflin*, 1770. She was a dr. of Caleb and Mary Claflin, b. Aug. 24, 1749. Their chn.: —

Alden, b. not found; who was in the marine service, and res. in Roxbury.
Polly, b. not found; m. Joel Day, Mil., 1798.
Lois, b. not found; m. Jeduthan Dadmun, Dec. 18, 1800.
Lucy, b. not found; m. John Parkhurst, Mil., Nov. 25, 1802.
Betsey, b. not found; m. Josiah Smith, E. Sudbury, March 26, 1806.
Hannah, b. not found; m. Warren Morse.
Gilbert D., b. not found; untraced.
Izanna, b. not found; m. Phinehas Eames, Mil., July, 1790.
Sally or Sarah, b. not found; m. Otis Parkhurst, Mil., April 10, 1808.
Samuel, b. not found.

Nathaniel A., the fr., lived many yrs. in Fram., but d. in Mil., April 24, 1823. The mr.'s death not found.

JONES, Alden[5] (Alden,[4] Nathaniel Alden,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. in Roxbury, June 18, 1800; m. *Angelina Parkhurst*, Nov. 3, 1822; cer. by Pearley Hunt, Esq. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. Feb. 11, 1799. Chn.: —

Mary, b. Jan. 15, 1824; d. March 20 ensuing.
Sullivan Sumner, b. Dec. 9, 1826; always res. among us.
Luther Parkhurst, b. March 29, 1829; always res. among us.

MARIA LOUISA, b. Aug. 25, 1831; m. Darius B. Jenks, May 17, 1853; d.

HENRY NELSON, b. March 26, 1834; d. Jan. 24, 1838.

The fr. d. Aug. 19, 1834. The mr. d. Oct. 15, 1880, a. 81 yrs. 8 mos. 4 ds.

JONES, GEORGE[5] (Alden,[4] Nathaniel Alden,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. date, etc., not found; m. *Almira Bragg*, Jan. 1, 1824; cer. by Rev. Jacob Frieze. She was a dr. of Col. Arial Bragg and Elizabeth (Chamberlain), his 2d wf. She was b. Oct. 11, 1803. Their chn.:—

APPLETON BRAGG, b. July 25, 1824; res. Mil.; d. April 14, 1863.

CHARLES MAYNARD, b. July 1, 1828; res. Mil.; d. Dec. 17, 1863.

JOHN FISHER, b. June 7, 1833; d. Jan. 18, 1839.

The fr. d. Nov. 28, 1875; and the mr. a few days afterward, Dec. 6, 1875.

JONES, ELBRIDGE MORSE[5] (Alexander H.,[4] Isaac,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. in Fram., May 13, 1811; m., for 1st wf., *Sarah T. Cooledge*, b. June 9, 1814; cer. June 9, 1835. Their only child was—

SARAH H., b. Sept. 22, 1837; d. Dec. 4, 1863.

The mr., Mrs. Sarah, d. Feb. 11, 1839. The fr. m., for 2d wf., *Rosaline A. Merriam*, b. Nov. 14, 1805; cer. June 3, 1840. Their chn.:—

FREDERICK M., b. Dec. 13, 1841; d. Nov. 15, 1852.

ALBERT WHEELER, b. Jan. 19, 1846; now a partner in business with his fr.

The fr. removed from Fram. to Mil., Sept., 1852, and was for several yrs. in partnership with the late Ira Mitchell in the business now carried on by himself and son. An excellent family.

JONES, ALBERT WHEELER[6] (Elbridge Morse,[5] Alexander H.,[4] Isaac,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. in Fram., Jan. 19, 1846; m. *Lydia R. Payson* of Camden, Me., b. Jan. 9, 1850; cer. Aug. 4, 1869. Their chn. are,—

ELBRIDGE P., b. Sept. 5, 1870.

BERTHA M., b. Jan. 10, 1872; d. March 5 ensuing.

CLARENCE A., b. Sept. 1, 1875.

Mrs. Lydia d. Jan. 3, 1879, to the deep lamentation of her family and numerous friends.

JONES, SULLIVAN SUMNER[6] (Alden,[5] Alden,[4] Nathaniel Alden,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. Dec. 9, 1826; m. *Lucia Augusta Gilbert*, dr. of Samuel W. and Polly (Hatch) Gilbert, b. May 9, 1827; cer. May 2, 1852, by Rev. Henry A. Eaton. Their chn.:—

ALLISTER SUMNER, b. Sept. 14, 1853.

HARRIS GILBERT, b. Sept. 9, 1859; d. Sept. 10, 1860.

LETTIE MARIA, b. Dec. 1, 1861; d. Dec. 21, 1863.

LOTTIE AUGUSTA, b. Oct. 1, 1867.

JONES, LUTHER PARKHURST[6] (Alden,[5] Alden,[4] Nathaniel Alden,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. March 29, 1829; m. *Lydia M. Wales*, dr. of Amos and Emily (Cheney) Wales, b. Dec. 16, 1833; cer. May 17, 1853, in ch., same time with 2 other couples, by Rev. Henry A. Eaton. Chn.:—

ANGIE EMILY, b. Sept. 25, 1855; d. Dec. 31, 1857.

MINNIE ELLA, b. April 22, 1858; m. Frank L. Young, Dec. 16, 1878; who have become the parents of a son, Arthur Parkhurst Young, b. Nov. 28, 1879.

JUDSON. A rare name among us. Only one family bearing it has ever res. in town, to my knowledge,—that of Andrew W. Judson. He tells me that his gt. gd. fr., name not remembered, came from Eng. perhaps about 1740, and set. in Stratford, Ct. There, among other chn., he had a son ANDREW, b. Feb. 1, 1749, whom he educated at Dartmouth College, whence he grad. about 1773,

and became a set. orthodox clergyman in Eastford, Ct. He m. *Mary Work*, March 13, 1785. She was b. March 8, 1763. They had several chn., some of whom became eminent in public life. One of their sons received the name of the great Swiss reformer, Zuinglius. Rev. Andrew Judson d. Nov. 15, 1804, in the 26th yr. of his ministry.

JUDSON, ZUINGLIUS, b. in Eastford, Ct., Jan. 30, 1790; m. *Crissa Storrs*, dr. of Rev. William and Abigail (Hovey) Storrs, b. Westford, Ct., March 15, 1793; cer. in Westford, Dec. 4, 1816, by prob. the bride's rev. fr. Issue:—

ANDREW WILLIAM, b. Eastford, Ct., Aug. 26, 1820; m. Lucy B. Matthews, June 16, 1844.

CRISSA, b. Eastford, Ct., April 23, 1823; m. Thomas Clark, Canterbury, Ct.; now d.

Death-dates of the parents not given.

JUDSON, ANDREW WILLIAM[3] (Zuinglius,[2] Rev. Andrew[1]), b., as above, in Eastford, Ct., Aug. 26, 1820; m. *Lucy Bowman Matthews*, dr. of Charles P. and Hannah (Southworth) Matthews, b. No. Brookfield, June 3, 1823; cer. Eastford, Ct., June 16, 1844, by Rev. Francis Williams. Issue:—

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Mil., June 27, 1854; grad. M.D., Jefferson Med. Coll., Philadelphia, 1878.

ROSETTA STORRS, b. Mil., April 8, 1861.

HELEN CECELIA, b. Mil., March 13, 1864.

Intelligent, enterprising, and worthy family. Mr. J. came into Mil. 1853, and set. up as a photographer — the first in that line the town had. He prosecuted that artistic pursuit with fair success 15 yrs.; then sold out, and rested a yr.; then embarked in the house-furnishing business with George M. Sawtelle and A. S. Tuttle, under the firm-title Judson, Sawtelle, & Co.; but at the expiration of 6 yrs. removed to Mendon, where he has res., in the pursuit of various avocations, down to the present time. His son, William Henry, after qualifying himself by suitable preparatory studies, commenced the practice of medicine in Plainfield, Ct., and is now a promising physician in our midst.

KEARNEY, FELIX, son of John and Ann (McCabe) Kearney, b. in the co. of Monaghan, Ireland; date not given; m. *Bridget Cone*, dr. of Timothy and Mary (Higgins) Cone, b. in the co. of Roscommon, Ireland, Feb. 2, 1827; m. in Congleton, Eng., 1850, by a Catholic priest. Their chn.:—

JAMES, b. on the sea, coming over, Feb. 12, 1851; m. Margaret Haggerty, Dec. 25, 1873.

JOHN, b. Mil., in July, 1852; m. Jane Haggerty, sister of James's wf.

PETER, b. date not given; soon d.

ANN, b. Mil., Nov. 12, 1856; yet unm.

MARY, b. Mil., June 12, 1858; yet unm.

MARGARET, b. Mil., Feb. 9, 1861; yet unm.

FELIX, b. Mil., March 12, 1864; yet unm.

These parents res. on Freedom St., near Hopedale, — honest, industrious, frugal, laboring people.

KEARNEY, JAMES, son of Felix and Bridget, b., as aforesaid, Feb. 12, 1851; m. *Margaret*, dr. of James Haggerty, Mil.; cer. Dec. 25, 1873, by Rev. Father Cuddihy. Their chn.:—

JAMES, FRANCIS, and WILLIE. James, jun., d. Res. in Whitinsville.

KEARNEY, JOHN, 2d son of Felix and Bridget; m. *Jane*, dr. of James Haggerty, Mil.; date of mge., etc., not given. Three chn.:—

ANNIE, FELIX, and EVA, birth-dates not given. Res. near Felix and Bridget Kearney.

KEBBY, ISAAC[5] (Isaac,[4] Edward,[3] Joshua,[2] Edward[1]), b. Holl., date not found; mr.'s maiden name, Phebe Whitney; m., 1st, *Sally Bragg*, dr. of Arial and Sarah (Fisher) Bragg, youngest sister of Col. Arial Bragg, b. Franklin, 1778; cer. Mil., March 27, 1808, by Samuel Jones, Esq. No issue recollected. Mrs. Sally d., date not ascertained; and the hus, m., 2d, *Keziah (Adams) Miller*, date and particulars not ascertained. Issue:—

SALLY and LYMAN M., birth-dates not ascertained. Lyman M. m. Elizabeth Kingsbury, and res. in Holl., or did.

Isaac, the fr., was of Holl.; and, though some yrs. a res. of Mil., d. in Holl. Worthy people; and I regret being unable to give a more satisfactory record of their family.

KEBBY, KEZIAH, sister of Isaac, b. Holl., March 28, 1768; will be recollected by our elderly people as the mr. of Mrs. Carmel Cheney. She d. out West.

KEBBY, GEORGE D., owns the farm in No. Purchase, on Tyler St., originally the homestead of Dea. Nathaniel Jones, then, by inheritance, of Samuel Jones, Esq., and then of Capt. Henry Nelson, where a gold mine has recently been opened. Mr. K. has reported no family record to me, and I have no knowledge of his pedigree. His name has appeared in all our directories from 1872 downward.

KEITH, NATHAN, pedigree not ascertained; said to have been of Uxbridge formerly; m. *Mary Kimball*, dr. of Jonathan and Mary (Cheney) Kimball, birth-date not found; cer. Dec. 10, 1809, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Issue:—

LYDIA BROWN, b. Sept. 14, 1810; m. William Sprague, Aug. 24, 1834. One or more that d. very young.

MARIANNA AUGUSTA, b. Oct. 5, 1828; m. Barney Harris.

I think Mr. K. set. in town in 1815, at the place on Main St., E., still bearing his name. He d. in 1856. His wid. d. in 1872.

KEITH, LYMAN MADISON, son of Lyman and Chloe (Rawson) Keith, gd. son of Comfort and Deborah (Nelson) Keith, b. Uxbridge, May 10, 1818; m. *Lydia Raymond Bowen*, dr. of Benjamin and Nancy (Raymond) Bowen, b. Westford, Ct., April 1, 1824; cer. in Uxbridge, Oct. 14, 1846, by Eld. Robbins. Issue:—

ALBERT BENNETT, b. Northbridge, July 4, 1847; res. with his fr. in Hopedale.

AZORA LIZZETT, b. Uxbridge, Sept. 6, 1849; d. April 8, 1850.

ANN ELIZA LAVAN, b. Uxbridge, Sept. 3, 1834; d. April 8, 1858.

CHARLES MOWRY, b. Uxbridge, March 30, 1857; res. with his fr. in Hopedale.

A kind-hearted, honest, industrious, worthy family. Mrs. Lydia, the devoted wf. and mr., d. in Hopedale, June 12, 1877, to the great loss and sorrow of her bereaved hus., chn., and friends. It may not be amiss for me to give the whole family record of Mr. K.'s parents, Lyman and Chloe (Rawson) Keith:—

JOSEPH C., b. March 8, 1814; m. Mary Adams, Oct. 19, 1836.

SYLVIA, b. March 9, 1816; m., 1st, William S. Braman; 2d, Samuel L. Greene.

LYMAN M., b. May 10, 1818; m., as above, Lydia R. Bowen.

WELLINGTON, b. April 4, 1820; m., 1st, Almeda B. Preston; 2d, Katie Drury.

WILLIAM E., b. Aug. 30, 1822; m. Harriet Treadway, Aug. 20, 1846.

Daniel T., b. May 12, 1825; m. Mary Jane Cook, June 27, 185.
Albert, b. May 20, 1827.
Chloe A., b. Aug. 18, 1831; m. Royal Peters, April 18, 1850.
Andrew J., b. May 25, 1834; m. Hannah M. Mowry, Oct. 26, 1853.

KELLEY. About the yr. 1779 Jeremiah Kelley came into possession of the ancient Benjamin Alby corn-mill premises and appendages, afterwards called the Alvan Allen place, and now chiefly owned by Lewis B. Gaskill. Whence Jeremiah Kelley came, or to what family branch of the Kelleys he belonged, I have not been at the pains to ascertain. He seems to have been a clothier, or to have been the fr. of three sons who were clothiers. I infer that he bought of William Sheffield, or his heirs, this mill-privilege, which included a clothier's establishment, for the benefit of his sons. They soon set. on and near it, whether by his gift while yet alive, or last will and testament, I have not informed myself. There our records show them to have made their homes. And they were all of the Society of Friends, as prob. their parents had been before them. Their names were George, Luke, and Wing.

KELLEY, George, son of Jeremiah; birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Keziah* ——; ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. according to custom of Friends. Their chn., as recorded here, were, —

Rebecca, b. Nov. 21, 1785.
Rhoda, b. March 18, 1787; m. Benjamin Bates; survived him, and d. Aug. 24, 1878, a. 91.
Samson, b. April 18, 1789.
Sylvia, b. July 5, 1795.
Seth, b. March 5, 1800.

It seemed to be very difficult for me to obtain the data I needed to make out a full record of this family, and I gave it up. So I am unable to give births, mges., and deaths, as I would like. From what I can learn, George Kelley and his family had a respectable standing in society, and were worthy people.

KELLEY, Luke, son of Jeremiah; birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Hannah Drusey*, according to usage of Friends; date of cer. not ascertained. Our records credit them with chn. as follows: —

Drusey, b. Oct. 5, 1781; m. Dexter Carpenter of Mendon, 1801.
Betsey, b. April 18, 1786; m. Newell Nelson in the spring of 1806.
Alexander, b. Feb. 10, 1789; d. Jan. 19, 1798.
Jeremiah, b. March 11, 1796; m. Louisa Cutler, Sept. 11, 1825.
Hannah, b. Jan. 6, 1798; m. Vervilla Taft of Mendon; d. recently.
Luzern, b. April 20, 1800; m. Ellis Taft of Mendon; she d. Dec. 10, 1868.

A worthy and deservedly respected family. They have all passed away. Hannah, next to the youngest, lingered last on the shores of time, residing with her chn. in Providence, R.I., an aged wid. Luke, the hus. and fr., d. in this town, Oct. 16, 1828; and Hannah, his wid., April 10, 1835.

KELLEY, Wing, son of Jeremiah; birth-date, etc., not traced; m. *Mary Gaskill* of Mendon, dr. of George and Sarah (Reed) Gaskill, b. 1751; cer. Dec., 1803. Their chn.: —

Sarah, b. June 12, 1804; m. Rev. George W. Stacy, Oct. 16, 1834.
George, b. Feb. 7, 1806; understood to have d. young.
Sylvia, b. Jan. 3, 1809; m. Calvin Barber, jun., then of Bell., April 19, 1830.

MARY ANN, b. June 21, 1816; d. Dec. 3, 1823.

A family of like worthiness and good repute with the preceding. The hus. and fr. d. in early middle age, very soon after his youngest child, Dec. 14, 1823, leaving his family in deep affliction. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. in the family of her dr., Mrs. Stacy, in Mil., where she had been dutifully cared for, Oct. 26, 1851, a. 80 yrs.

KELLEY, JEREMIAH, son of Luke, and gd. son of the first-mentioned Jeremiah, b. March 11, 1796; m. *Louisa Cutler*, dr. of Moses and Nancy (Mellen) Cutler, b. 1803; cer. in Mil., Sept. 11, 1825, by the writer. Their chn.:—

AN INFANT, b. Feb. 28, 1830; d. Aug. 29, 1830.

JEREMIAH MELLEN, b. Nov. 5, 1836; m. Amanda Cook, Winfield, N.Y.

I have a vague impression that more chn. were born to these parents, and d. in early infancy, but have not found a record of any. I am sure, however, that Jeremiah Mellen Kelley is their only surviving offspring. Mrs. Louisa d. in Mil., Feb. 2, 1855. He d. in Mendon, Dec. 23, 1856. They both had a reputable pedigree, and stood well in the estimation of the community. He was naturally enterprising, and entered somewhat into trade. He was quite an intelligent thinker, and independent in his opinions. When the Anti-slavery movement arose, he was an early convert, and took hold zealously with the Liberty party, which merged into the Free Soil, and finally into the Republican party. He was also an active citizen in town affairs, serving as selectman, assessor, and, in 1841, as representative to the Legislature.

KELLEY, JEREMIAH MELLEN, son of Jeremiah and Louisa (Cutler) Kelley, b. as above; left this part of the country unm. He finally set. in or near Utica, N.Y., where he is successfully operating a variety store. I am told that he m., in Winfield, N.Y., a gd. dr. of Otis Cook, who was an elder bro. of Peter Cook, deceased, who was gd. fr. of our Cook brothers at the meat market. Her name is said to be Amanda, as given above. No particulars reported concerning the mge. They have no chn.

Numerous other Kelleys have dwelt among us latterly. I find the names of 22 in our Directory for 1880; but none of these have reported a family record for insertion in this work. I suppose most of them are Irish Americans.

KENDALL, DANIEL, ancestry, ptge., birth-date, etc., not traced; m. *Anna Nelson Parkhurst*, dr. of Amasa and Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Mil., July 18, 1797; cer. Mil., Nov. 7, 1819, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

LUCY MARIA, b. Mil., Sept. 26, 1820.

There were other chn. b. elsewhere. Our records do not enable me to trace this family further. I have an impression of being told that they left town, and that parents and chn., one after another, d., till the whole family became extinct.

KENDALL, GEORGE HARRIS[7] (Amasa,[6] Nathan,[5] Thomas,[4] Eliezer,[3] Thomas,[2] Francis[1]), b. Framingham, Aug. 18, 1820; mr.'s maiden name, Abigail Mayhew; m. *Harriet Clementina Wales*, dr. of John Mc. and Phebe G. (Bartlett) Wales, b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1827; cer. March 10, 1847, by Rev. Benjamin Wood of Upton. Their chn.:—

PHEBE MARIA, b. Mil., May 22, 1849.

GEORGE HARRIS, b. Mil., June 16, 1850; d. Sept. 3, 1855.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1857.

A worthy family in good standing. Mr. K. is an industrious, efficient carpenter, who minds his own business, and is an orderly townsman. He has res.

in town over 37 yrs. He reports his fr., Amasa Kendall, to have d. Sept. 4, 1870, a. 83 yrs. 9 mos. and 17 days; also his mr., Abigail (Mayhew) Kendall, to have d. Nov. 3, 1867, a. 76 yrs. 2 mos. and 1 day.

KENDALL, LYMAN, and wf. *Nancy*, pedigrees not ascertained, are credited on our records with three births; viz., —

MARY ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 2, 1822; m. Willard F. Barber, Nov. 11, 1842; she d. May 5, 1881.

NANCY AMELIA, b. March 24, 1824; untraced; prob. d.

GEORGE LYMAN, b. July 4, 1838; m., 1st, Adaline F. Treat; 2d, Sarah A. Batson.

Worthy people. If I do not misrecollect, Mr. Kendall d. since 1875. His venerable wid. still survives, being kindly cared for in the family of her son-in-law, W. F. Barber, in Framingham. The recent loss of her excellent dr., Mary A. Barber, was a crushing bereavement to her, as to all the family. George Lyman res. in New York City. He has lost two wives, I think, and is childless. Such, at least, is my impression of statements made to me about the time of his sister Barber's funeral.

KENDALL, DAVID K.[7] (Amasa,[6] Nathan,[5] Thomas,[4] Eliezer,[3] Thomas,[2] Francis[1]), b. Fram., Jan. 22, 1829; m. *Catherine G. McWales*, Jan. 2, 1852. Has one dr. living; viz., —

Mrs. HENRY MANN, who res. on Grove St.

KENDALL, EDWARD, carpenter. Directory, 1856.

KENDALL, ANDREW L., steam-mill. 1856.

KENDALL, GEORGE L., butcher. 1856, '72, '75.

KENDALL, GEORGE, clerk. 1869.

KENDALL, D. KELLOGG, carpenter. 1869, '72, '75, '80.

KENDALL, Rev. S. C., clergyman. 1869, '72.

KENDALL, SARAH B., wid. of Thomas. 1875, '80.

KENT, ISAAC, and *Rachel*, his 1st wf., were received into our Cong. ch., April 11, 1746, on recommendation from the 2d ch. in Hingham, so they prob. came from Hingham to our Precinct not long before the above date. I have no convenient means of tracing them behind this record. They set., if I mistake not, on a farm in the south-easterly part of Bear-hill district. They had the following-named chn.: —

ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 15, 1746; d. young.

REBECCA, b. Aug. 11, 1748; d. young.

ANNA, b. July 25, 1750; d. young.

JOSHUA, b. Jan. 31, 1751.

ABIGAIL, b. March 1, 1752.

ARAD } (twins), b. Oct. 4, 1754.
ZARAH } b. Oct. 4, 1754.

JOHN, bap. May 1, 1757.

Mrs. Rachel d., date not found. The hus. (said to be of Bell.) m., 2d, *Sarah Wheelock* of Mendon, May 17, 1770; cer. by Rev. Mr. Willard of Mendon. Mr. Kendall had prob. before this mge. moved across the line into Bell. By this 2d wf. was born, —

ISRAEL, b. May 28, 1773.

The fore-named chn. were all duly baptized, and the ch. records of about the last birth-date say that Mr. Kendall was dismissed to the ch. in "Anapolis, Granville." I do not quite understand where "Anapolis, Granville," was. Anapolis is misspelled; and there were Granvilles in our county of Hampshire,

in Vt., N. Y., etc. It seems rather likely that a parish or village in Granville Mass., was meant; but I have not time to ascertain. This dismissal to the ch. in Granville is the last I learn of Isaac Kent and his family. I recollect no one of this name on our records from Isaac's departure till the arrival of —

KENT, THOMAS GODDARD, Esq., son of John and Mary (Goddard) Kent, b. Fram., Dec. 12, 1829. He entered Yale Col. in 1847; grad. therefrom in 1851; studied law with the late Judge Edward Mellen, and was admitted to the bar at the term of the Supreme Court held in Worcester, Oct., 1853. Immediately thereafter he opened his law-office in Mil., and has since devoted himself to the practice of his profession with eminent success. He takes rank among our foremost lawyers, if not at their head; has been intrusted with much public and private responsibility; stands high as a citizen, and represented our legislative district in the Gen. Ct. of 1869. He has been twice m.: 1st, to *Annie E. Snyder*, dr. of Peter and Sarah (Freeland) Snyder, b. Claverack, N.Y.; cer. 1840; further particulars not given. Mrs. Annie d. without issue, in Dec., 1863. He was m., 2d, to *Charlotte Elizabeth Woodbury*, dr. of Rev. James T. and Mrs. Augusta (Porter) Woodbury, b. Nov. 3, 1846; cer. Aug. 21, 1866, by whom not given. Mrs. Charlotte d. without issue, June 21, 1877.

KENT, CHARLES, bootmaker, is named in Directory of 1856, as res. here. Left.

KENT, JAMES, bootmaker, is named in directories from 1869 down to 1880; not reported.

KENT, EDWIN F. (Watson & Kent), dry-goods; here 1875. Gone.

KENT, ASA G., agent Singer Mnfg. Co., 170 Main St., house 54 Pearl St.; not reported.

KENT, EDWARD, bootmaker, prob. son of James, boards with James, Water St.

KENT, JOHN, bootmaker, prob. son of James, boards with James, Water St.

No family record received from James, Edward, or John.

KILBURN, JOHN,[1] was the first of this name in our vicinage. I have not ascertained his ancestry. He prob. came from Rowley. He took up 15 acs. of land on the north side of the Cedar Swamp, March 22, 1723. He afterwards acquired several parcels, either out of *common*, or by purchase from individuals, till he became a considerable landholder. The larger body of this property was near the Cedar Swamp, on the west side of our present Cedar St., extending southerly from the swamp through Horace B. Hero's homestead, across Main St., to Bear Hill. He m. *Rebecca;* but who she was, when, where, or by whom m., I have not ascertained. Their chn.: —

MARY, b. June 4, 1729.

JOSIAH, b. — 21, 1731; m., 1st, Deborah Atwood, 1756; 2d, Martha Thwing, 1760.

HANNAH, b. July 9, 1734; unm.; d. in old age, Dec. 4, 1821, a. 87 yrs.

SARAH, b. July 13, 1738; m. Stephen Thompson, Sept. 19, 1758.

RACHEL, b. Aug. 5, 1740; unm.; d. in old age, July 31, 1817, a. 77.

I do not find that the parents were members of the Cong. ch., as might naturally be supposed, but learn nothing from the records to the disparagement of their moral character. John Kilburn d. April 4, 1753. Date of his wf.'s death not found.

KILBURN, JOSIAH,[2] son of John and Rebecca, b. 1731; m., 1st, *Deborah Atwood*, of whose parentage, birth-date, etc., I am not certain. She was a sister of Mrs. Moses Chapin, Eldad Atwood, Mrs. Daniel Daniels, and Mrs. John Beals. Cer. March 18, 1756, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Their chn.: —

JOHN, b. Nov. 19, 1756; m. Abigail Littlefield, Holl., Jan. 15, 1780.
STEPHEN, b. Oct. 14, 1758; m. Hannah Wight, Mil., March 31, 1782.

Mrs. Deborah d. 1759. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha Thwing*, dr. of John and Mercy (Jones) Thwing, b. March 10, 1735; cer. Oct. 31, 1760, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

SARAH, b. June 16, 1761; m. Amzi Holbrook, Bell.; she d. 1830.
DAN, b. Oct. 21, 1762; m. Joanna Cutler, Sept. 9, 1787.
DEBORAH, b. April 26, 1764; lived unm., and d. June 19, 1833.
SIMEON, b. April 6, 1765; untraced.
MERCY, bap. May 15, 1768; untraced.
JOSIAH, b. June 28, 1769; m. Phebe Bullard, 1797.
HENRY, b. April 12, 1771; m. Lydia Gould, Feb. 21, 1799.
MARTHA, b. Feb. 3, 1773; lived unm., and d. Sept. 17, 1835.
NATHANIEL, bap. June 25, 1775; untraced.
TIMOTHY, bap. April 6, 1777; untraced.

The two wives belonged to the Cong. ch., and had all their chn. duly baptized. This Josiah, sen., dwelt many yrs. on what has been known as the Nathan Keith place, on the Holl. road, near where the present schoolhouse has been built. He had a considerable farm thereabouts, besides woodlands and other parcels in his vicinity. I think I have been told that his fr. before him owned largely in the same neighborhood. He d., date not found. Mrs. Martha, his wid., d. May 31, 1826, being over 90 yrs. of age.

KILBURN, JOHN[3] (Josiah,[2] John[1]), b. Nov. 19, 1756; m. *Abigail Littlefield* of Holl., June 15, 1780; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. I suspect that he must have spent his married life outside of Mil., perhaps in Holl. I find little or no trace of him on our records after mge.

KILBURN, STEPHEN[3] (Josiah,[2] John[1]), b. Oct. 14, 1758; m. *Hannah Wight*, dr. of Eleazer and Ruth (Legg) Wight, bap. April 15, 1764; cer. Mil., March 31, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

ELEAZER, b. Jan. 1, 1783; d. Aug. 16, 1810.
POLLY, b. April 5, 1785; deaf and dumb; d.
DEBORAH, b. Aug. 22, 1789; m. Alpheus Bullard.
OTIS, b. March 8, 1797; m. Catherine Albee, March 29, 1818.
OLIVE, b. Aug. 29, 1799; deaf and dumb; d.
STEPHEN, Jun., b. Sept. 5, 1801; d. Oct. 27, 1820.

Stephen Kilburn had a various and somewhat afflictive experience. He commenced business as a trader, and kept a small grocery for some yrs. on or near the site of the present Mansion House. I think I have been told that he owned the real estate on which his store stood. He was a licensed retailer of spirituous liquors, and seemed to flourish for a time, but ultimately failed, losing nearly his all, and causing serious losses to some of his financial friends. He became poor; losing also his wf., and some of his chn. Meantime two of his drs. were deaf and dumb. Thus he struggled onward in humble circumstances to old age. He dwelt during his latter yrs. in the little house, still standing, just west of the junction of Cedar with Main St., E. Mrs. Hannah, his wf., d. May 20, 1810. He d. April 27, 1838, in his 80th yr.

KILBURN, JOSIAH, Jun.[3] (Josiah,[2] John[1]), b. June 28, 1769; m. *Phebe Bullard*, dr. of Nathan and Bathsheba (Hill) Bullard, b. April, 1769; cer. Nov. 9, 1797. Their chn.:—

EDE, b. Jan. 29, 1798; untraced.
ELECTA, b. March 16, 1800; m. Royal Kimball, Aug., 1846.

Hiram, b. Aug. 21, 1802; m. Roxana Adams; he d. 1862.
Wealthy, b. March 29, 1805; d. Oct. 27, 1828.
Paulina, b. July 12, 1808; m. Leander Thomas, Bell., 1828.
John Thwing, b. May 18, 1811; untraced.
Joanna, b. July 12, 1814; untraced.

Josiah Kilburn, jun., dwelt on a nice farm near Medway line, most or all of which is now owned by Thomas W. Wood. His domicile stood on the old Medway road, now discontinued, on the height of land nearly north of Thomas W. Wood's. See my description, No. 35, "Abandoned Home-sites," Chap. XV. He bought this farm of Seth Allen, who had it of one Riley, whose predecessor's name I have not been told. Mr. K. d. some time in 1846. Mrs. Phebe's death-date not ascertained. Their son Hiram came into possession of the farm after the death of his fr., built him a new house on the present Medway road, and finally sold the place to Thomas W. Wood, who now occupies it. Hiram m. *Roxana Adams;* but I have not ascertained her ptge., birth-date, or particulars of the mge. They had 2 chn., as I learn indirectly; viz., Charles and George, birth-dates not given. Hiram, their fr., d. in 1862; and, further, I have no information concerning his surviving family, nor concerning his bro. John and sister Joanna.

KILBURN, Henry[3] (Josiah, sen.,[2] John[1]), b. April 12, 1771; m. *Lydia Gould* of Holl., birth-date not found; cer. Holl., Feb. 21, 1799, by Rev. T. Dickenson. Their chn.: —

Lydia, b. Oct. 18, 1799; still survives unm. at the age of over 80 yrs.
Louisa, b. 1801; d. unm. Feb. 27, 1860.
Danforth, b. April 3, 1803; d. Nov. 29, 1816.

This family res. mostly, if not wholly, in Mil. The hus. and fr. d. Sept. 24, 1803. His wid., Mrs. Lydia, survived him many yrs. She was famous and useful for her knowledge of medicinal herbs and prescriptions, as well as ministrations to the sick. She d. many yrs. ago, but I have not the date.

KILBURN, Otis[4] (Stephen,[3] Josiah, sen.,[2] John[1]), b. March 8, 1797; m. *Catherine Albee*, dr. of Caleb and Mercy (Twitchell) Albee, b. April 2, 1798; cer. March 29, 1818, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Catherine, b. June 5, 1822.
Clementina, b. Nov. 21, 1824.
Sophia Ann, b. April 11, 1827.
Hannah Maria, b. June 28, 1828; m. Joel L. Stanford, June 28, 1837.

This family dwelt, after the death of Mr. K.'s fr., in the house he left near the junction of Cedar with E. Main St. Mr. K. was for many yrs. an agent for newspapers and periodicals; perhaps the first publicly advertised one in town. He also cleaned clocks extensively, and was ingenious in various ways. He continued travelling about cleaning and regulating clocks almost to the end of his days. He and his wf. became members of the Cong. ch. in 1832. Their death-dates are not readily at my command.

KIMBALL, Boyce, said at mge. to be of Hop., was m. to *Rebecca Hayward* of our Precinct, Dec. 4, 1755, by Rev. A. Frost. They were received into our Cong. ch., Nov. 22, 1761. Their chn.: —

Jonathan, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Nov. 22, 1761; m. Mary Cheney.
Ebenezer, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Jan. 22, 1764.
Susanna, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Oct. 2, 1768.
Priscilla, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, April 7, 1771.
Timothy, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, July 4, 1773.

Richard, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, June 25, 1775.

Amasa, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, July 6, 1777.

Rachel, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, May 16, 1779.

I presume this family set. and dwelt in our Bear-hill district. I am not certain that the above named were all the chn., for I find among Rev. Mr. Frost's mges. that, —

KIMBALL, Rebecca, was m. to *Ziba Holbrook*, Nov. 7, 1782. She may have been an elder dr. I also find that, —

KIMBALL, Boyce, was m. to *Mary Pike* of Bell., May 2, 1782. Whether this was a son, or the fr. himself m. a 2d time, I am uncertain. No other mges., births, or deaths of the family found within the scope of my research.

KIMBALL, Nathaniel, pedigree untraced, was m. to *Abigail Despeaux* (See Despeaux), May 29, 1794, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Issue recorded here: —

Moses, b. Dec. 23, 1794; and Ede, b. Dec. 11, 1796.

KIMBALL, Jonathan, presumed to be the son of Boyce and Rebecca (Hayward) Kimball, b., as above, Nov. 22, 1761; m. *Mary Cheney*, dr. of Caleb and Mary (Wheelock) Cheney, b. Sept. 28, 1762; cer. July 7, 1781, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

Betsey, b. March 25, 1782.

Benoni, b. April 11, 1790.

Relief, m. Phinehas Taft, May 22, 1808.

Mary, m. Nathan Keith, Dec. 10, 1809; and Royal, m. Electa Kilburn.

No birth-dates ascertained, except of those specified. Prob. the others were b. out of Mil. Whether there were any more, I am uninformed. Mr. K., the fr., d. July 31, 1823. Mrs. K.'s death-date not found.

KIMBALL, Royal, the son, who m. *Electa Kilburn*, Aug., 1846, has deceased, and Mrs. Electa is cared for in our asylum. Mary (Kimball) appears in her hus.'s family record. I presume all the others have passed away at various unascertained dates.

KIMBALL, Laura, wid., appears in directories for 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

KIMBALL, Fred J., machinist at Hopedale. Directory for 1872.

KIMBALL, Charles, machinist, on Hartford turnpike. Directory for 1878.

KIMBALL, Mrs. O. T., teacher of vocal music, and our popular singer. Directories for 1880, etc.

KING. Not a common name in our annals. The first recollected was —

KING, Elijah, of Providence, R.I. He m. *Nancy Jones*, dr. of Joseph, jun., and Ruth (Nelson) Jones, b. in Mil., March 9, 1783; cer. May 23, 1802, by Rev. D. Long. No further reported.

KING, John, bootmaker, is mentioned in Sargeant's Directory, 1856.

KING, Michael H., bootmaker, is found in Directory of 1869.

KING, Robert L., marbleworker, 73 Central St., appears in the same.

KING, William, 2 of the name are found in Directory of 1872.

KING, Walter, bootmaker, is found in Directory of 1878.

Of none of these am I competent to speak. But in 1873 comes a conspicuous and permanent res., who has fully reported to me his family record; viz., —

KING, Charles Augustine[3] (Austin J.,[2] George W.[1]), b. at Buskirk's Bridge, Hoosick, Renssellaer Co., N.Y., June 25, 1851, — an only son. His fr., Austin John King, was b. Shaftsbury, Vt., Oct. 4, 1819; and his mr., Eliza

Jane Smith, was only dr. of Charles S. and Elizabeth (Rice) Smith, b. Dec. 12, 1825; cer. Jan. 2, 1842. His gd. parents, George W. King and Mary (Moore) King, had 5 chn., of whom John J. was the eldest. Our Charles Augustine m. *Annie Lovisa Smith*, dr. of James H. and Mary A. (Davis) Smith, b. in No. Hadley, April 4, 1853; cer. No. Hadley, Nov. 10, 1874, by Rev. James M. Bell, now of W. Medway. Issue:—

HARRY SMITH, b. No. Hadley, Aug. 28, 1875; d. Mil., Nov. 4, 1880.

WINNIFRED LOUISA, b. Mil , June 21, 1878.

Mr. King's life-career is eminently illustrative of what an active and persistent temperament will enable its possessor to accomplish under the most adverse circumstances. His parents moved West while he was quite young. His fr. was a locomotive engineer, and d. in 1858. Augustine got but a single yr.'s schooling. He entered Plymouth Indiana Democrat office to learn the printer's trade, Aug. 16, 1863. Thence he transferred himself to Cook & Sons', Bennington, Vt., "Banner" office, Oct. 9, 1865, to complete his trade, where he remained 3 yrs. July 1, 1871, he joined C. M. Bliss as publisher of the Bennington, Vt., "Free Press," but soon sold out to Mr. Bliss. In 1871-72 he became city editor of the N. Y. "Sunday Era," which, a part of the time, published a penny daily edition. In 1873 he came to this town as foreman of "The Journal" office, reporter, and general writer. Meantime, not to be idle, he has written articles for various newspapers, and contributed practical communications to sundry typographical journals. Also published "The Cheerful Guest," an 8-page monthly, in 1880, afterwards selling the same to "The Family Guest" of Hoosick Falls, N.Y. He stands high in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is Noble Grand of our Tisquantum Lodge. All indications show that he discharges important responsibilities in his present position, and that he enjoys the full confidence of his employers. Of his wf., I know only the little which manifested itself at the funeral of their darling Harry, where I ministered as their comforter. But I must be allowed to infer, that, though she occupies the background, she must have largely contributed to the opportunities and facilities which have enabled him to win his successes, — as is the case with most wives in similar situations.

KINGMAN, DAVID, was m., by Rev. Mr. Frost, to *Betsey Smith*, Jan. 29, 1786. I know nothing of their pedigrees or family history.

KINGMAN, JOSEPH, wf. and chn., from West Bridgewater, res. at Hopedale in 1846, or thereabouts. They were eminently intelligent and worthy people, but preferred their native home to our Community arrangements, and returned to W. Bridgewater in 1847.

KINGMAN, A. W., bootmaker, say our directories, res. here in 1869, '72.

KINGSTON, STEPHEN, was m., by Rev. Mr. Frost, to *Catherine Boyce*, April 15, 1762. Otherwise unknown and untraced.

KINNE, NATHAN, pedigree untraced; was m. to *Rosina Bartlett* of Northbridge, by Rev. Hezekiah Thatcher, Nov. 22, 1823. By a former wf., *Clarissa*, he is credited with 2 births; viz., —

CHARLES, b. Sept. 25, 1806; and HARRIET ELIZA, b. Sept. 25, 1815. There are indications of other chn., and that Mr. K. res. some yrs. in town; but I have not ascertained the details.

KINSMAN, SAMUEL, of Mendon, was m. to *Rhoda Partridge*, dr. of Aaron and Abigail (Pond) Partridge, b. June 19, 1809; cer. in Hop., April 19, 1841, by Rev. J. C. Webster. A niece of Mrs. Rhoda gives me quite a different date for their mge. from that of the town records above presented;

viz., March 8, 1845. This throws uncertainty over the case. But as to issue, my lady informant names an only son:—

ETHAN, birth-date not given; m. Etta Moore, date not given. They res. in town, on Camp St., and have 4 chn.

Our records credit Samuel Kinsman, by his former wf., *Elizabeth*, with 1 son; viz., —

DAVID WATSON, b. Oct. 8, 1837.

This is not to me a very satisfactory family record, but the best I had the means of presenting. Mrs. Rhoda survives her hus., and res. on Camp St., near Reservoir.

KNIGHTS. John Knights from Woburn is the first of this name whom I recollect finding on our records. He came here, and m. the wid. Truelove (Corbett) Adams in the yr. 1820. He appears to be a descendant of John Knight, an immigrant from Eng., who first set. in Watertown 1636, afterwards became a proprietor of Sudbury, and finally set. in Woburn. He was made freeman in 1643. He left a large progeny in Woburn; but it would cost me too much to ascertain the links of the lineage that connect our John with that immigrant ancestor. I suppose his name got pluralized by an added *s*, according to the odd fashions of our forefathers in many other cases.

KNIGHTS, JOHN, of Woburn; birth-date, ptge., etc., not given; m. *Mrs. Truelove (Corbett) Adams*, wid. of David Adams, dr. of Ichabod and Olive (Lasall) Corbett, b. Mil., Jan. 22, 1780; cer. July 20, 1820, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Their chn., twin sons, were, —

AUGUSTUS, b. So. Mil., Dec. 24, 1822; m. Sarah Wheelock, Oct. 5, 1851.

CHARLES, b. So. Mil., Dec. 24, 1822; m. Esther C. Warfield, Sept. 3, 1854.

The subsequent history and death-dates of the parents not given me.

KNIGHTS, AUGUSTUS, son of John and Truelove Knights, b. So. Mil., Dec. 24, 1822; m. *Sarah Wheelock*, dr. of Dennis and Lucinda (Staples) Wheelock, b. Mendon, July 18, 1829; cer. Mendon, Oct. 5, 1851, by Rev. George S. Ball of Upton. Their chn.:—

EVA AUGUSTA, b. Mendon, July 20, 1852.

ESTELLA, b. Mendon, April 13, 1854.

HENRY AUGUSTUS, b. Mendon, May 20, 1857.

MARY BARTLETT, b. Mil., May 4, 1864; d. Oct. 29, 1864.

WILLIE WHEELOCK, b. Mil., Oct. 13, 1867.

Mr. Knights formerly res. in Mend., but of late yrs. in Mil.; employed as a bread-pedler. A very exemplary man, with a highly respected family.

KNIGHTS, CHARLES, twin bro. of Augustus, b. Dec. 24, 1822; m. *Esther C. Warfield*, dr. of Elijah and Lydia (Howard) Warfield, b. Nov. 6, 1828; cer. Mil., Sept. 3, 1854, by Rev. George W. Stacy. Their chn.:—

CHARLES EDGAR, b. So. Mil., May 31, 1857.

HATTIE M., b. So. Mil., April 20, 1860.

WILLIAM E., b. So. Mil., July 9, 1865.

Industrious, orderly, reputable family; res. on Mellen St., near Warfield, on the ancient site once occupied by Benjamin Albee, jun., gt. gt. gd. fr. of our present Stephen Albee. Mr. Knights is a farmer and boot-crimper, and death has never yet entered his household.

KNIGHT, GRINFILL B., provisionist, 138 Main St., son of Ebenezer and Hannah (Pinkham) Knight of Strong, Me.; birth-date not given; ancestry not given; m. *Maria Sumner*, dr. of Jabez and Rebecca Sumner, South Dedham, now Norwood; birth-date not given; cer. at Norwood, April 8, 1850, by Rev. C. H. Webster. Their chn.:—

ADELAIDE MARIA, b. June 12, 1854.
FAUSTINA MARY, b. Nov. 27, 1857.
MARY EDNA, b. Oct. 28, 1861.
BERTHA, b. Feb. 7, 1865; d. April 19, 1870.

Enterprising and reputable people.

KNIGHT, WILLIAM, Supt. of Transportation at Hopedale; son of Jesse and Annie (Dean) Knight; b. Killingly, Ct., June 17, 1812; ancestry not given; m. *Minerva Wheaton Thwing*, dr. of Benjamin and Anna (Mowry) Thwing, b. Uxbridge, Oct. 17, 1818; cer. in Ux., Oct. 22, 1839, by Rev. Samuel Clarke. Their chn.: —

GEORGE W., b. Ux., Feb. 20, 1841; m. Angie A. Chase, June 16, 1868.
WALTER EDWARD, b. Ux., March 26, 1844; m. Alice E. Stimpson, Nov. 22, 1870.
ELLA G., b. Ux., Aug. 4, 1849; m. Eugene W. Darling, Sept. 20, 1870.
FRANK A., b. Ux., April 9, 1855; d. Jan. 2, 1857.

William Knight and his family deservedly occupy a plane of high respect for intelligence, usefulness, and solid moral worth. He himself was pre-eminent for good sense, sound judgment, and an exemplary Christian character. He d. Nov. 6, 1881, in his 70th yr., beloved, venerated, and eulogized by all who knew him.

KNIGHT, GEORGE E., b. as above, Feb. 20, 1841; m. *Angie A. Chase*, dr. of Horatio C. and Mary M. (Brown) Chase, b. May 30, 1848; cer. in Ux., June 16, 1868, by Rev. Rushton D. Burr. Their chn.: —

DORA G., b. Hopedale, Sept. 16, 1870.
WILLIAM H., b. Hopedale, June 14, 1877.

Mr. Knight is an eminently efficient and trusted travelling agent of George Draper & Sons.

KNIGHT, WALTER EDWARD, b. as above, March 26, 1844; m. *Alice Elizabeth Stimpson*, dr. of William and Jane (Davis) Stimpson, b. Hopedale, Feb. 25, 1851; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 22, 1870, by the writer. One child, —

JENNIE MINERVA, b. March 18, 1880.

He has responsible trusts under the Hopedale Machine Co., and is superintendent of Hopedale Sunday school.

KNIGHT, ARNOLD, and wf. *Eleanor*, are credited on our records with the birth of 3 chn.; viz., —

MARIA FISK, b. Feb. 9, 1834.
MALVINA MANCHESTER, b. April 17, 1836.
HARRIET SHELDON, b. Nov. 7, 1838.

Whence this family came or went, I get no intimation.

KRUM, SYLVESTER P., son of Martin and Margaret (Tipple) Krum, b. Ghent, Columbia Co., N.Y., Dec. 12, 1824; by occupation an engineer; m. *Ellen M. Whitmore*, dr. of James H. and Martha E. (Stowe) Whitmore, b. Fram., Oct. 26, 1836; cer. in Mil., June 16, 1859, by Rev. Levi A. Abbott. Issue: —

HARRY G., b. Mil., July 6, 1864.
OTIS W., b. Mil., Feb. 9, 1867.
CARLTON S., b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1872; d. Jan. 9, 1874.

A worthy family, of good social standing in all the circles of life which have enjoyed their activities. Mrs. Krum rendered herself a sympathetic consoler in many a house of mourning by her sweet singing on funeral occasions, and d. deeply lamented by a wide circle of appreciators. She departed to the higher life Feb. 23, 1879, leaving a fragrant memory to her sadly bereaved family and friends. Mr. Krum has been a respected citizen of our town between 20 30 yrs.

LACKEY, Matthew, and wf. *Rebecca*, appear on Rev. Mr. Frost's baptismal records credited with one christened child; viz., —

Nathan, bap. Sept. 27, 1747.

No more told, or by me known.

LACKEY, George Spartan, ancestry not traced; son of Samuel and Susan (Ruggles) Lackey, b. in Upton, Aug. 24, 1813; bootmaker; m. *Paulina Ann Fisk*, dr. of Jonathan and Gracia (Wilson) Fisk, b. in Up., July 18, 1823; cer. in Mendon, June 5, 1839, by the writer. Their chn.: —

Calvin Alonzo, b. Mil., Dec. 14, 1841; m. Sarah Jane Reed, April 2, 1864.

Calista Anna, b. Franklin, Aug. 12, 1843; m. Alvin Cushman Sturtevant, Jan. 10, 1868.

Susan Louisa, b. Medway, Aug. 15, 1845; m. John Wallace Sanger, Dec. 31, 1865.

Marion Celilia, b. Medway, Aug. 10, 1847; m. Henry Sanger, Dec. 7, 1864.

If my marriage benediction is worth much, this ought to be a happy family; for I solemnized all their marriages, parents and chn. Anywise, I shall flatter myself that none of them are the worse for it. The parents have resided in Med., Franklin, Bell., and, for many yrs. past, in (No. Purchase) Mil. They are hard-working, honest, well-disposed people.

Grandchn.: —

Nellie May Sanger, b. April 3, 1865; d. Dec. 25, 1865.

George Henry Sanger, b. May 27, 1866.

Alena May Sanger, b. Sept. 11, 1868.

Calvin O. Sanger, b. Aug. 3, 1870.

Bertha Carrie Sanger, b. Jan. 28, 1878.

Alton Sanger, b. April 25, 1869.

Willie Leon Sturtevant, b. June 27, 1868.

Frankie Berton Sturtevant, b. June 3, 1870.

The Sangers are not clearly distinguished in the grandfr.'s return, as to whether they belong to John Wallace or Henry Sanger; yet I understand all but the last named to be the chn. of John Wallace and Susan L. Sanger.

LACKEY, Benjamin T., bootmaker, house 121 E. Main St. In Directory, but family record not procured.

LATHOME, Eunice, from the First ch., Killingly, Ct., was received into Rev. Mr. Frost's ch., June 15, 1746; and was m. to Joseph Fisk, July 30, 1772, by Rev. A. Frost. No more found.

LATHOM, Robert, dwelt on now Highland St. when originally laid out by Mendon selectmen, in 1749. Nothing more found.

LAWRENCE, Joseph[3] (David, jun.,[2] David, sen.[1]), b. Franklin, March 26, 1757; m. *Anna Hills*, Jan. 22, 1784. They had several chn. in Franklin or elsewhere, but I have no knowledge of their names, birth-dates, or subsequent history.

They came into Mil. perhaps between 1810 and 1820, — the date is merely conjectural. They gained no inhabitancy here. The hus. either came here poor or soon became so, and was assisted for several yrs. more or less by the town of Franklin; but his wf. was an energetic woman, and prolific in expedients for getting a living. She was long a wet nurse, retaining her pectoral fountain of nutriment for infants many yrs. beyond the period of natural exhaustion. Moreover, she was renowned, I know not how widely, as a fortune-teller, by palmistry and cup-divination; thus, from many a lass and lad, anxious to learn their marriage destiny, she gathered in a small revenue. She came near, with

some, achieving the reputation of being a witch; albeit she was a very harmless and genial one. She was a stout, smart wid. in 1824, when I came into town, and dwelt in the old Sumner house, that stood in the southerly corner at the junction of now Greene and Elm Sts. I am told she d. in Franklin some 30 yrs. ago.

LAWRENCE, CEPHAS[4] (Cephas,[3] David,[2] David[1]), ancestry no further traced; b. prob. in Franklin, 1798; mr.'s maiden name, Esther Whiting; m. *Betsey Sumner*, dr. of Joseph and Ruth (Legg) Sumner, b. Mil., March 7, 1799; cer. Brookfield, May 24, 1820, by Hon. Dwight Foster. Their chn.: —

OTIS SUMNER, b. Aug. 15, 1820; no subsequent information.

ESTHER, b. May 14, 1822.

AMANDA MELVINA, b., not found, 1825; d. Oct. 9, 1826, a. about 1 yr.

LAURA ANN, b. Aug. 4, 1827; d. March 20, 1854.

WARREN, b. March 27, 1830; m. Julia A. Mason, June 23, 1852.

ADELIA, b. Feb. 3, 1832; m. Henry Clinton Skinner, June 28, 1848.

SYLVANUS SUMNER, b. Nov. 23, 1833; d. Oct. 28, 1856, a. 23 yrs.

MARY DUNHAM, b. not found; d. April 30, 1839.

WILLARD CEPHAS, b. April 8, 1841; d. Dec. 15, 1862, a. 22 yrs. 8 mos. and 7 days.

Mr. Lawrence did not res. continuously in Mil., but for short periods in the neighboring towns. He was an enterprising, driving, business man, mainly in the boot manufacture, but also in whatever other calling circumstances required him to engage under shifting fortune. He met with serious reverses in his pecuniary affairs, but struggled on with all his energies to the last, helpfully sustained by his faithful wf. In the meridian of his prosperity Mr. L. purchased the land which constitutes the site of the Irish-American settlement on the south side of West St., sometimes called Lawrenceville, *alias* New Ireland, *alias* Whistly Beer.

There he commenced, between 1844 and 1850, erecting small, cheap dwelling-houses, which he sold readily to incoming Irish families. Thus he founded that populous suburb of our Town Centre. Mr. L. d. in Franklin, March 4, 1872, in the 74th yr. of his age. Mrs. Betsey, his wid., d. in the kind care of her dr., Adelia Skinner, and hus., in this town, Dec. 6, 1880, in her 82d yr.

LAWRENCE, WARREN[5] (Cephas,[4] Cephas,[3] David,[2] David[1]), b. Brookfield, March 27, 1830; mr.'s maiden name, Betsey Sumner; m. *Julia Ann Mason*, dr. of John and Sally (Wheeler) Mason, b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1829; cer. June 23, 1852, by the writer. Issue: —

EURANIA AUGUSTA, b. Mil., Feb. 4, 1853.

Mr. Lawrence is an enterprising boot-manufacturer; formerly res. in Mil., but laterly in Elmira, N.Y., and has a worthy family.

LAWRENCE, WILLIAM, gunsmith; appears in directories of 1856, '69.

LAWRENCE, JOHN P., millman; appears in directories of 1872, '75, '78, '80.

LEEDS, SAMUEL, pedigree untraced; b. in Dorchester, May 11, 1796; m. *Mary Warren Mellen*, dr. of William Mellen, and gd. dr. of Col. James Mellen, b. in Pittsfield, Sept. 2, 1800; cer. Nov. 12, 1823. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL PENNIMAN, b. Nov. 15, 1824; clergyman, D.D.; m. Julia Lockwood, Oct. 3, 1849; no chn.

MARY LUCRETIA, b. Aug. 16, 1826; d. March 8, 1828.

DANIEL WEBSTER, b. Feb. 29, 1828; m. Maria C. Wheelock, April 3, 1850; 7 chn.

WILLIAM MELLEN, b. Nov. 12, 1829; m. Catherine G. Lockwood, Jan. 9, 1856; no chn.

Robert, b. Nov. 26, 1831; d. Dec. 25, 1838.

Charles Henry, b. Jan. 9, 1834; m. Sarah P. Lambert, Dec. 21, 1865; 6 chn.

Lovett Russell, b. Nov. 1, 1835; d. Sept. 14, 1860.

James Mellen, b. Feb. 17, 1838; d. Jan. 28, 1873.

Mary Ingersoll, b. Jan. 9, 1840; m. William H. Van Kleek, May 25, 1859; 7 chn.

Robert, b. Oct. 28, 1842; m. Rebecca B. Dwight, May 19, 1864; 6 chn.

Mr. Leeds was an intelligent, enterprising man, who succeeded Maj. Samuel Penniman in the straw goods and other trade at So. Milford in 1817, as co-partner with one or more of Penniman's sons. He was appointed post-master there in 1818, and was an influential citizen for a few yrs., till he removed to New York. There most, if not all, of his chn. were b. He d. there, Sept. 22, 1868. Mrs. Mary, his worthy wid., d. there, Jan. 31, 1878. Their surviving chn. occupy highly respectable positions in society.

LEGG, William, supposed to be a relative of John Legg of Mendon (perhaps a younger bro. or nephew); birth-date not found; m., 1st, *Hannah Nelson*, dr. of Gershom and Abigail (Ellithorpe) Nelson, b. in Rowley, Oct. 14, 1714; date and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Issue: —

Gershom, b. Feb. 21, 1736; m. Mary Underwood, Dec. 1, 1757.

Ruth, b. Feb. 30, 1739; m. Eleazer Wight, Dec. 3, 1761.

Mary, b. Oct. 6, 1742; m. Noah Keith, jun., Ux., June 13, 1771.

Levi, b. Nov. 7, 1744; m., 1st, Mary Beal, 1767; 2d, Keziah Ballard, 1795, etc.

Nathaniel, b. not found; m. Abigail White, Nov. 21, 1771.

David, b. not found; m. Hannah Dewing, March 11, 1779.

William, b. not found; m. Hephzibah Corbett, June 4, 1777.

All these chn. were bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Sept. 25, 1755; their mr., Mrs. Hannah, having d. July 3 of the same yr. The fr. m., 2d, *Elizabeth Tenney*, dr. of Thomas and Sarah (Taft) Tenney; cer. Jan. 18, 1759, by Rev. A. Frost. No more chn. William Legg is understood to have set. on now Silver-hill St., or near by, where his descendants after him dwelt for two or three generations. But I do not seem to find his death-date. It is possible he may have d. with one of his chn. out of town.

LEGG, Abigail, ptge. not indicated; was m. to Ezekiel Bates of Bell.; cer. April 9, 1767, by Rev. A. Frost. What her relationship was to William, I can merely conjecture.

LEGG, Gershom, eldest son of William, m. *Mary Underwood;* pedigree not ascertained; cer. Dec. 1, 1757, by Rev. A. Frost. I think they had several chn. credited to them on Mendon records; but I omitted to copy their names, and got no intimation as to their subsequent history.

LEGG, Levi, the next eldest son, dwelt mostly in Up. He m. *Mary Beal;* pedigree untraced; cer. Dec. 3, 1767. Issue: —

Ruth, b. Up., Sept. 27, 1768; m. Joseph Sumner of Mil., Aug. 21, 1788.

Mary, Eunice, and perhaps others, of whom I hear traditionally. Upton records mention a mge. of Levi Legg to Mrs. Lucy Knowlton, April 8, 1813. If this was our Levi, as some say, he must have been about 79 yrs. old at the date of this mge. I am obliged to leave Levi Legg's family record much more obscure than I could wish.

LEGG, Nathaniel, the next oldest son of William and Hannah (Nelson) Legg; birth-date not found; spent most of his days on the paternal domain,

near now Silver-hill St. He m. *Abigail White*, prob. dr. of William and Elizabeth (Harper) White, b. Mendon, Dec. 28, 1751; cer. Nov. 21, 1771, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

NAHUM, b. Mil., Sept. 15, 1780; m. Anna Chapin, Oct. 21, 1802.

ELIJAH, b. Mil., 1785; m., 1st, Lydia Warren, May 28, 1811; 2d, Rachel Cleveland.

LYDIA, b. Mil., not found; m. Nathan Taft, Feb. 25, 1802.

CHARLOTTE, b. Mil., 1778; d. unm., Jan. 7, 1835, a. 57 yrs.

It would seem that the two drs., above named, must have been b. before the 2 sons; but I have got them down as if younger, and will not pause to amend the chronological order. The fact is, I tried in vain to find the birth-dates of Elijah, Lydia, and Charlotte, and had to compute from their death-dates, etc.

Nathaniel Legg, the fr., d. Jan. 15, 1827, a. 80 yrs. This would make his birth-date to have been about 1747. Mrs. Abigail, his wid., d. July 8, 1830.

LEGG, WILLIAM and DAVID, the two younger sons of William and Hannah, emigrated to Orange, and, I suppose, d. there.

LEGG, Nahum, son of Nathaniel and Abigail (White) Legg, b. Mil., Sept. 15, 1780; m. *Anna Chapin*, youngest dr. of Moses and Lydia (Atwood) Chapin; birth-date not ascertained; cer. Mil., Oct. 21, 1802, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

WILLIAM, b. June 20, 1810; d. Aug. 6 same yr.

JULIA, b. July 5, 1814; unm.; living a life full of useful ministries.

ANN MARIA, b. May 20, 1816; m. Otis Thayer, May 22, 1838.

HARRIETTE, b. April 26, 1818; m. William R. Thayer, Oct. 29, 1840; res. Holl.

ELIZA, b. July 31, 1819; m. Isaac S. Claflin, and d. Feb. 23, 1851, leaving 3 chn.

An intelligent and worthy family. Mr. L., the fr., d. July 5, 1838. Mrs. Anna d. March 25, 1858.

LEGG, ELIJAH, son of Nathaniel and Abigail (White) Legg, b. 1785; m., 1st, *Lydia Warren*, May 28, 1811. Issue:—

WILLIAM WARREN, b. Oct. 2, 1811; d. Jan. 10, 1844.

SOPHIA } (twins), b. July 13, 1813; m. Alexander Thayer Temple, Sept. 29, 1841.
SYLVIA }

SYLVIA b. July 13, 1813; not traced.

Mrs. Lydia d. Dec. 6, 1813, a. 26 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, *Rachel Cleveland* of Dover; cer. Oct., 1815. Issue:—

WILLIS, b. Sept. 19, 1816.

MARTHA JOHNSON, b. Feb. 26, 1818.

MARY THAYER, b. Oct. 14, 1819.

The fr. d. Sept. 21, 1819, a. 34 yrs. Mrs. Rachel d. March 21, 1856, a. 70 yrs. No other particulars of this family ascertained.

LELAND, AMASA[6] (Abner,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry,[1] the English immigrant ancestor), b. in Holl., 1776; mr.'s maiden name, Hannah Thayer; res. over 30 yrs. with his fr. in Holl., then for a time in Southborough, and from 1817 downward, the remainder of his life, in Mil. He m. *Beckey Adams*, dr. of Abner and Ruth (Wood) Adams, b. in Mil., Feb. 1, 1783; place, date, and particulars of cer. not given. Their chn.:—

ALLETHIRA, b. prob. Holl., 1804; m. Joseph Carroll, jun., Dec. 2, 1831; d.

ZOBEIDE, b. prob. Holl., 1805; d. Mil., March 8, 1836, a. 30 yrs.

ADAMS, b. prob. Holl., 1807; d. 1809 in Southborough.

Lewis, b. Southborough, 1808; d. date not found.

Lois, b. Southborough, 1810; d. 1812.

Adams, b. Southborough, 1812; d. Mil., Jan. 10, 1838, a. 25 yrs.

Warren, b. Southborough, 1815; d. Mil., Jan. 12, 1838, a. 23 yrs.

Charles, b. Southborough, Oct. 17, 1816; m. Sarah Arvilla Cutter, Sept. 26, 1843.

Abner Adams, b. Mil., Nov. 27, 1819; m. Phebe A. Coggshall, Mendon, May, 1844.

Hollis, b. Mil., Dec. 23, 1821; d. 1848.

Hannah Thayer, b. Mil., Feb. 15, 1825; m. Jairus W. Smith, Nov. 7, 1844.

Mr. Leland, the fr., came from Southborough, bought the ancient Gage farm on now Highland St. of David Gage in 1816, took possession in 1817, and spent the remainder of his days there. He was a thrifty farmer, good citizen, held various town-offices, and a respected man in society. As above seen, he was sorely bereaved of his chn., and few of them survive. He had a worthy wf. and family. He d. April 19, 1838. Mrs. Beckey (or Rebecca, as it ought to have been written and recorded) d. 1864.

LELAND, Charles[7] (Amasa,[6] Abner,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. Southboro', Oct. 17, 1816; mr.'s maiden name Beckey *alias* Rebecca Adams; m. *Sarah Arvilla Cutter* of Ashburnham, dr. of Nathaniel and Abigail (Taylor) Cutter; cer. Ashburnham, Sept. 26, 1843, by Rev. Mr. Stone. Their chn.:—

Emma Arvilla, b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1844; d. Sept. 25, 1848.

Henry Waldo, b. Mil., July 17, 1850; m. Cora Frances White, Jan. 1, 1876.

Flora Rebecca, b. Mil., June 16, 1853; d. Feb. 21, 1854.

Charles Sumner, b. Mil., Feb. 15, 1862; d. May 30, 1863.

Mr. L. dwells on his homestead, Highland St., near Laurel, is a diligent farmer, and an active citizen in promoting town interests. He has been assessor, overseer of the poor, constable, and held other minor offices. Family in good standing.

LELAND, Abner Adams[7] (Amasa,[6] Abner,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. Mil., Nov. 27, 1819; m. *Phebe A. Coggshall* of Mendon, ptge. and birth-date not given; cer. in May, 1844. Issue:—

Roanca M., b. July 20, 1846; m. Thomas Brown, Jan. 1, 1867.

Laurie A., b. April 13, 1849; m. John Reynolds, June 28, 1870.

Althina C., b. Feb. 5, 1854; m. George Whiting, May, 1878.

Etta A., b. Oct. 16, 1857; m. Charles F. Wilkinson, Dec. 24, 1879.

Mr. Leland with his wf. had charge of our Asylum, as supt. and matron, in 1848, and perhaps till 1850 or 1851. At length he left town, and res. in Douglas for some yrs. Thence he went to the great war for suppression of the Rebellion. There, in the intrenchments before Petersburg, he experienced a strange and instantaneous exit from mortal life; not in battle, but while sitting, as he supposed, in safety, within the protective works, writing a letter to his family. There a glancing bullet from some distant sharp-shooter struck him in the head, causing immediate death. This occurred June 23, 1865. His worthy wid. survives, in feeble health, and res. in town, solaced by her 4 m. drs. above named.

LELAND, Henry Waldo[8] (Charles,[7] Amasa,[6] Abner,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. in Mil., July 17, 1850; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Arvilla Cutter; m. *Cora Frances White*, dr. of Thomas S. and Sarah Ann (Heaton) White; cer. Upton, Jan. 1, 1876, by Rev. George S. Ball. Issue:—

Charles Spencer, b. in Mil., Oct. 15, 1876.

EVIE MAY, b. in Mil., April 19, 1880; d. same day.

Mr. L. has always dwelt in Mil., is a carpenter and farmer, res. with or near his fr. on Highland St., and starts in life on a family line of reputable promise.

LELAND, CHARLES[6] (Oliver,[5] William,[4] William,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. Holl., 1792; mr.'s maiden name Abigail Perry; m. *Charlotte F. Godfrey*, dr. of Col. Benjamin and Bethiah (Gibbs) Godfrey, b. Mil., June 23, 1798; cer. Mil., Nov. 27, 1823, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

CHARLES, b. Philadelphia, Penn., 1826.

HENRY, b. Philadelphia, Penn., 1828.

MARY, b. Philadelphia, Penn., 1833.

CHARLOTTE, b. Philadelphia, Penn., 1835.

Mr. Leland was first a physician, and then became an eminent merchant in Philadelphia. As to the birth-dates of himself and the above-named 4 chn., I have copied verbatim from the published "Genealogy of the Lelands," by Sherman Leland, which comes down to 1850. Of the births, mges., deaths, etc., of the family since that date, I have not been informed.

LELAND, LEMUEL[6] (Daniel,[5] Daniel,[4] Hopestill,[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. Holl., Sept. 9, 1808; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Jones; m. *Susannah H. Hero*, dr. of John and Polly (Claflin) Hero, b. Feb. 3, 1811; cer. Mil., Dec. 22, 1828, by the writer. Issue:—

SARAH M., b. Mil., 1829; m. Clark Ellis, jun., Jan., 1851.

PERRY, b. Hop., 1831; m. Mary S. Tyler, Dec., 1859.

NEWELL E., b. Holl., 1834; d. Holl., 1836.

HORACE, b. Holl., 1836; d. Mil., 1871.

CARRIE S., b. Mil., 1849; public-school teacher.

Grandchn.:—

Fred Ellis, son of Sarah M. (Leland) Ellis, b. Mil., 1855.

Addie Leland, dr. of Perry Leland, b. Mil., 1860.

Vera Leland, dr. of Perry Leland, b. Mil., 1863.

Mr. L., the hus. and fr., d. Mil., Dec. 23, 1855. Sarah M. Ellis, his dr., d. 1861. Mrs. Susan survives in active vigor. A worthy and reputable family throughout.

LELAND, FRANCIS, M.D.[7] (Joseph P.,[6] Aaron,[5] Daniel,[4] Hopestill, jun.,[3] Hopestill, sen.,[2] Henry[1]), b. Sherborn, Dec. 26, 1818; mr.'s maiden name Tryphena Richardson; never married; remained with his parents till 17 yrs. of age; prepared for college under the instruction of Rev. Amos Clark, minister of Sherborn; entered Brown University in 1834; graduated A. B., 1838; studied for his profession in the Med. School of Harvard U., and received his degree of M. D., 1842; practised successfully in Mil. as physician and surgeon till the outbreak of the Rebellion; enlisted patriotically as surgeon in the 2d Regt. Mass. Vols., Oct. 11, 1861, for 3 yrs.; taken prisoner during Banks's retreat, June, 1862; was wounded over left eye in battle of Cedar Mountain, Aug. 9, 1862; was at Antietam in service the following Sept.; was soon after taken seriously sick, and resigned. He was honorably discharged, Oct. 24, 1862. He never regained his health, gradually declined, and finally d. in Sherborn, date not ascertained.

Dr. Leland was a man of very modest pretensions, but of great merit. He was an accomplished scholar, a master of his profession, a fine gentleman, and a generous friend. I knew him only partially; but the uniform testimony of those intimately acquainted with him is one of profound respect and appreciative regard.

LELAND, BELLARMINE[7] (Bellarmine,[6] Simeon,[5] Simon,[4] William.[3] Hopestill,[2] Henry[1]), b. in New York, Sept. 9, 1822; mr.'s maiden name Harriot Hill; m. *Caroline Warren* of Pawtucket, R.I.; cer. Nov. 25, 1852, by the bride's uncle, Rev. David Benedict. No chn.

Mr. L. was fatally afflicted in youth by white swelling on one of his legs, which resulted in its amputation, Aug. 11, 1840. He was then temporarily res. in the edge of Bell., near White's Bridge. When sufficiently recovered, he betook himself to boot-making, and has industriously followed that calling ever since. He came to Mil. previous to the loss of his leg, Feb. 8, 1838, and has paid taxes here 40 yrs. He is a quiet, orderly, worthy citizen; and, I presume, has a wf. to match in good qualities.

LESURE, SIMEON, ptge., etc , not ascertained; seems to be the only one of this name who gained an inhabitancy here and raised up a family. His wf.'s Christian name was *Miriam;* but I have not made search for her ptge. or mge. record. Their chn.:—

CYNTHIA, b. here, Nov. 5, 1780; m. Daniel Corbett, Feb. 1, 1802.

POLLY, b. here, Feb. 6, 1783; the unm. mr. of Hiram, b. 1799, and Lydia, b. 1803.

STEPHEN, b. here, July 9, 1784; no further traced.

OTIS, b. here, July 20, 1785; d. Aug. 3, 1798.

LUCY, b. here, Jan. 30, 1788; no further traced.

BETSEY, b. here, May 22, 1790; no further traced.

AMORY, b. here, Aug. 20, 1792; d. Feb. 6, 1793.

NANCY, b. here, Nov. 2, 1794; d. Sept. 7, 1798.

DULCENA, b. here, Jan. 26, 1797; no further traced.

SALLY, b. here, March 6, 1799; no further traced.

CLARISSA, b. here, Dec. 31, 1802; d. April 30, 1803.

HOPESTILL, b. here, June 4, 1804; no further traced.

SIMEON, b. here, Aug. 8, 1806; no further traced.

The fr. d. some little time before Simeon was b.; i.e., Aug. 24, 1806. The mr.'s death-date not found. I get no clear indication where they dwelt, but suspect it may have been in the north-westerly section of the town.

LESURE, JOHN, and wf. *Sarah*, once dwelt in town; but I learn nothing of their origin or family, further than that she d. Sept. 7, 1798, and he, Jan. 22, 1812. Doubtless other Lesures have transiently res. here.

LEWERS, JOSEPH, some yrs. res. at Hopedale; son of William and Margaret (Thompson) Lewers; b. Shipton, Lower Canada, Feb. 3, 1803; m., 1st, *Margaret Conway*, b. Eng., about 1805 or 1806, dr. of Henry and Nancy (Flack) Conway; cer. Sept. 12, 1812, by Rev. Mr. Hall. Their chn.:—

GEORGE W., b. Canada, Aug. 26, 1827; m. Harriet L. Blake, Mil., March 27, 1856; he d. June 5, 1864.

WILLIAM ROBERT, b. Canada, April 19, 1829; m. Nancy Whipple, Hopedale, April 3, 1856; he d. July 10, 1865.

JAMES, b. Canada, June, 1832; d. Nov. 6, 1846, a. 14 yrs.

ELIZA JANE, d. young, a. 13 mos.

Mrs. Margaret d. March 4, 1844. The hus. m., 2d, *Phebe Styles*, Guildhall, Vt.; cer. Sept. 10, 1846, in Salem, Vt., by Samuel Cheney, Esq. Their chn.:—

MARY, b. Dec. 18, 1847; m. Allen Crouch, May 11, 1866; res. Ledyard, Ct.; 3 chn.

CHARLES, b. Aug. 15, 1849; m. Lucy Crouch, date not given; res. Ledyard, Ct.; 1 child.

Honest, kind-hearted family; came to Hopedale March 9, 1863.

LEWIS, Mrs. SARAH, some yrs. one of our town's poor. She was a widow; but who her husband was, I am uninformed. I have an impression of being told that he once dwelt on the long-abandoned home-site of the "Cobb orchard place," but am not sure. In 1817 it appears that the selectmen paid Thomas Thomas a certain sum for keeping Mrs. Lewis; and in his receipt for money paid him he calls her "my mother." But this does not much enlighten me as to her pedigree. I must leave it in obscurity. She d. here, Nov. 24, 1824, a. 90 yrs.

LEWIS, WILLIAM H., teamster, is named in Directory, 1856; d. some yrs. ago.

LEWIS, LYDIA, wid. of William H., still survives down to 1881.

LEWIS, SIMON and JACOB, brothers, in the clothing business, in Directories for 1869, '72.

LEWIS, CHARLES A., a son of William H., as I suppose, is a steady resident in town.

Other Lewises, residents for longer or shorter periods, omitted.

LILLIE, HENRY, ptge. and ancestry untraced; b. Dorchester, Feb. 14, 1803; m., 1st, *Sybil Broad*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; he being of Holl., and she of Mil.; cer. in Mil. at the residence of Ephraim Parkhurst, whose wf. was the bride's sister, April 4, 1827, by the writer. Their chn.:—

SYBIL ANN, b. Jan. 21, 1830; m. Charles R. Rollins; res. in Minnesota.

HENRY, Jun., b. June 13, 1833; has a family, and now res. in California.

Mrs. Sybil d., date not ascertained; and the hus. m., 2d, *Caroline Hayden*, b. in Hop., July 23, 1804; date and particulars of cer. not found. Their chn:—

SARAH PARKMAN, b. Bell., July 19, 1839; now public-school teacher, San Francisco, Cal.

LUCY BALLOU, b. Hopedale, Oct. 28, 1841; m., and set. in or near San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. L. was by occupation a carpenter, millwright, and miller; a very industrious, frugal, and upright man. He and his wf. were among the original members of the Hopedale Community, and the very first family that moved into the "Old House" after the Jones farm was purchased for the Community. They set. there, and took charge of the estate in the autumn of 1841; and their youngest dr., above named, was the first child b. to the institution on their domain. He d. at Hopedale, Dec. 9, 1863; and the writer settled his est. Subsequently his family sold out their homestead on Freedom St., near the upper machine-shop, and emigrated to California, excepting the eldest dr., Mrs. Rollins, and hus., who were well set. in Minnesota. Henry, jun., had been set. in Minn., but came east, and arranged for the removal of his mother and two younger sisters to the Pacific coast. Mrs. L., the wid., and her two drs., res. in San Francisco; and Henry owns a ranche in the southern section of Cal. At last advices all of them were prospering.

LILLEY, JOHN NYE, son of Jonathan and Julia Ann (Lamb) Lilley, b. Barre, Aug. 8, 1818; m. *Eliza A. Maynard*, dr. of James and Sophia (Fosgate) Maynard of Northboro'; cer. in Northboro', May 25, 1842, by Rev. Dr. Joseph Allen. No chn.

Mr. Lilley's gd. parents on the fr.'s side lived and d. in Barre. His gd. parents on the mr.'s side, David and Judith (Fitts) Lamb, were b., lived, married, and d. in Oxford. Mr. L. and wf. sustain a respectable character in society for substantial moral, social, and business worth. They have res. in town 33

yrs. He is a competent harness-maker, in good repute, at Church Block, and his home is on Main St. The town has honored him with two terms of service on the board of overseers of the poor, and his citizenship is highly commendable.

We have two others of this name, b. in Eng., but res. in town several yrs. They are brothers, needle manufacturers for sewing machines, operating in company at 64 Central St, — intelligent men and skilful mechanics; viz., —

LILLEY, HENRY H., house Forest St.

LILLEY, THOMAS, house Leonard, near So. Main.

No family records received from either.

LITTLEFIELD. We have had a few families of this name in town. Whether all who have dwelt here have the same immigrant ancestor, I am unable to say. It is at least doubtful. They are of English descent; and there is a tradition among them — how well founded, I know not — that their name was first given to a deserted child found in a small field. His parentage being unknown by the finders, they gave him the name Littlefield, which has been borne by all his male descendants. Isaac Littlefield from Holl. was probably the first of this name on our soil. He came here perhaps about the time of our incorporation in 1780; certainly not long before or afterwards. He was a son of Ephraim, who was b. Nov. 21, 1712, and m. Sarah Bullard, May 3, 1735. He was the son of Ebenezer, and gd. son of John, who set. first in Dedham as early as 1650. He finally set. in Wrentham, and thence his progeny scattered into the neighboring towns. I cannot go behind him, and will reckon him an immigrant ancestor.

LITTLEFIELD, ISAAC[5] (Ephraim,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Ebenezer,[2] John[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Elizabeth Lovering*, Dec. 16, 1773. Their chn.: —

MINDWELL, b. Jan. 25, 1774; m. Ebenezer Merrifield, Leicester, Vt., Nov. 3, 1802.

PRUDENCE, b. March 16, 1776.

EPHRAIM, b. Oct. 17, 1781; m. Rhoda Partridge, Bell., May 19, 1805.

JOSEPH, b. April 25, 1787.

MOSES, b. Sept. 14, 1789; m. Mercy Nelson, April 12, 1818.

BETSEY, b. June 3, 1792; m. Artemas Cheney, Holl., Sept. 15, 1808.

Mr. Littlefield dwelt on the place subsequently owned by Zebadiah Flagg. I have not ascertained precisely when it passed into Flagg's possession, — whether a little before or after Littlefield's death. Mr. Littlefield d. suddenly, July 19, 1821, a. 70 yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth d. with like suddenness, Sept. 2, the same yr. The further history of the family left untraced.

LITTLEFIELD, EBENEZER[6] (Levi,[5] Simeon,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Ebenezer,[2] John[1]), b. Chester, Vt., May 14, 1806; mr.'s maiden name, Jemima Bragg; m. *Susannah M. Morse*, dr. of Joseph and Rhoda (Bragg) Morse; cer. in Brookfield, Vt., Sept. 2, 1832, by Rev. David Wild. Their chn.: —

ANN MORSE, b. July 8, 1833; d. Dec. 29, 1842.

WILBUR FISHER, b. Feb. 25, 1842; m. Josephine R. Mathewson, March 10, 1861.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 10, 1843.

HENRY HEMSTEAD, b. Nov. 20, 1846; m. Ida Russell Seagrave, Nov. 22, 1871.

Mr. Littlefield has res. in town over 44 yrs. He came hither from Chester, Vt. He was an industrious mechanic, an orderly citizen, a devoted Methodist Christian, one of the early founders of our present Methodist ch., and always an exemplary member of the same; and I doubt not his wf. and family are of like worthy character. He d. Nov. 3, 1880, and received due funeral honors.

LITTLEFIELD, Joseph Warren[6] (Levi,[5] Simeon,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Ebenezer,[2] John[1]), b. Chester, Vt., May 31, 1811; bro. of the preceding; kit manufacturer; m. *Mary Wheeler Scammell*, dr. of Samuel L. and Emily (Stearns) Scammell, b. Bell., Dec. 4, 1812; cer. Mil., June 6, 1841, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

Lincoln Scammell, b. Mil., June 31, 1842; d. May 19, 1843, a. 10 mos. 20 days.

Dana Judson, b. Mil., April 7, 1844; d. July 9, 1844, a. 3 mos. 2 days.

Emily Stearns, b. Mil., Nov. 11, 1845; res. 18 Jefferson St.

Mr. Littlefield came into town from Chester, Vt., about 46 yrs. ago. He is a skilful manufacturer of boot and shoe kits, an orderly citizen, and was at one time a deacon in our Cong. ch. He and his family have had their share of life's adversities, and only the fr. and dr. now survive. Mrs. Mary d. July 12, 1878, a. 65 yrs. 6 mos. and 19 days.

LITTLEFIELD, Abel, son of David of Hop., ancestry not traced, birth-date not ascertained; m. *Mary E. Fletcher*, dr. of Nathan and Catharine (Morse) Fletcher, birth-date not found; cer. in Mil., Aug. 23, 1841, by Rev. William Tozer. Issue: —

Albert, b. Aug. 23, 1842.

John, b. Nov. 23, 1844; d. April 4, 1845.

The hus. and fr. d. some yrs. since at his home in No. Purchase. Mrs. Mary, his wid., still survives there.

LITTLEFIELD, Ammiel, also son of David, m. *Elizabeth Hancock*, dr. of George and Laura (Phinney) Hancock, b. Feb. 11, 1833; cer. June 29, 1857. Issue; but I am unable to specify. Mr. Littlefield was an excellent stonecutter. He has recently gone West.

LONG, Rev. David, first of the name in our municipality; ancestry not traced; son of Enoch and Abigail Long; b. in Newbury, Feb. 3, 1772; removed to Hopkinton, N.H., at the age of 5 yrs.; became pious at 19, and united with the ch. under Rev. Jacob Cram; m., 1st, *Lois How*, in 1794, who d. in a few months without issue; fitted for Dartmouth College, and entered 1795, whence he grad. 1798; studied divinity with Rev. Dr. Walter Harris, Dunbarton, N.H.; declined calls to set. in Deering, N.H., and Manchester, Mass; came to Mil. 1800, and was ordained pastor here May 20, 1801; m., 2d, *Rebecca Curtis* of Worcester, June 4, 1804, and by her had 4 chn.: viz., —

Enoch Curtis, b. May 23, 1805; d. young.

Isaac Curtis, b. Feb. 24, 1807; d. Jan. 4, 1825.

Amanda Maria, b. Aug. 13, 1808; m. Hoyt Freeman, April 13, 1835; d. April, 1850.

Claudius Buchanan, b. March 17, 1812; m.; unable to give name, etc.; he d. 1851.

Mrs. Rebecca d. June 30, 1824. The hus. m., 3d, *Sophia Rice* of Marlborough, April 17, 1826; no issue. Rev. Mr. Long continued in his pastorate until 1844, — a ministry of nearly 43 yrs. He res. here till the close of life, highly esteemed by all classes; being kept by the town at the head of its gen. school committee some 23 yrs. in succession down to 1849. He d. in Hartford, Ct., March 13, 1850, a. a few days over 78 yrs. His dr., Mrs. Freeman, was then on her dying-bed in Hartford. He went to visit her, but was taken fatally ill there, and d. as above. His dr. survived him only 3 weeks. His son Claudius B., d. in 1851. Mrs. Sophia, his 3d wf. and wid., survived him several yrs., and d. in Marlborough.

Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide of Medway preached Rev. Mr. Long's funeral sermon. I find the following extracts from that sermon in Rev. Mortimer Blake's "Centurial History of the Mendon Association:" —

"Mr. Long was a firm believer in the distinguishing doctrines of the gospel, as they were taught and believed by our Pilgrim Fathers. (He was an intelligent Hopkinsian.) His sermons were able, well-studied, and correctly written, not so remarkable for their brilliancy as for their depth of thought and weight of matter. In his delivery there was more of that distinctness, moderation, and solemnity which the philosophic and patient thinker prizes, than that rapidity of utterance, animation of feeling, and energy of manner which are pleasing to all, and deemed indispensable by some with whom the chief object of preaching is animal excitement.

"There was a beautiful correspondence between the truths which he taught and the principles by which his own conduct was governed. Integrity and uprightness were leading features in his character. When he once made a promise, everybody expected he would fulfil it. He *would* do right at all events.

"There were repeated revivals among his people during his ministry. But he gathered men by individuals rather than by multitudes into the church; and his success lay rather in establishing Christians in the faith once delivered to the saints, in inculcating the duties which devolved upon them as the professed disciples of Christ, and in disciplining their minds for their holy warfare, than in rapidly increasing their number. There are comparatively few men that have done more for the kingdom of Christ, in similar circumstances."

I have not found facilities for ascertaining the number of Mr. Long's baptisms, marriages, funerals, etc. His published productions are few. I have seen but two of his sermons in print, — one delivered on the return of the Milford Artillery Co. from their camp near Boston, Oct. 30, 1814; the other, a discourse delivered Dec. 24, 1815, "occasioned by the death of Miss Betsey Tidd," who d. the twenty-first of that month. I suspect there may be others, but they have not come to my knowledge. He was the principal penman of several school-committee reports, and probably of divers minor documents which never fell under my eye. On the whole, he certainly deserved, from his own religious associates and the inhabitants of Milford generally, a most respectful remembrance.

I recollect no other families or persons bearing the name Long that have dwelt more than transiently in town.

LOOMIS, Reuben, progenitors, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Sally R. Madden*, dr. of Levi and Sally (Rockwood) Madden, b. in Hop., Dec. 2, 1801; cer. Mil., Aug. 27, 1826, by Rev. Thomas W. Tucker; 1 son, —

Charles Martin, b. Hop., May 8, 1835; m. Rosetta Carter Chickering, dr. of Horace and Ann Maria (Ackerman) Chickering, b. Shrewsbury, May 22, 1836; cer. Hop., Feb. 10, 1855, by Rev. Mr. Andrews. They have 1 son, Charles Wilber, b. Hop., April 22, 1860. The family res. in Hop. 7 yrs., and since in Mil. 18 yrs. He is an industrious boot-bottomer on West St., near Marvel.

Several others of this name appear to have res. in town at various periods, and there are a few scattering credits of chn. b. to them. But having received no assistance in working out their genealogy, I must be excused for omitting further specification.

LOVETT. The Lovetts were of ancient and respectable lineage. Daniel, from Braintree, was one of the original Mendon proprietors. His son James was

a wealthy and influential landholder there, and took up large tracts of common land here. He was the fr. of John, Mary, Martha, Johanna, Sarah, Abigail and Daniel. Mary was the wf. of our Nathaniel Morse, Sarah was the wf. of our first Joseph Sumner, and Abigail the wf. of our first Ebenezer Sumner. DANIEL was of our Easterly Precinct at its incorporation, though dwelling in what was called "the standing part" of Mendon. I think it prob. he lived and d. on what is known as "the Lovett place" in the Davenport neighborhood. He m. *Abigail Thompson* of Braintree; cer. in Boston, Sept. 11, 1721, by Samuel Sewall, Esq. Their chn.:—

PHINEHAS, b. July 13, 1711; m., 1st, Hannah Merriam; 2d, Beulah Morse.
JAMES, b. not found; history not ascertained.
HANNAH, b. March 28, 1713; m. a Keith.
JOANNA, b. May 12, 1714; m. David Taft.
ABIGAIL, b. May 19, 1718.
SAMUEL, b. Aug. 12, 1726; d. date not ascertained.
Daniel, bap. April 26, 1741; supposed to have d. young.

Daniel, the hus. and fr., was known in mature life as Major Daniel Lovett. I conjecture that Mrs. Abigail d. first. He d. in 1748, and his son Phinehas was made his executor.

LOVETT, PHINEHAS[4] (Major Daniel,[3] James,[2] Daniel [1]), b. Mendon, July 13, 1711; m., 1st, *Hannah Merriam*, Aug. 7, 1734. Issue:—

ABIGAIL, birth-date not ascertained; d. Dec. 16, 1746.

Mrs. Hannah d. May 21, 1739; and the hus. m., 2d, *Beulah Morse*, dr. of Edmund and Rachel (Sheffield) Morse, b. March 4, 1723; cer. Dec. 22, 1742. Issue:—

RACHEL, bap. Feb. 12, 1743-4; d. Jan., 1746.
PHINEHAS, jun., bap. June 30, 1745; m. Abigail Thayer, April 6, 1768.
BEULAH, bap. April 3, 1748; m. Andrew Peters, March 30, 1768.
ABIGAIL, bap. Aug. 5, 1750; untraced.
DANIEL, bap. June 7, 1752; d. Sept., 1762.
RACHEL, bap. April 13, 1755; d. soon after birth.
WILLIAM, bap. July 16, 1758; d. Oct. 15, 1758.
SILENCE, bap. Oct. 14, 1759; d. Sept. 28, 1760.
PATIENCE, bap.; d. Sept. 28, 1760.

The hus. and fr. bore the title "capt." Mrs. Beulah was recd. into Rev. Mr. Frost's ch. Feb. 12, 1743-4; and most, if not all, of her chn. were duly bap. She d. June 28, 1766. Capt. Phinehas had a considerable homestead on the east side of now Main St., and his domicile stood nearly where Milford National Bank building now does. There he was a licensed retailer of spirituous liquors for some 14 yrs., from 1753 onward. He sold his real est., 86 acs. in all, to Jona. Jones in 1767. And thenceforth I lose track of him. The Lovetts seem to have become extinct in Mil. and Mendon. One family more only to mention.

LOVETT, OTIS C., pedigree untraced, came from Cumberland, R.I.; was a blacksmith, and res. here for a brief period. He and wf., Nancy (Bolcom) Lovett, stand credited on our records with 1 birth; viz.,—

SAMUEL DANIELS, b. Sept. 23, 1833.

LUTHER, JAMES, son, as I suppose, of Abijah and Prudence (Peck) Luther, was m. to *Mary Parkhurst;* pedigree not found; cer. March 16, 1783, by Edward Rawson, Esq. I conjecture that this James Luther must have been an heir to some of John Peck's lands. See name Peck. But I am somewhat mystified as to who he was, who his wf. was, or what became of them.

LYNCH, PATRICK, son of Eugene and Mary (Sullivan) Lynch, b. in Ireland, March 14, 1834; m. *Honora Connolley*, dr. of Thomas and Mary (Crowley) Connolley, b. in Ireland, April 9, 1838; cer. in Chicopee, May, 1855, by Rev. W. Blinksop. Issue:—

MARY A., b. Bell., Aug. 18, 1857.
THOMAS J., b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1860.
EUGENE F., b. Mil., May 2, 1862.
CORNELIUS, b. Mil., April 9, 1864; d. soon.
MAGGIE, b. Mil., April 14, 1866; d. same day.
PATRICK, b. Mil., May 6, 1868.
TIMOTHY, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1870.
CORNELIUS, 2d, b. April 30, 1878.
HANNAH C., b. Indian Orchard, Aug. 1, 1880.

Mr. Lynch has res. in town since Jan., 1859. He is an enterprising, thriving grocer. I am not certain I have entered his family record correctly, being much perplexed by certain interlineations and obscurities of his return, but have done my best.

McDEVITT, DOMINIC, job contractor, farmer, etc., b. in Glenties, Donegal Co., Ireland. He came to St. John, N.B., 1822, thence to Hop. in 1832, and thence, soon after, to Mil., with his wf. His first business here was the building of the then (now West St.) newly-laid road to Up., he having taken the contract off the hands of Mr. Walker, the original undertaker. Since then, with the exception of brief residences down East and in the West, he has dwelt in this town on various estates. He said in 1877 he was in his 76th yr., much worn with hard toil, and afflicted with rheumatism, but seemed mentally vigorous. He and his wf. are devout Catholics, and may be reckoned among the ancients of their ch. in Mil. They told me that they united in the first Cath. service ever held here by a priest, which took place in the dwelling-house of Mr. Edward McGovern, since deceased; and that divine service was solemnized many times in their own house before their first ch. edifice was built. He recollected not more than one or two Irishmen within our limits at his entrance among us. His wf., Mary (Moore), was b. in Clonis, Monaghan Co., Ireland, 1812. They were m. in St. John, N.B., April 18, 1832, and have had 9 chn. Four of these now survive; viz., —

ELEANOR, b. Mil., June 27, 1835; d. out West.
MARTIN, b. Mil., March 14, 1837; d.
MARY ANN, b. Mil., Feb. 2, 1841; d.
TERESA, b. St. John, N.B., Dec. 26, 1841; d.
MATILDA, b. Mil., 1843.
DOMINIC, Jun., b. Mil., date not given.
ULILA, b. neither place nor date.
JOHN, b. Bloomingdale, Ill., July 11, 1854.
LIZZIE, b. Beloit, Wis., April 10, 1858.

Mr. McDevitt d. in Mil., Oct. 21, a. 83 yrs. Whether his wid. survives, I am not informed.

McFARLAND, Dea. EBENEZER, perhaps of Scotch descent; ancestry not ascertained; b. in Hop., Friday, June 10, 1757; m. *Elizabeth Gibson*, b. also in Hop., Aug. 28, 1752; cer. sometime in 1774; other particulars not given. Their old family Bible hands down the quaintest part of the following record.

OLIVE, b. Nov. 10, 1776, a little before sunrise Sunday morning. She m. Nathan Rockwood, Nov. 10, 1805; d. Oct. 22, 1842, a. 65 yrs. 11 mos. and 11 days. She had a family of 7 chn., all of whom lived to man- and woman-hood, but 1. Mr. Rockwood d. Aug. 7, 1841, a. 70 yrs. and 3 mos.

POLLY, b. Monday, March 29, 1779, about 3 o'clock P.M. She d. Oct. 19, 1819, a. 40 yrs. 6 mos. and 20 days; unm.

WALLACE, b. Sunday, April 22, 1781, about 4 o'clock P.M. He m. Olivia Lovering, Nov. 26, 1807; and d. Feb. 13, 1871, a. 89 yrs. 10 mos. Mrs. Olivia d. May 3, 1869, a. 83 yrs. They were both b., m., dwelt, and d. in Hop. They lived together 63 yrs. on the same homestead, and had 6 chn., all of whom lived to ripe maturity, save 1 that d. an infant.

AMASA, b. Tuesday, July 15, 1783, about 9 o'clock in the morning. He m. the wid. Rebecca Foster Kenney of Athol, Feb. 15, 1816. They had 6 chn., 4 of whom now survive. He d. in Springfield, Dec. 13, 1866, a. 83 yrs. 4 mos. and 29 days. Mrs. Rebecca, his wid., d. in Boston, May 5, 1874, a. 83 yrs. 2 mos. and 11 days.

LAWSON, b. Saturday, Sept. 17, 1785, about sunrise. He m. Deborah Rockwood in 1814. They had 8 chn. He was thrown from his carriage, by his horse taking fright, and so badly injured that he survived but a few hours. He d. Aug. 30, 1853, a. 68 yrs. Mrs. Deborah, his wid., d. July 13, 1862, a. 66 yrs. and 10 mos.

RUBIE, b. Monday, April 6, 1789, a little before sunrise. She m. Hiram Johnson, June 2, 1813. They had 9 chn. He d. Jan. 18, 1856, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Rubie, his wid., d. Aug. 23, 1872, a. 83 yrs. 4 mos. and 17 days.

SOPHIA, b. Tuesday, July 3, 1791, about midnight. She m. Luke Wales in 1814. They had 5 chn. She d. Jan. 13, 1850, a. 58 yrs. and 6 mos. Mr. Wales d. Jan. 19, 1865, a. 72 yrs. and 10 mos.

EMILY, b. Dec. 29, 1794; d. Oct. 6, 1796, a. 1 yr. 9 mos. and 8 days.

Ebenezer McFarland, the fr., d. on Sunday, April 23, 1837, a. 85 yrs. 10 mos. and 13 days. His venerable wid. d. Feb. 10, 1847, a. 94 yrs. 5 mos. and 13 days. This hus. and wf. were rather remarkable people in their day and vicinage. They were old fashioned, plain, homespun folks, but of noble moral character, large hearts, and liberal minds. Their homestead was in Mil., close to Hop. line, until that line was straightened. We find Mr. McF.'s name among those of our moderators and assessors. He was an early Methodist when the first preachers of that denomination planted societies in the No. Purchase and Hayden Row, and in 1801 was a joint class-leader with Edmund Bowker under Rev. Joseph Snelling. After I came into town in 1824, I formed a friendly and pleasant acquaintance with these aged Christian pilgrims. By that time their progressive souls had transcended all narrow views of the divine perfections and purposes, and rejoiced in hope of the final triumph of good over all evil, yet had lost none of their personal devotion to true righteousness. I believe they went to a home of shining immortality. I ministered at both their funerals.

MCFARLAND, AMASA, son of Wallace, and gd. son of Ebenezer; birth-date not given; m., 1st, *Mary Livermy*, date and particulars not given. Issue: —

MARY OLIVIA and LAWSON. The latter d. in infancy; and the former m. Joshua T. Baker of Up.; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 3, 1853, by the writer. Mr. B. d. in Hop., Aug. 22, 1854. Mrs. Susan, the mr., d. soon after her son Lawson.

The hus. m., 2d, *Lydia Peirce*, dr. of Henry and Phila (Thomas) Peirce; cer. in Mendon, April 8, 1838, by the writer. Issue: —

William R., b. Hop., May 15, 1839; m. Sarah Jane Gilmore of Sherborn, June 15, 1871.

Charles, b. Hop., March, 1855; d. Sept. 30, 1873, a. 18 yrs. 6 mos., etc.

Mr. Amasa res. in Southville at present, and has long been an invalid, suffering, not only physical pain and debility, but much discouragement. Meantime his dutiful wf. and chn. have done all in their power to mitigate his ills, and render his sickness endurable. It has been my privilege to render ministrations often within this family circle and its general kindred, both in seasons of sorrow and joy.

McFARLAND, William R.[4] (Amasa,[3] Wallace,[2] Ebenezer[1]), b. in Hop., May 15, 1839; shoemaker; m. *Sarah Jane Gilmore*, dr. of Moses and Sarah (Leonard) Gilmore, b. in Sherborn, March 20, 1841; cer. in Sherborn, June 15, 1871, by the writer. Issue:—

Fred, b. in Southborough, Dec. 1, 1872.

Mr. William R. res. formerly in Milford 6 yrs., and latterly 10 in Southborough. He takes much interest in Mil. History and Genealogy, and I am indebted to him for most of the data here given concerning the McFarlands.

McFARLAND, Samuel, son of Thomas and Lydia (Ware) McFarland, an only child, and nephew of Dea. Ebenezer, first above mentioned, b. in Hop., date not given, as were also his parents; m. *Polly Bowker*, dr. of Dea. Edmund and Hannah (Stearns) Bowker, b. Mil., Sept. 7, 1791; cer. Mil., April 12, 1812, by Samuel Jones, Esq.

They had none but foster chn. Their family homestead was on the Purchase road, a little beyond our border in the edge of Hop. He d. Oct. 3, 1849. If I rightly recollect, his wid. was m. to Robert Corbett, as her 2d hus., and lived some yrs. in N. Y. State. She d. Aug. 14, 1874.

McKENNEY, William, pedigree not ascertained, nor his wf. *Mehetabel's*, dwelt in our Precinct some yrs. Mrs. Mehetabel was recd. to covenant in Mr. Frost's ch., Nov. 18, 1744. In virtue of this ch. relation, they had 3 chn. bap; viz.,—

William, Jun., bap. Nov. 18, 1744; untraced.

Mary, bap. Aug. 23, 1747; untraced.

Hannah, bap. June 18, 1749; mr. of Dilla Twitchell, and afterwards m. Robert Wood, a foreigner; cer. July 9, 1789, by Rev. A. Frost. No issue that I ever heard of. They lived and d. with Dilla Twitchell.

McTAGUE, Simeon, and wf. *Caroline*, from Ireland, I presume, stand credited on our records as follows:—

Michael, b. June 25, 1831; untraced.

Thomas, b. Oct. 5, 1839; untraced.

Mary Ann, b. April 20, 1841; untraced.

Caroline, b. Dec. 5, 1842; d. Jan. 9, 1844.

The family no further traced.

McWALES, John, son of John, who affixed the "Mc" to his son's name out of respect to a valued friend; b. perhaps in Franklin, in 1796; mr.'s maiden name Ruth Congdon, who d. soon after his birth. He came to Mil. in youth or early manhood; and m. *Phebe G. Bartlett*, dr. of Joshua and Sally (Bright) Bartlett, b. in Needham during the year 1797; cer. Oct. 4, 1821, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Charles, b. July 6, 1822; m. Cordelia (Cheney) Slayton, 1864.

John Davis, b. Nov. 7, 1824; unm; went to Cal., and later to Oregon.

Harriet Clementina, b. Jan. 2, 1827; m. George H. Kendall, March 10, 1846.

CATHERINE GODFREY, b. Aug. 15, 1830; m. David K. Kendall, 1852; she d. Dec. 13, 1871.

ANN SOPHIA, b. June 27, 1833; m. Jesse B. Cross, Feb. 22, 1854.

GEORGE HENRY, b. Dec. 3, 1837; unm.; went to Cal.; prob. res. there now.

Mrs. Phebe d. Feb. 27, 1849; and the hus. m., 2d, *Catherine D. Force* of Medway, dr. of David and Sarah (Smith) Force, b. Feb. 2, 1824; cer. Feb. 2, 1854, by Rev. James T. Woodbury. Issue:—

SARAH IRENE, b. Feb. 2, 1855; m. George Birch, Dec. 25, 1873.

FANNIE MARIA, b. July 27, 1857; d. May 27, 1862.

FREDERICK ANDERSON, b. Oct. 1, 1860.

The hus. and fr. d. some yrs. ago. Mrs. Catherine survives, and dwells on the family homestead, West St.

MACY, ALANSON, carpenter, son of Frederic C. and Lydia (Bunker) Macy, b. in Nantucket, June 25, 1832; m. *Mary Elizabeth Willard*, dr. of Joseph and Betsey Hale (French) Willard, b. in Grafton, Vt., Sept. 20, 1835; cer. in Mil., June 8, 1856, by Rev. D. Richards, pastor of the Methodist ch. Issue:—

EVA ANN, b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1858; d. Sept. 28, 1863.

EDDIE LUCIUS, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1869.

At 14 yrs. of age Mr. M. went to sea on board of a whale-ship on a perilous voyage of 5 yrs., and experienced many hardships. He continued his seafaring life until 30 yrs. of age. He sailed on his first voyage from Nantucket, on his last from New Bedford. He has res. in Mil. 26 yrs., and is now a worker on straw-goods. Social standing of himself and family understood to be reputable; house Chestnut, near Forest St.

MACY, FREDERIC C., and wf. *Lydia (Bunker) Macy*, parents of the preceding, came from Nantucket to Mil. in 1853. Mr. M. worked chiefly at tinning and roofing. They were worthy people. Their chn. were 5 in number, 3 of whom res. in Mil., 1 in Bell., and 1 in Fitchburg. I cannot give their names, birth-dates, etc., intélligibly. Mrs. Lydia d. in April, 1871. Her hus. d. Feb. 2, 1879.

MADDEN, MICHAEL,[1] the first of this name on our records; ancestry not traced; birthplace and date not found; appeared early in Holl., where he m., 1st, *Mary Bullard*, dr. of Benjamin and Judith (Hill) Bullard, b. in Holl., June 5, 1744; cer. 1762, by whom not given. They came into our Precinct as early certainly as the spring of 1772; for they had 3 chn. christened by Rev. Mr. Frost on the 21st June of that yr., — their mr. having been recd. into ch. on the 17th May. I have not ascertained where they dwelt, but suppose they set. in the No. Purchase, not far from Hop. line, and perhaps lived a while in the edge of that town. Their chn.:—

DAVID, b. in Holl., July 14, 1763; m., 1st, Wid. Anna (Battle) Abbee; 2d, Wid. Mary (Sumner) Wheelock.

LEVI, b. in Holl., March 13, 1764; m. Sally Rockwood.

AMOS, b. Mil., not found; went to Horse Neck, Ct.; lived and d. there unm.

OLIVE, b. Mil., June 1, 1777; m., 1st, Lewis Cobb, March 16, 1794; 2d, Maj. Whitney.

EZEKIEL, b. Mil., April 13, 1780; went to Cuba, W.I., and d. there.

MARY } (twins), b. Mil., Feb. 3, 1784; m. John Wales, jun., Dec. 5, 1805.
LYDIA } (twins), b. Mil., Feb. 3, 1784; m. Jesse Cheney, Nov. 4, 1802.

Mrs. Mary d., date not found. The hus. m., 2d, *Elizabeth White*, Dec. 3, 1789; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No issue from this mge. ascertained. Mrs. Eliza-

beth d. March 19, 1797. The hus. m., 3d, *Hannah Gowing* of Grafton, 1799; no particulars concerning this mge. further traced. Mr. Madden d. April 1, 1811. Date of his wid.'s death not found.

MADDEN, DAVID[2] (Michael[1]), b. in Holl., July 14, 1763; m., 1st, Wid. *Anna (Battle) Abbee;* no dates or particulars ascertained; dwelt mostly in the near border of Hop., adjacent to No. Purchase. Their chn.: —

LUCRETIA, b. prob. Hop., date not ascertained; m. Robert Corbett, Nov. 30, 1809; set. Mina, N.Y.

ITHIEL, b. prob. Hop., date not ascertained; set. and m. Cuba, W.I.; a son William there.

AMOS, b. prob. Hop., date not ascertained; set. and m. Brooklyn, N.Y.; family all d.

DAVID, b. prob. Hop., date not ascertained; m. and set. Auburn, N.Y.; family all d.

I have excused myself from taking pains to search out dates, and from giving names of wives and chn., in these four cases, as inconvenient and unnecessary. Mrs. Anna d., by her own hand, Dec. 5, 1799. The hus. m., 2d, Wid. *Mary (Sumner) Wheelock*, in 1818; particulars not ascertained. No issue. Mrs. Mary d. Aug. 15, 1842. The hus. finally went to live with his dr. Corbett, in Mina, N.Y., and d. there, date not given.

MADDEN, LEVI[2] (Michael[1]), b. Holl., March 13, 1764; m. *Sally Rockwood*, b. Jan. 12, 1778; ptge. and particulars of cer. not given. Their chn.: —

ASIA, b. Sturbridge, Aug. 5, 1798; m. Sally Pond, Holl., Feb. 10, 1824.

AFRICA, b. Mil., Nov. 20, 1799; m. Tryphena Smith, etc.

SALLY R., b. Hop., Dec. 2, 1801; m. Reuben Loomis, Aug. 27, 1826.

MICHAEL EUROPE, b. Hop., June 20, 1803; m. Susan Stone, Feb. 9, 1823.

DAMARIS NEWTON, b. Hop., April 17, 1805; d. Feb. 10, 1808.

CAROLINE, b. Boston, Nov. 20, 1807; d. April, 1809.

MARY ANN, b. Boston, March 25, 1810; d. Green, Penn.

LEVI AMERICA, b. Mil., March 20, 1812; d. Brooklyn, N.Y.

EZEKIEL, b. Mil., April 28, 1814; d. New Orleans, La.

WILLARD ROCKWOOD, b. Mil., May 18, 1818; d. St. Marks, Fla.

Mr. M., the hus. and fr., d. in Cuba, W.I., Feb. 7, 1818. Mrs. Sally, his wid., d. at Green, Penn., Feb. 8, 1834.

MADDEN, ASIA[3] (Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. Sturbridge, Aug. 5, 1798; m. *Sally Pond*, dr. of Aaron and Silence (Underwood) Pond, b. Holl., May 29, 1806; cer. Mil., Feb. 10, 1824, by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Their chn.: —

SALLY ROCKWOOD, b. Jan. 4, 1828; m. Leonard Seaver, June 5, 1849; she d. 1864

HENRY NELSON, b. Nov. 16, 1829; m. Eliza E. Frink, Nov. 9, 1853; res. Mil.

HARRIET MARIA, b. June 28, 1831; m. Charles E. Clark, March 1, 1855.

DIANA ELIZA, b. Dec. 22, 1833; d. of small-pox, Jan. 2, 1838.

SYLVIA JEANETTE, b. March 12, 1836; d. Jan. 22, 1854.

SYLVESTER LEVI, b. Aug. 5, 1839; m. Amanda J. Wheeler, Jan. 9, 1865.

WILLIAM E., b. Jan 30, 1844; d. July 2, 1845.

Mr. M. and family res. in our "City" district, so called, many yrs., mostly on one of the old Saunder homesteads. There he d., Feb. 24, 1860. His wf. d. Nov. 7, 1866, a. 60 yrs. 5 mos. and 25 ds. His sons Henry and Sylvester now dwell on and near the same place.

MADDEN, HENRY NELSON[4] (Asia,[3] Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. Nov. 16, 1829, in Mina, N.Y.; m. *Eliza Ellen Frink*, dr. of Alfred B. and Mary (Page) Frink, b.

Providence, R.I., Dec. 9, 1834; cer. Mil., Nov. 9, 1853, by Rev. Isaac Smith. Res. in our "City" district; occupation farming. Their chn.:—

WILLIE NELSON, b. Mil., May 1, 1857; m., name not given, April 3, 1876.

FREDDIE SEAVER, b. Palmer, Nov. 22, 1863.

ARTHUR DAVID, b. Mil., Nov. 26, 1870; d. July 2, 1871.

MADDEN, SYLVESTER LEVI[4] (Asia,[3] Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. Aug. 5, 1839; m. *Amanda J. Wheeler*, dr. of Simeon S. and Harriet (Dodge) Wheeler, b. in Calais, Vt., 1844; cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 9, 1865, by the writer. No names of chn. reported.

MADDEN, AFRICA[3] (Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. in Mil., Nov. 20, 1799; m. *Tryphenia Smith*, ptge., birth-date, and particulars of cer. not found. They had but one son. See below. Africa d. in Mil., Oct. 7, 1870.

MADDEN, AMOS LEVI[4] (Africa,[3] Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. Mil., Feb. 2, 1846; m. *Louisa Angeline Frink*, dr. of Alfred Lathrop and Louisa Angeline (Bancroft) Frink, b. Medway, Oct. 29, 1849; cer. Grafton, Sept. 6, 1868, by Rev. Gilbert Cummings. He is a mechanic, res. in Hop.; and their chn. are,—

EDWARD ALFRED, b. Hop., Sept. 30, 1870.

IDA LOUISA, b. Hop., June 3, 1872; d. Nov. 5, 1876.

ANGIE GERTRUDE, b. Hop., July 20, 1878.

CARRIE ELVINE, b. Hop., May 27, 1880.

Mr. Madden was born a patriot. So when the great Rebellion broke out, at the age of a little over 15 yrs. he enlisted to fight for his country; and by his devoted heroism he won honorable fame. See the "War-Record of the Rebellion," and especially the panegyric justly bestowed on him by Gen. Underwood, near the close of his Centennial oration, as presented in Chap. XVII. of this volume.

MADDEN, MICHAEL EUROPE[3] (Levi,[2] Michael[1]), b. June 20, 1803; m., 1st, *Susan Stone* of Mendon, now Blackstone; no further particulars about this mge. given. They had 3 chn. b. in Mil.; viz., Foster, Charles, and Caroline. They then removed to Erie, Penn., where 5 more chn. were b. to them. Names, birth-dates, etc., not given. Mrs. Susan d. there; and the hus. m., 2d, *Ellen A. Campbell* of N.J., by whom were b. Sarah E., Mary Emma, Kate, and Elvira. Mr. Madden d. at Fairview, N.J., Dec. 4, 1870. An imperfect record, but the best I could obtain.

MADDEN, JOHN, son of Patrick and Catherine (McGwinity) Madden, b. in Ireland, March 10, 1828; m. *Abby Hynes*, dr. of Michael and Margaret (Dowling) Hynes, b. Ireland, 1832; cer. in Waltham, Aug. 14, 1853, by Rev. Father Flood. Their chn.:—

THOMAS, b. Mil., d. young; no birth-date given.

MARGARET, b. Mil.; a. 25 yrs.; one of our public-school teachers.

LILLA, b. Mil.; d. young; no birth-date given.

JOSEPH, b. Mil.; a. 22 yrs.; no birth-date given.

KATIE, b. Mil.; a. 18 yrs.; no birth-date given.

LIZZIE, b. Mil.; a. 14 yrs.; no birth-date given.

LUCY, b. Mil.; a. 12 yrs.; no birth-date given.

ABBY, b. Mil.; a. 10 yrs.; no birth-date given.

NELLIE, b. Mil.; a. 7 yrs.; no birth-date given.

JOHN, b. Mil.; a. 3 yrs.; no birth-date given.

I am not quite sure I have given the chn.'s names correctly, but I have interpreted the chirography of the return as well as I could. Mr. Madden and wf. have resided in Mil. about 28 yrs. He is an enterprising grocer.

MANN, Capt. ELBRIDGE, son of John and Sally (Jackson) Mann, b. Sherborn, Sept. 8, 1820; m. *Elizabeth L. Ware*, dr. of William and Abigail L. (Clark) Ware, b. Mil., June 11, 1823; cer. Mil., Dec. 19, 1844, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

WILLIAM JACKSON, b. April, 1847; m. Carrie Berry, 1876; 1 son.

ABBIE MARIA, b. March, 1852; unm.; res. with parents.

MINNIE L., b. June 19, 1858; public-school teacher.

Capt. Mann came to Mil. in 1841, and has distinguished himself as a bootmanufacturer, and also by the honorable discharge of many duties as a citizen. But he has met with serious reverses in business, and, since the loss of his large manufactory by fire, with valuable contents, on the 18th of May, 1881, has been waiting for renewed business opportunities. His son William J. finds encouraging employment in Boston. He has been there for some yrs.

Several of Capt. Mann's bros. have dwelt more or less in town.

MANN, ALBERT, and wf. *Elizabeth (Draper) Mann*, had 5 chn.; viz., ALBERT CHESTER, BERTHA (d.), GEORGE MELVIN (now in Dover), and one more (a dr. now d.). The fr. d. in 1863. Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid., still res. here.

MANN, WILLARD, and wf. *Susan (Winship) Mann* (now in Med. or Holl.), were among our inhabitants at one time. They were parents of 9 chn. I know the name and birth-date of but one of these; viz., ABBIE W., b. in Natick, 1852; m. Reuben R. Wright, March 28, 1875; res. in Natick.

MANN, HOLLIS, and wf. *Charlotte (Mann) Mann*, had sons, — HENRY H. and ARTHUR. All now res. in Cochituate.

MANN, OLIVER EVERETT, and wf. *Ann M. (Draper) Mann*, had 5 chn. here. They are d., and all their chn. but 1, — LESTER A., who res. in Cochituate.

MANN, JOHN, one of our naturalized Irish-Americans, son of Owen and Ellen (McKenna) Mann, b. Monaghan Co., Ireland, Oct., 1824; m. *Rose Cassidy*, dr. of Allen and Mary (Scanlan) Cassidy, b. Co. Leitrim, Ireland, April, 1839; cer. Mil., April 2, 1856, by Rev. Father Farrelly. Issue:—

JOHN, b. Jan. 4, 1857; d. April 5, 1858.

MARY ANN, b. July 13, 1858.

ALLEN, b. May 20, 1859; d. May 4, 1871.

NELLIE, b. March 1, 1862.

EUGENE, b. April 20, 1863; d. June 6, 1864.

JOSEPH, b. Dec. 6, 1865; d. Nov. 6, 1871.

LYDIA, b. Feb. 22, 1867.

JOHN, b. Sept. 17, 1869; d. Feb. 21, 1877.

Mrs. Rose d. Dec. 20, 1869. Mr. Mann survives all his bereavements and afflictions. He dwells, with the remnant of his family, on what may be called the ancient Ramsdell place, near the junction of Main St. with the old "Eightrod Road," on the Mendon line. He came to Hopedale, April 2, 1849, and worked for William W. Cook 5 yrs. He next drove D. B. Chapman's soap-cart a while, and then he purchased of Almon Harris the homestead where he now dwells. There he has carried on successfully the manufacture of soap for several yrs. He has always been a very hard-working, money-saving man, in spite of many drawbacks. He has added both lands and houses, as well as marked improvements, to his original purchase, of very considerable value; and still he digs on. He is esteemed a kind-hearted neighbor and citizen.

MANLEY, DAVID LEANDER, son of Thomas and Abigail (Chessman) Manley, b. Boston, Aug. 4, 1821; m. *Mary Ann Elizabeth Salisbury*, dr. of David and Penelope (Pettiplace) Salisbury, b. Webster, Aug. 9, 1825; cer. in Hopedale, July 2, 1845, by the writer. Their chn.:—

LEANDER WILLARD, b. Mil., Jan. 17, 1846; d. March 28, 1847, a. 1 yr. 2 mos. and 11 days.

ALBERT HENRY, b. Mil., Aug. 23, 1848; bootmaker; res. with his fr.

LAURETTA } (twins), b. Mil., Jan. 18, 1850; d. March 1, 1858, a. 8 yrs. 1 mo. and 11 days.

LAURIETT } (twins), b. Mil., Jan. 18, 1850; d. Grafton, Oct. 19, 1850, a. 9 mos. and 1 day.

An industrious, quiet, unassuming, exemplary, much afflicted family. Mrs. Mary Ann went to join her loved ones in the spirit-home, Aug. 21, 1880, leaving to her bereaved husband and son many precious memories, and the hopeful consolations of her blissful welcome among the redeemed.

I may add that the above record included the following data relating to the parents of Mr. and Mrs. Manley; to wit, —

"Thomas Manley, b. Sharon, Sept. 15, 1791; and d. Boston, Dec. 10, 1851, a. 60 yrs. 2 mos. and 25 days. Abigail (Chessman) Manley, b. Boston, Dec. 10, 1797; and d. Quincy, Dec. 29, 1876, a. 79 yrs. and 19 days."

"David Salisbury, b. Burrillville, R.I., 1777; and d. Charlton, Mass., 1832, a. 55 yrs. Penelope (Pettiplace) Salisbury, b. Burrillville, R.I., 1781; and d. Upton, Mass., April 23, 1856, a. 75 yrs."

Mr. Manley has res. in Mil. as many as 35 yrs. or more.

MARSHALL, JOSEPH, son of Thomas and Esther Marshall, b. Holl., date not found; m. *Mary Leland*, Feb. 2, 1736–37. Their chn.: —

ESTHER, b. Holl., Aug. 3, 1738; m. Jepthah Wedge, Nov. 17, 1757.

EZRA, b. Holl., June 30, 1740; d. young.

ICHABOD, b. Holl., Aug. 10, 1742; m. Lydia Stearns, Dec. 25, 1760.

MARY, bap. in our Precinct, July 17, 1748; m. Barzillai Albee, March 21, 1770.

DINAH, bap. in our Precinct, July 20, 1750; m. William Boyd of Grafton, April 26, 1770.

JOSEPH, bap. in our Precinct, March 18, 1753; d. young.

JOSEPH, bap. in our Precinct, May 23, 1756; untraced.

EZRA, bap. in our Precinct, June 6, 1760; untraced.

Joseph Marshall came from Holl. into our Precinct, and purchased certain parcels of upland, swamp, and meadow, about the year 1747. He bought said parcels of William Robinson. In 1751 he bought a small homestead of Joseph Jones, on that part of now Freedom St. opposite the Hopedale peat-meadow. His domicile stood on the east side of Freedom St., a few rods northerly of the two tenement-houses belonging to the Hopedale Machine Co. See p. 394, No. 25, Abandoned Home-sites. Whether Marshall owned the peat-swamp, or any part of it, I am uncertain, but think it probable. He ultimately sold out to one of the Joneses, and further I leave him untraced. He and his wf. were received from Holl. ch. into Mr. Frost's here, June 4, 1749. His bro., —

MARSHALL, THOMAS, and wf. *Beriah*, were received Dec. 23, 1753. Another bro., —

MARSHALL, JOHN, and wf. *Mary*, were received July 23, 1749, and had 2 chn. bap. here; viz., REBECCA, the same day, and FARNSWORTH, March 29, 1752.

This lineage of Marshalls at length disappeared from among us. The last one was perhaps referred to in the following town vote, passed March 18, 1782: "Voted to give the widow Marshall's riding-hood to her youngest daughter, Sarah." Whose wid. was referred to, how the town came by her riding-hood,

or who Sarah was, I get no clear indication from the records. I must therefore leave the problem to a more expert genealogist.

MARSHALL, CHARLES H., bootmaker, appears in Directory for 1869.

MARSHALL, AMELIA, wid. of Charles H., appears in Directory for 1872.

MARSHALL, HENRY A., laborer, appears in Directory for 1872.

MARSHALL, PETER, wheelwright, appears in Directories for 1872, '75, '78, '80.

MARSHALL, MARIA, wid. of Hosea, appears in Directories for 1875, '78, '80.

MARSHALL, FRANK, bootmaker, appears in Directories for 1880.

MARSHALL BROS., jewellers, EDWARD and BARKER B., and their families, will be well remembered as residents in town for several yrs. previous to the great Rebellion. They were from Nantucket, I think. Edward went to the war. See "War Record." He is now in business at Natick. His brother B. B. is doing business in one of the cities of Minnesota.

Our MARSHES have been few and far between.

MARSH, JOHN, and wf. *Elizabeth*, had a dr. bap. here by Rev. Mr. Webb; viz., ABIGAIL, Nov. 29, 1747.

MARSH, SILAS, of Sturbridge, was m. to *Beulah Albee* of Mil., Feb. 8, 1775, by Rev. A. Frost.

MARSH, MARY, was m. to Ichabod Thayer, jun., both of Mil., April 25, 1765, by Rev. A. Frost.

MARSH, FREDERICK, carpenter, is named in Directory for 1869.

What other Marshalls or Marshes have transiently dwelt within our limits, I know not.

MASON, JOHN, now some yrs. decd., was one of our conspicuous boot-manufacturers, citizens, and town officials. He left memoranda concerning his progenitors, from which I make the following digested extract:—

"My grandfr.'s name was Asa Mason, of Medfield, b. there Oct. 25, 1727, and d. there Jan. 3, 1803, a. 74 yrs. 2 mos. and 8 days. His death was caused by falling from a scaffold in his barn, and breaking his neck. My grandmother, on my fr.'s side, was Priscilla, b. July 1, 1735. She d. Jan. 15, 1804, a. 68 yrs. 6 mos. and 14 days. They had 10 chn., sons and drs., as follows:—

BERIAH, b. June 27, 1756; unm.; d. in Med., Oct. 26, 1825, a. 69 yrs. 3 mos. 29 days.

EBENEZER, b. April 14, 1758; d. Oct. 7, 1802.

ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 24, 1759; d. Sept. 6, 1843.

UNICE, b. April 13, 1762; d. July 13, 1805.

ESTHER, b. April 11, 1764; d. (no date).

ASA, b. April 1, 1766; d. Oct 18, 1803.

SARAH, b. Sept. 16, 1768; d. Feb. 6, 1843.

KEZIAH, b. Dec. 22, 1770; d. 1849.

AMOS, b. April 19, 1773; d. April 17, 1776.

NATHAN, b. Nov. 3, 1778; d. May 4, 1798.

MASON ASA, son of Asa and Priscilla; b. in Medfield, April 1, 1766; m. *Mehetabel Mason*; pedigree, particulars of cer., etc., not ascertained. Their chn:—

OLIVE, b. May 23, 1789; d. March 28, 1792.

JULIA, b. Feb. 25, 1793; d. June 9, 1818.

SETH, b. March 14, 1795; d. Nov. 7, 1802.

JOHN, b. April 25, 1799; d. Nov. 19, 1864.

MEHETABEL, b. Sept. 5, 1801.

Whether these chn. were all b. in Medfield, or part of them in Barre, I am not informed; but the parents removed to Barre, and are understood to have d. there.

MASON, JOHN[3] (Asa,[2] Asa[1]), b. Medfield, April 15, 1799; m., 1st, *Martha Wheeler*, ptge. not given, b. in Barre, March 14, 1804; cer. Mil., Aug. 14, 1822, by Rev. David Long. Issue:—

JOHN QUINCY, b. April 14, 1823; m. Susan M. Pierce, Dec., 1846; he d. Dec. 9, 1875.

RHODOLPHUS AUGUSTUS, b. Sept. 4, 1824; d. May 8, 1825.

Mrs. Martha d. June 30, 1825; and the hus. m., 2d, Mrs. Sally (Wheeler) Hinds, an older sister of his 1st wf., b. in Barre, June 8, 1794; cer. Mil., Jan. 10, 1826, by the writer. Issue:—

MARTHA WHEELER, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1827; d. Aug. 24, 1836.

JULIA ANN, b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1829; m. Warren Lawrence, June 23, 1852.

JANE ARABELLA, b. Mil., June 4, 1831; m. Byron Carpenter, Oct. 25, 1849.

FRANCIS OWEN, b. Mil., Dec. 11, 1833; m. Isabelle M. Littlefield, Dec. 26, 1861.

John Mason d. Nov. 19, 1864. Mrs. Sally, his wid., d. Aug. 30, 1870.

MASON, JOHN QUINCY[4] (John,[3] Asa,[2] Asa[1]), b. Mil., April 14, 1823; m. *Susan M. Pierce*, b. in Up., May 4, 1830; cer. Dec., 1846; no further particulars given. Issue:—

JOHN JEROME, b. Mil., Oct. 13, 1847; d. Jan. 24, 1857.

ROSE MABEL, b. Mil., March 20, 1855; m. Frederick H. Woods, Jan. 22, 1879.

Susan Maria, b. Mil., Feb. 4, 1858; trimmer at straw-shop.

J. Q. Mason d. Dec. 9, 1875. Mrs. Susan and her chn. still survive, and res. in town, reputably employed.

MASON, FRANCIS OWEN[4] (John,[3] Asa,[2] Asa[1]), b. Mil., Dec. 11, 1833; m. *Isabelle Margaret Littlefield*, dr. of Loammi and Eliza (Black) Littlefield; b. Holl., March 24, 1836; cer. Holl., Dec. 26, 1861, by Rev. B. A. Edwards. Issue:—

WALTER FRANK, b. Mil., April 8, 1866.

Mr. Mason is a trusted station-agent of the Providence and Worcester R.R. Co. at Hop. Res. 196 Main St., Mil.

MASON, NOAH, and wf. *Cynthia*, pedigrees not ascertained, stand credited on our records with the following specified births:—

ANN ELIZA, b. July 12, 1835; untraced.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. June 27, 1838; untraced.

LYMAN DUDLEY, b. May 4, 1841; untraced.

But there must have been other chn., for my records show that I have solemnized the marriages of two certainly:—

MASON, EMELINE, dr. of Noah and Cynthia; m. *Frederick A. Mather;* cer. at Hop., Aug. 2, 1848. And

MASON, JAMES M., son of Noah and Cynthia; m. *Caroline A. Joslin;* cer. at Hopedale, May 29, 1856.

I regret that some one of this family did not heed my calls for a full record of its births, mges., and deaths.

Others of this name, mentioned in our directories, I am obliged to pass over in silence.

MATHER, JOHN, and wf. *Arvilla*, pedigree untraced, are credited with the following specified births:—

FREDERICK ALONZO, b. Dec. 5, 1825.

SAMUEL ALMON, b. April 5, 1828.

IMMOGENE, b. Jan. 29, 1830.

JEROME SCHOFIELD, b. March 10, 1832.

Helen Maria, b. July 1, 1836.

Lewis William, b. Oct. 13, 1838.

Nothing reported from any family relative, to enable me to complete this family record.

MATHEWSON, Stephen[4] (Otis,[3] Daniel,[2] John,[1] a descendant of James, who was among the earliest settlers in R.I.), b. Scituate, R.I., July 26, 1820; mr.'s maiden name, Marcelia Waterman; m., 1st, *Harriet Walker Day*, dr. of Loammi and Mary (Swetland) Day, b. Attleborough, May 3, 1819; cer. Attleborough, 1844, by Rev. Mr. Bailey. Their chn: —

Anna Augusta, b. Woonsocket, R.I., March 27, 1845; m. F. D. Howard, Sept. 23, 1863.

Frank Elwin, b. Woonsocket, R.I., July 28, 1848; m. Hattie Goldsmith, May 21, 1873.

William Augustus, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Sept. 25, 1850; m. Elizabeth Gilman, Nov. 3, 1871.

Frederick Day, b. Mil., Sept. 2, 1854; d. Jan. 19, 1858.

Charles F., b. Mil., Oct. 14, 1856; d. July 28, 1867.

Hattie Day, b. Mil., Jan. 30, 1861.

Mrs. Harriet d. in Mil., Jan. 8, 1875. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Louisa Daniels*, wid. of George T. Daniels, and dr. of Elijah and Mary (Laker) Brigham, b. in Fitchburg; cer. Holl., June 2, 1876, by Rev. Mr. Adams. No chn., and a short m. life with 2d hus. She d. of cancer, after a long and distressing sickness, Jan. 26, 1879.

Mr. Mathewson is a very enterprising business man as a baker, and one of our solid, trustworthy citizens. He appears to have come into town in 1854, perhaps earlier, and was for several yrs. co-partner with Alfred H. Hastings, until his death in 1873. Since that time he has carried on the bakery, 62 Central St., as sole proprietor, with increasing success and expansion. He now manufactures and distributes a large amount of bread, cake, pastry, and crackers, to hosts of customers in this and the neighboring towns. He has also become a frequent caterer to multitudes at public celebrations. Business and social standing good. The only Mathewsons in town are of his respectable family. Besides his sons and drs. he has the following named

Grandchn.: —

Emma E., Fred M., and Mabel F. Howard. See Frank D. Howard's family record.

Chn. of William A. and Elizabeth (Gilman) Mathewson; viz, —

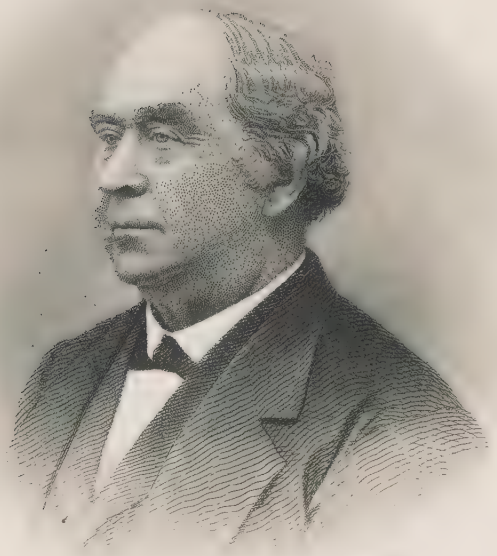
Rena, b. Mil., Aug. 2, 1873.

Stephen Allen, b. Holl., July 13, 1875; and

Florence, b. Holl., Aug. 9, 1877.

Frank E. and Hattie (Goldsmith) Mathewson had George Ernest, b. July 11, 1877; but he d. Feb. 13, 1879.

MAYHEW. Hon. Aaron C. Mayhew is the first of this name that became one of our citizens. He came from Hop., with empty but willing hands, in the yr. 1829, and entered into the service of the late Hon. Lee Claflin to learn the tanner's and currier's trade. With a resolute ambition and energetic will to achieve success in the world, he did so. Having mastered his trade, and m. a congenial helpmeet, he entered into partnership March, 1835, with David S. Godfrey, for the manufacture of leather, under the firm name of Godfrey & Mayhew. The firm soon commenced to manufacture boots and shoes. Their business grew and prospered. Mr. Godfrey having d., Mr. M. formed, in 1853,



Yours Truly

H. Hughes

a co-partnership for prosecuting the same line of business with George W. Howe and John S. Leland, under the firm name of A. C. Mayhew & Co. Leland d. in 1857; and Sullivan C. Sumner took his place in the firm, which, with slight changes, remained in continuous activity. Mr. M. was several yrs. president of the Milford Fire Insurance Co.; also has been vice-president, and on the investing committee of the Milford Savings Bank ever since its incorporation in 1851. He was made president of the Milford National Bank at its institution in 1854, and held that responsible position until his death. Meantime he was distinguished in civil and political life, as moderator of many town-meetings, selectman, rep. to Gen. Court two yrs., twice a State senator, a member of governor's council under Banks two yrs., on the state central committee of the Republican party for several yrs., and a presidential elector on the Grant and Wilson ticket in 1872. Such is the outline of his personal and public success, from the humble beginning whence he started.

His pedigree is also honorable. He placed in my hands certain old family documents and a genealogical tree, which, if I correctly understand them, make him a descendant of the celebrated Mayhews that distinguished themselves, in the early times of New England, as civilizers of the Indians, etc. Thomas Mayhew, with his son Thomas, came over from Eng. in 1631. He was immediately admitted a freeman, set. at Watertown, held numerous responsible civil offices, and finally, under a grant from the Earl of Sterling, was made superintendent of Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, and the adjacent islands, for the purpose of governing, civilizing, and Christianizing the Indians there. He left Watertown with a colony of whites for his domain, and his son Thomas as preacher to the Indians. This son d. when the fr. was 70 yrs. of age; and, finding it impossible to procure a successor who understood the language of the natives, he took his son's place, for between 20 and 30 yrs.; ministering till his death, at the advanced age of between 90 and 100 yrs. According to my understanding of the documentary authorities placed in my hands, I proceed to tabulate.

MAYHEW, JOHN, of Framingham[6] (John,[5] John,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), by wf. Hannah, had, —

HANNAH, b. Oct. 14, 1745; m. —— Reed; d. July 21, 1782.
JOHN, b. April 28, 1747; m. Abigail Cloyes, Dec. 15, 1774.
JONATHAN, b. March 14, 1749; d. Aug. 6, 1792.
MARY, b. Jan. 17, 1752; m. —— Gary; d. April 14, 1776.
The fr. d. May, 1766. Mrs. Hannah d. Feb. 25, 1787.

MAYHEW, JOHN[7] of Framingham, farmer (John,[6] John,[5] John,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 28, 1747; m. *Abigail Cloyes* of Framingham; cer. Dec. 15, 1774. Their chn.: —

JOHN, b. Dec. 24, 1775; m. Nancy Freeland, March 8, 1800.
WALTER, b. Feb. 22, 1782; d. unm., Framingham, Jan. 10, 1837.
MARY, b. July 22, 1787; d. unm., Mil., April 9, 1866.
ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 2, 1791; m. Amasa Kendall, Fram.; d. Nov. 3, 1867.
MARTIN, b. March 17, 1795; d. Fram., Sept. 14, 1867.
Mrs. Abigail d. March 9, 1825. The hus. and fr. d. Feb. 27, 1832.

MAYHEW, JOHN,[8] of Fram., farmer (John,[7] John,[6] John,[5] John,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 24, 1775; m. *Nancy Freeland*, dr. of Phineas Freeland, b. in Hop., Feb. 22, 1780; cer. Hop., March 8, 1800, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Chn.: —

SALLY, b. June 7, 1801; d. unm., Mil., March 5, 1873.

Aaron Claflin, b. July 22, 1812; m. Olivia Loring Sumner, April 23, 1834. John[8] d. Hop., Oct. 15, 1853. Mrs. Nancy d. Hop., Sept. 1, 1858.

MAYHEW, Aaron Claflin[9] (John,[8] John,[7] John,[6] John,[5] John,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 22, 1812; m. *Olivia Loring Sumner*, dr. of Ellis and Rhoda (Loring) Sumner, b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1812; cer. Mil., April. 23, 1834, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe of Hop., who also m. their parents on both sides. Chn.:—

Sarah Elizabeth, b. July 26, 1835; m. Sullivan C. Sumner, Oct. 7, 1857.

John Sumner, b. Feb. 11, 1843; m. Cora A. Hero, Dec. 20, 1864.

The foregoing had been written several months, and no one anticipated any thing but a long life for Mr. Mayhew, when suddenly he was stricken down by apoplexy, in the ripeness of his honors and usefulness, on Sunday morning, Sept. 26, 1880, a. 68 yrs. 2 mos. and 4 days. Thus, in an unexpected moment, widowhood threw its dark mantle over the wf. of his youth; his family were stricken with a mournful bereavement, and a wide-spread circle of private and public friends summoned in common sympathy to celebrate his obsequies. I presume that the following notice of his funeral, copied from "The Milford Journal" of Oct. 6, 1880, will be acceptable to the readers of this volume.

FUNERAL OF HON. A. C. MAYHEW.

"The funeral of Hon. Aaron C. Mayhew, which occurred at the Orthodox church last Thursday afternoon, commencing at 1 o'clock, was very largely attended; and the services were of an especially solemn and impressive nature. Very touching eulogies were paid the worth and life-work of the deceased by Revs. Dean and Ballou. The remains were enclosed in a full draped black broadcloth casket, silver-mounted, textile handles. The floral display was superior to any thing of the kind ever seen in town, and was arranged under the direction of J. Newman & Sons, florists, 7 Tremont St., Boston.

"The principal piece was contributed by the Milford National Bank, consisting of a large cross, with an anchor and harp, representing 'Faith, Hope, and Charity.' The base was composed of lilies and ferns. The cross was made of tube-roses arranged with Marshal Niel and souvenir roses; the anchor, tube-roses and heliotropes; harp, tube-roses, pinks, and bonsiline. The International Trust Company of Boston contributed a broken column and pillow, the latter bearing the words, 'Our President,' in red carnations, and composed of white roses, pinks, ferns, and tube-roses. The column was made of pinks, rose-buds, heliotropes, pansies, with callas at the base. Aaron Claflin contributed a cross of pansies, bearing a crown of roses. On a marble-top pedestal at the head of the casket, from Milford Savings Bank, was a pillow with the word 'Rest' in purple, and a crown surmounted with a small purple cross. It was made of tube and souvenir roses, trimmed with maiden-hair ferns. The centre of the pillow was made of pinks. Draper & Sons contributed a rich and chaste cross of real English ivy and souvenir roses, which was attached in front of the desk. The Home National Bank contributed a white pillow, trimmed with green ferns and smilax. The words 'We Loved Him' appeared in red carnations. 'A Friend' in Boston sent a wreath bearing the inscription: '1812 — A. C. M. — 1880.' Miss Greeley of Boston sent a sickle of tube-roses, pinks, and smilax, with a handle of pansies and wheat. John Erskine, of Clement, Colburn, & Co., sent a mound basket; Charles F. Claflin contributed a wreath; Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Thayer, an anchor.

"Mr. Mayhew's pew, No. 36, centre aisle, was unoccupied, and was draped.

In the centre was a bouquet of white lilies and asters, tied with smilax and white lace. This was from the Milford National Bank, and arranged by Miss Helen Pond.

"During the services the choir rendered the following: 'Sleep thy last sleep,' by Barnby; 'The Lord is my Shepherd,' by Clark; 'Come Unto Me,' by Gounod.

"The shoe and leather trade in Boston suspended business between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock, out of respect to the memory of the deceased; and in Milford, places of business and manufactories generally were closed.

"Among the many prominent gentlemen present from out of town, were the following: Ex-Gov. Talbot; Ex-Gov. Claflin; Gen. A. P. Martin, president N. E. Shoe and Leather Association; Charles A. Grinnell, ex-president of same association; Col. Henry Smith, vice-president of International Trust Company of Boston, and the directors of same; Hon. Charles R. Train of Boston; Hon. H. B. Staples of Worcester; Hon. Jonathan Wheeler of Grafton; Hon. James W. Clark of Framingham; Aaron Claflin, Esq., of New York; James A. Woolson of Boston; Joseph Walker of Newton; John Erskine of Boston; Charles W. Freeland of Boston; Hon. William Knowlton of Upton; Col. Albert Wood of Hopkinton; George M. Walker of Worcester; W. F. Claflin and Erastus Thompson of Hopkinton; W. F. Davenport of Boston; A. G. Greeley of Boston; B. D. Godfrey of Newton; Col. Lee of Boston; Maj. Allen of Abington; Horace Warren, Winthrop Faulkner, Luke Allen of Grafton."

MAYHEW, JOHN SUMNER[10] (Aaron C.,[9] John,[8] John,[7] John,[6] John,[5] John,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 11, 1843; m. *Cora Anna Hero*, dr. of Horace B. and Almira (Phipps) Hero, b. Mil., July 12, 1844; cer. at bride's parental residence, Dec. 20, 1864, by the writer. Issue: —

AARON HERO, b. May 19, 1867.

MABEL LOUISA, b. Aug. 5, 1871.

Few of the name Maynard have ever resided in town. Several of these have been but transient dwellers. The first that I recollect was, —

MAYNARD, EUSTICE, who m. *Cynthia Cushman*, a sister of our Smith Cushman; cer. April 12, 1827, by the writer. How long he dwelt here, and concerning the experiences of the family, I ought perhaps to have informed myself by inquiry, but have neglected to do so. There was also an Austin Maynard on our tax-lists at one time, and prob. some others, all of whom I leave untraced.

MAYNARD, Rev. LYMAN, was a more conspicuous man and citizen among us. He was a descendant of John Maynard, an early proprietor of Marlborough. He was first of Sudbury, and one of the 47 who shared in the division of Sudbury Meadows, in 1639. He set. in Marl. after the grant of lands there, in 1657. He left a numerous posterity. Rev. Lyman Maynard was in the Universalist ministry prior to 1824, when I first became acquainted with him. In 1831 he left the Universalists, with those of us who formed the Massachusetts Association of Restorationists. Before and after that Association was virtually dissolved, he preached several yrs. to Unitarian societies. After ceasing to be a settled minister, he took up his res. here, and engaged in the grocery trade. In 1854 he was commissioned as justice of the peace, and served for some yrs. as a special justice of our police-court. I tabulate his lineage thus: —

MAYNARD, HERVEY[4] (Daniel,[3] Daniel,[2] John[1]), b. Westboro', Dec. 17, 1767; m. *Relief Wallace*, New Braintree; cer. Nov. 21, 1790, by Rev. Daniel Foster. Their chn.: —

Daniel Foster, b. Chesterfield, N.H., Dec. 15, 1791; m. Polly Merrill.
Henry, b. Ashburnham, Mass., Feb. 13, 1795; m. Esther Guild.
Oren, b. Shrewsbury, Mass., Dec. 13, 1796; m. Huldah Alger.
Fanny, b. Shrewsbury, Mass., Nov. 13, 1799; untraced.
Lyman, b. Shrewsbury, Mass., Feb. 12, 1801; m. Elizabeth W. Macomber.
Relief, b. Holden, Mass., Sept. 29, 1802; m. Jona. Gith and S. Ruggles.
Horace, b. Templeton, Mass., May 21, 1804; m. Sophia Sanderson.
Lucy, b. Templeton, Mass., July 19, 1806; untraced.
Maria, b. Templeton, Mass., June 10, 1809; d. Templeton.

Mrs. Relief d. Templeton, Oct. 17, 1840. The hus. and fr. d. in Templeton, Oct. 11, 1851.

MAYNARD, Rev. Lyman[5] (Hervey,[4] Daniel,[3] Daniel,[2] John[1]), b. Shrewsbury, Feb. 12, 1801; m. *Elizabeth Wood Macomber*, dr. of Joel and Isabella (Wood) Macomber, b. Gardner, Feb. 5, 1803; cer. in Princeton, June 17, 1824, by Rev. Samuel Clarke. Their chn.: —

Caroline Frances, b. Medway, Nov. 28, 1827; m. Thomas E. Morse, 1847.
William Worrell, b. Oxford, Dec. 21, 1821; d. May 26, 1833.
Elizabeth Ann, b. Winchester, N.H., Aug. 22, 1833; d. Jan. 31, 1835.
Mary Elizabeth, b. Amherst, N.H., Oct. 12, 1835; m. William F. Spencer, 1858.
Henry Wayland, b. Amherst, N.H., Aug. 31, 1837; m. Delora Quimby, May 10, 1858.
Ann Isabella, b. Hingham, Mass., Jan. 29, 1840; m. John G. Mowry, Oct. 26, 1864.
George Lyman, b. Hingham, April 4, 1842; m. Harriet A. Carr, Oct. 2, 1865.
Ellen Eugenia, b. Needham, Dec. 20, 1844; m. Daniel P. Underwood, Feb. 15, 1872.

The birthplaces of these chn. indicate the places where the fr. was located as minister at different periods; viz., Medway, Oxford, Winchester, N.H., Amherst, N.H., Hingham, and Needham. He d. here, Oct. 8, 1862, and his wid., Oct. 31, 1872; both of hallowed memory. I ministered at their funerals.

MAYNARD, Henry Wayland[6] (Rev. Lyman,[5] Hervey,[4] Daniel,[3] Daniel,[2] John[1]), b. Amherst, N.H., Oct. 12, 1835; m. *Delora Quimby*, Bristol, Me., May 10, 1858; no further particulars given. I am not informed of his present res.

MAYNARD, George Lyman[6] (Rev. Lyman,[5] Hervey,[4] Daniel,[3] Daniel,[2] John[1]), b. Hingham, April 4, 1842; m. *Harriet Amanda Carr*, dr. of Peleg and Harriet Carr, b. Franklin, 1846; cer. Oct. 2, 1865, by the writer. Chn.: —

Edwin Forrest, b. Mil., March 15, 1859.
Frederic Orimandel, b. Feltonville, Aug. 26, 1861; Feltonville, now Hudson.

Mr. Maynard served in the late civil war. See the "War-Record." He is now a boot and shoe dealer, 144 Main St., firm Maynard & Hadley.

MEAD, John Sargent, son of Bradley and Charlotte (Hastings) Mead; ancestry no further given; b. Chesterfield, N.H., Feb. 13, 1825; m. *Caroline Parker Willard*, dr. of Paul and Sarah (Butler) Willard, b. Winchester, N.H., May 12, 1820; cer. in Winchester, N.H., March 11, 1846, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

Sarah Ella, b. Chesterfield, N.H., Dec. 19, 1846; d. in Mil., July 9, 1859.
Edward Bradley, b. Chesterfield, N.H., Sept. 10, 1848; m. Maria Arnold, Nov. 27, 1867.

Cornelia Maria, b. Chesterfield, N.H., April 30, 1852; d. Mil., Jan. 24, 1859.

John Larkin, b. Chesterfield, N.H., March 21, 1854; m. Callie A. Chapin, Oct. 11, 1876.

Carrie Willard, b. Mil., Nov. 27, 1857; m. Charles O. Prentice, Oct. 25, 1878.

Mr. Mead must have become one of our townsmen some 25 yrs. ago, or thereabouts. He has been an enterprising, driving business man, chiefly as a farmer, though sometimes combining therewith other pursuits. He has served his fellow-citizens at least five several terms on the board of selectmen, and received other town honors. His wf. and family have a respectable social standing.

MEAD, Edward Bradley, son of John S. and Charlotte (Hastings) Mead, b. Chesterfield, N.H., Sept. 10, 1848; m. *Maria Arnold*, dr. of James Arnold, Blackstone; cer. Nov. 27, 1867; no further particulars given. No chn. Mr. Mead is a thriving and well-patronized provision dealer at 33 Exchange St.

MEAD, John Larkin, son of John S. and Charlotte (Hastings) Mead, b. Chesterfield, N.H., March 21, 1854; m. *Callie Augusta Chapin*, dr. of Joel and Izanna (Hero) Chapin, b. Mil., Oct. 7, 1854; cer. under the parental roof, Oct. 11, 1876, by the writer. Issue thus far: —

Fred Leslie, b. Mil., March 15, 1877.

A promising beginning of family life. Mr. S. is a trustworthy, enterprising, and acceptable provision-dealer, near Main St.; house Chestnut, near Forest.

MEAD, Abraham, Esq., son of Abraham, native of Littleton, came into town in 1854. He was first an employé of Battle Bros., and afterwards of Underwood, Battles, & Bros. He was commissioned a justice of the peace by Gov. Banks, Feb. 7, 1860, and again by Gov. Bullock, Feb. 7, 1867. He was appointed special justice of our police-court, March, 1864. He m. *Mary Battles*, dr. of Jonathan and Meriah (Dickerman) Battles, b. 1820; date and particulars of cer. not found. They removed to Braintree over 12 yrs. ago. Whether they have had chn. b. to them, or what their experiences have been since leaving Mil., I am uninformed.

MELLEN. The Mellens were not among the very early settlers on our territory. They originated mostly in Hop. and Holl., whence they removed hither soon after the town's incorporation. Col. James Mellen, a veteran officer in the Revolutionary war, came from Hop. in the spring of 1784, purchased the Dr. William Jennison tavern-stand and estate, now owned by Obed Daniels, and set. thereon, with his wf. and five of his chn. He was a licensed innholder there in 1788, and perhaps for a few subsequent yrs. He was honored with various town offices, and remained an influential citizen here till about the year 1798, when he sold his place, bought one in Mendon, and removed thither. His homestead in Mendon was that afterwards owned by the Gaskills. — Samuel, Naum, etc.

MELLEN, Col. James[6] (Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. Hop., 1739; m. *Elizabeth Russell*, dr. of James Russell of Holl., a man of distinction there in his day. Another of his drs. m. Jonathan Russell of Providence (whether at all related, is not told), and became the mother of Hon. Jonathan Russell once of Mendon. The Col. was probably m. in Holl., perhaps in 1761 or 1762. I searched the Holl. records carefully to find the exact date, but in vain. The birth of their chn. gives the nearest indication, as follows: —

David, b. Hop. Aug. 17, 1763; studied medicine; set. Nassau, N.Y.

William, b. Hop., May 20, 1766; m. Lucretia Marsh, Nov. 8, 1791.

Mary, b. Hop., Jan. 10, 1768; m. Samuel Warren, jun., Mil., April 19, 1797.

Betsey, b. Hop., April 14, 1770; m. Rev. John Fiske, New Braintree, April 19, 1797.

Abigail, b. Hop., June 12, 1775; m. Samuel Penniman, Esq., Mil., 1804.

James, b. Hop., Oct. 28, 1780; m. Submit Wheelock, Mendon, Feb. 12, 1801.

So it seems that the fr. was a man of considerable family when the Revolutionary conflict opened. He was first a private in Capt. Jesse Eames's company, of Fram., 1775, and was probably at the battle of Lexington, though this is uncertain. He was a captain in Col. Ward's regiment at Bunker Hill. He soon after entered the Continental line of the army, and was commissioned major in the 21st regiment, 1776. He was promoted to be lieut-colonel in Col. James Wasson's regiment, Jan., 1777, stationed on the Hudson River, N. Y., and served faithfully in various responsible situations as lieut.-colonel 4 yrs., till honorably discharged, Jan. 1, 1781. He is said to have been an active officer when Major André was captured, tried, and hung as a spy; and to have carried Major André's earnest message to Gen. Washington, begging to be shot rather than hung. The only response of Washington was, "The laws of war forbid it." Like most of the Continental officers, Col. Mellen returned home from the war worn out in health, poor in property, and cheered only by wordy honors and promises of compensation never to be fulfilled. All this finally broke down his spirits. He became sore under a sense of his wrongs and the sickness of "hope deferred." His last days were those of a virtually insane man, breaking out into occasional wild freaks, which his friends could only lament and mitigate, but not prevent. He d. in Mendon, Sept. 27, 1812, a. 73 yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid., survived him some 18 yrs., and d. June 19, 1830, a. 90 yrs. (See their gravestones in Mendon old burying-ground.) It is proper to remark that I have gleaned up various statements concerning Col. Mellen, some of which were obviously erroneous, or irreconcilable with each other; but the above compendium of his life I believe to be substantially correct, though I have omitted facts and incidents, for want of space, which otherwise I would gladly have inserted.

MELLEN, Dr. David[7] (Col. James,[6] Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard, the ancestral immigrant[1]), b. Hop., Aug. 7, 1763; became a successful physician in Nassau and Hudson, N.Y.; m., 1st., *Jenny Ostrander*, by whom he had 1 son, James. This son became a public-spirited and somewhat distinguished citizen of Hudson. He was a leading projector and promoter of the Hudson & Berkshire Rail Rd., on which is a village named, in honor of him, *Mellenville*. Dr. David's 1st wife d. in Hudson; and he m., 2d., wid. Polly White of Uxbridge, Mass. She d. in 1857. He and his son James prosecuted profitably the dairy business for several yrs. They were fortunate proprietors, too, of "Dr. Anderson's celebrated Cough Drops." He d. in Hudson, date not given. Seek the posterity of his son James in Hudson, N.Y., or by inquiring of Geo. Mellon, Esq., New York City, No. 335 E. 16th St. He has been laboriously engaged on the Mellen Genealogy.

MELLEN, William[7] (Col. James,[6] Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. Hop., May 20, 1766; set. in Hudson, or the near vicinity of his bro., Dr. David; m. *Lucretia Marsh*, dr. of Dr. Perez Marsh, Dalton, Mass.; cer. Nov. 8, 1791; no other particulars. Their chn.:—

Patsey, b. May 17, 1793; d. Oct. 6, 1873.

Lovett Russell, b. April 17, 1795; d. April 14, 1866.
Louisa Billings, b. July 28, 1797; d. June 7, 1814.
Mary Warren, b. Sept. 2, 1800; d. Feb., 1878.
Martha Marsh, b. Jan. 13, 1803.
Harriet Lucretia, b. Jan. 15, 1805; d. Aug. 3 ensuing.
Christopher Marsh, b. July 23, 1806; d. July 6, 1852.
William Henry, b. Oct. 10, 1810.
Charlotte Sophia, b. Dec. 17, 1812.
John Stoddard, b. July 27, 1815.

William, the fr., was long capt. of a steamboat on the Hudson. He d. at Hudson, Jan. 11, 1826. Mrs. Lucretia, his wid., d. in Brooklyn, N.Y., Dec. 21, 1851. For further information, inquire of Geo. Mellon, Esq., as above.

MELLEN, James, Jun.[7] (Col. James,[6] Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. Hop., Oct. 28, 1780; m., 1st, *Submit Wheelock*, dr. of Jesse and Phebe Wheelock, b. in Mendon, Jan. 18, 1782; cer. Feb. 12, 1801, by Rev. Caleb Alexander. They dwelt at the north end of "Caleb's Hill," *alias* "Inman's Hill," in Mendon, for several yrs. Their chn.:—

Nathaniel R., b. Mendon, Aug. 19, 1801; m. Ruth C. Wales, No. Orange, Feb. 14, 1824.
David, b. Mendon, July 1, 1803; d. young.
Leonard, b. Mendon, April 10, 1806; m. Elizabeth S. Mayo, Mendon, March, 1834.
William, b. Mendon, Dec. 12, 1811; m., 1st, Elizabeth Odell; 2d, Charlotte Jackson.
Mary W., b. Mendon, Nov. 5, 1813; m. R. B. Shepard, Hudson, N.Y.
Babe, unnamed, b. Mendon, Dec. 30, 1815; d. in early infancy.
James, b. Mendon, Nov. 23, 1817; d. young.

Mrs. Submit d. in Mendon, Jan. 29, 1823. The hus. and fr. then left Mendon. He m., 2d, *Maria McKnight* of Spofford, N.Y., who bore him 1 child, and soon d. in Spofford. A dr.,—

Imogene, b. Spofford, N.Y., date not given; twice m.; trace lost.

Nathaniel Mellen, eldest son of James, jun., set. in Orange, and raised up a large family there. His descendants are presumed to be numerous in that and the neighboring towns. Leonard Mellen, third son of James, jun., lived a while in Mendon, and a short time in Mil. He finally set. on a farm in Hardwick, where he spent the last 33 yrs. of his life. He had 6 chn., and d. there Jan. 20, 1873. James Mellen, jun., the fr., d. at Orange, April 22, 1863.

Geo. Mellon, Esq., 335 E. 16th St., New York, opened a prolific correspondence with me, in furtherance of his genealogy of the Mellens, in the course of which he furnished me extensive data concerning Col. James Mellen and his descendants. The limitations of space and propriety allow me to use only a portion of his data. Perhaps some will think I have already transcended proper limits, but I thought myself justified in going thus far. If descendants or friends wish to trace the lineage of Col. James down to grand chn., gt. gn. chn., etc., I have above indicated their pathway of necessary research.

MELLEN, Henry[6] (Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), bap. in Hop. 1735; m., 1st, *Sarah Torrey* of Mendon, dr. of William and Susanna Torrey; date of cer. not ascertained. Their chn.:—

Susanna, bap. 1757; m. Thomas Morse of Westboro'.
Elizabeth, bap. 1760; m. Windsor Stone of Framingham.
Sarah, bap. 1762; m. Phineas Graves of various localities.

RUHAMAH, bap. 1765; m. James Battle of Hop., near Mil. line.

MARY, bap. 1767; m. Maj. Aaron Kinsman, and moved to Holland Purchase, N.Y., about 1807, where she d. 1857 or 8, a. 86 yrs. Her hus. d. there 7 or 8 yrs. previous.

ABIGAIL, bap. 1771; d. young.

HENRY, bap. 1773; m. Sarah Bugbee of Dorchester, Feb. 27, 1800; set. in Mil. 1809. Mrs. Sarah d. when her babe Henry was only a fortnight old. The hus. m., 2d, wid. *Jerusha Abbee*, whose maiden name was *Jerusha Burnap;* date and particulars of cer. not given. Their chn.: —

THOMAS, twin, b. 1775; m. Experience Briggs, and moved to the Western country.

RHODA, twin, b. 1775; m. Moses Chamberlain of Hop.

LYDIA, b. 1778; m. John Claflin, jun., 1798, and set. in Mil.

NANCY, b. 1781; m., 1st, Moses Cutler, Hop.; 2d, Col. Arial Bragg, Mil.

Mrs. Jerusha d., date not given; and the hus. m., 3d, the wid. *Hannah Turner* (maiden name *Bass*) of Medway; date and particulars of cer. not ascertained. No chn. The fr. d. quite suddenly, by falling out of his wagon, near the now Obed Daniels place, in Mil., March, 1813, a. 78 yrs. It will be seen that he was an elder bro. of Col. James Mellen, and the fr. of two conspicuous Mil. women, Mrs. John Claflin, Esq., and Mrs. Col. Arial Bragg; also, of Henry Mellen, jun., who spent nearly all his days in our town.

MELLEN, JOSEPH[6] (Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. Hop., date not found, youngest half-bro. of Col. James, mr. the wid. Wilson when m. to his fr.; res. much in Mil., and more or less in Holl.; m. *Sophronia* ——, ptge. and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Their chn.: —

MARY, b. 1802; m. Nathan Daniels; she d. 1861.

ELIZABETH, b. 1804; m. Joel Bixby; she still survives in Mil.

LOVETT, b. 1806; untraced.

THOMAS, b. 1808; m. Elizabeth R. Martin.

ADALINE, b. 1810; m. Isaac S. Claflin; she d.

FANNY, b. 1812; m. Elihu Chenery; she d. 1861.

JAMES, b. 1814; untraced.

JERUSHA, b. 1816; m. William Batchelder.

GILBERT, b. 1818; untraced.

SARAH, b. 1820; untraced.

JULIA, b. 1822; m. Charles Dane.

JANE, b. 1824; untraced.

Mrs. Sophronia d. in Mil., Nov. 7, 1842, a. 61 yrs. The hus. and fr. d. in this general vicinity, 1859. Worthy people, as reported to me from those who knew them.

MELLEN, HENRY, Jun.[7] (Henry,[6] Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. in Hop., 1773; came young to res. in Mil.; m. *Sarah Bugbee*, dr. of Daniel Bugbee; b. in Dorchester, date not ascertained; cer. in Mendon, Feb. 27, 1800, by Rev. Caleb Alexander. Their chn.: —

ABIGAIL H., b. Hop., 1800; m. Luther Whiting of Sutton; both d.

SARAH, b. Hop., 1802; m. Almanza Tufts of Boston, 1825; both d.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Hop., 1804; m. Zurvilla G. Johnson of Worcester, 1820; both d.

MARY, b. Hop., 1806; m. Abner Waters of Sutton; both d.

The family removed to Mil. 1809.

HENRY, b. Mil., May 15, 1809; m. Charlotte R. Robbins, June 5, 1836.

SAMUEL, b. Mil., May 7, 1811; d. in infancy.

CLARISSA, b. Mil., Dec. 4, 1812; unm.; res. in Washington City, D.C.

JOHN BUGBEE, b. Mil., May 13, 1815; m., 1st, Angeline Daniels; 2d, Sally Thayer.

Mr. Mellen res. many yrs. in So. Mil. on the place now owned by Albert W. Ham. Mrs. Sarah d. April 10, 1841. Mr. Mellen d. 1847. George Washington Mellen set. in Great Barrington. There his wf. d. in 1868, and he in 1879. He has two chn., a son and a dr., surviving there, the son bearing his own name.

Henry Mellen and wf., who were of Cincinnatus, N.Y., res. in Montville, Mass. They have a son and dr. there. Mrs. Whiting, the eldest dr., has 1 dr. surviving, — Mrs. A. B. Harvey in Providence, R.I. Mrs. Sarah Tufts left 2 sons, — Samuel P. Tufts of Centralia, Ill., and W. H. Tufts of Washington, D.C, Mrs. Mary Waters left an only dr., who res. in Hartford, Ct., — Mrs. Geo. Gouge. Clarissa makes her home with W. H. Tufts, her nephew. Deemed respectable people of the substantial rank in useful life.

MELLEN, JOHN BUGBEE[8] (Henry,[7] Henry,[6] Thomas,[5] Henry,[4] Thomas,[3] Simon,[2] Richard[1]), b. Mil., May 13, 1815, m., 1st., *Angeline Daniels*, dr. of Lebbeus and Sukey (Penniman) Daniels, of Mendon; cer. Mendon, 1837, by Rev. Thomas Edwards. Their chn.: —

JOHN BUGBEE, Jun., b. Mil., June 29, 1839; res. with his fr. in Mendon.

DAVID DANIELS, b. Mendon, April 15, 1842; d. Hartford, Ct., 1863.

Mrs. Angeline d. Nov. 4, 1842. The hus. m., 2d, *Sally Thayer* of Blackstone, dr. of Nahum and Mercy (Daniels) Thayer; cer. at the "Orthodox Parsonage," Mendon, 1845, by Rev. Andrew Reed. No chn. The family has res. in Mendon for the last 36 yrs. The worthy hus. and fr. was stricken down by paralysis July 8, 1877, and has remained helpless as a child, now over 4 yrs. unable to move himself, — a remarkable case, which appeals deeply to the sympathy of all his relatives and friends. May it flow generously into his afflicted home, with many sustaining blessings from heaven.

MELLEN, REV. WILLIAM ROLAND GRENVILLE, ancestry not traced, but presumed to belong to the foregoing general lineage; Unitarian clergyman, res. Toronto, Canada, and was at one time pastor of the Mil. Universalist Society; b. in Phillipston, Mass., Jan. 29, 1822; m. *Diana Parkhurst Nelson*, dr. of Ezra and Polly (Parkhurst) Nelson, b. in Mil., Jan. 28, 1818; particulars of cer. asked for, but not given. Their chn.: —

CAROLINE NELSON, b., place not given, Dec. 19, 1845; m. Robt. B. Ridgley; she d. 1876.

ISABEL AUGUSTA, b., place not given, Oct. 23, 1847; m. Willard F. Parker Detroit, Mich.

ELIZABETH FLORENCE, b., place not given, April 19, 1849.

I should have been glad to present a more specific record of this family, and made anxious inquiries in relation thereto, but, for some reason, was favored only with what I have given.

Doubtless there were several Mellens who transiently res. in town, but I believe I have been sufficiently inclusive and particular. I will, however, add one more name, from our town record of deaths, which I leave untraced.

MELLEN, ABIGAIL, d. in Mil., Jan. 9, 1830, a. 90 yrs.

MERRIFIELD, AARON, son of Joseph and Hannah (Hill) Merrifield; b. in Holl., Oct. 28, 1738; m. *Elizabeth Robinson*, dr. of Ichabod and Ruth (Merriam) Robinson, b. in our Precinct, June 1, 1746; cer. April 17, 1766, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Abner, b. Dec. 13, 1766.
Aaron, b. Dec. 23, 1769.
Moses, b. March 22, 1772.
Betsey, b. Feb. 22, 1774.
Polly, b. Jan. 23, 1776.
Cyrus, b. June 15, 1778.
David, b. Sept. 17, 1780.
Sally, b. Feb. 15, 1783.

Aaron Merrifield came from Holl. He bought the Dea. Abijah French farm, on now Prospect St., of John Hill, Feb. 23, 1769. It has since been known as the Elihu Perry place, etc. Perry purchased it of Merrifield, perhaps not far from 1790; soon after which, I suppose, Merrifield rem. to some other locality. The only intimation of that locality is given in a quitclaim deed of a meeting-house pew to Elijah Thayer, dated Oct. 3, 1792. He and his wf. purported, at that date, to be of Newfane, Vt. Family no further traced.

MERRIFIELD, Marcus, and wf. *Juda*, are credited on our records with the birth of 1 son here; viz., —

Austin, b. Aug. 14, 1808. Whence these parents came, or whither they went, I get no clew. Prob. they were from Holl.

MESSINGER. We have had a few families of this name, some of whom dwelt on our borders, and were partially connected with the old Precinct institutions, and other townsfolk.

MESSINGER, Samuel, and wf. *Catherine (Brown) Messinger*, of Holl., in the vicinity of what is now called Braggville, were recd. into our Cong. ch., June 4, 1758, and several of their chn. were bap. here. I give below their chn. and gd. chn., as furnished me by my friend Alfred Bragg. I simply copy his record, adding a few baptisms from Rev. Mr. Frost's memoranda.

Olive, b. 1758; bap. Oct. 1, 1758, by Frost; single; d. Oct. 25, 1847.
Joel, b. 1760; bap. July 13, 1760, by Frost.
Julietta, b. 1762; bap. June 13, 1762, by Thurston; m. Barak Bullard; she d. Dec. 18, 1839.
Henry, b. 1765; bap. Feb. 24, 1765; d. March 27, 1790.
Joseph, b. 1767; single.
Laban, b. 1769; d. Feb. 13, 1846.
Samuel, Jun., b. 1772; m. Olive Chase; he d. March 5, 1856.
Roswell, b. 1775.
Charles, b. 1778; single; d. Feb. 5, 1835.

Death-date of the hus. and fr. not given. Mrs. Catherine, the wf. and mr., b. 1741; d. 1831, a. 90 yrs.

From all I have incidentally heard, this must have been a meritorious family.

MESSINGER, Samuel, Jun.[2] (Samuel[1]), b. 1772; m. *Olive Chase;* inherited, I infer, the patrimonial homestead in Holl. near our north-eastern corner. Their chn.: —

Edward C., b. 1802; d. 1866.
Alfred, b. 1803.
Charles Octavius, b. 1806.
Julietta, b. 1808; d. Dec. 18, 1809.
Catherine B., b. 1810; m. William H. Smith, Sept. 30, 1832.
Hannah G., b. 1812; m. Dennis Hartshorn.
Joel A., b. 1815; d. June 10, 1871.

MARY I., b. 1817; d. July 8, 1854.
SARAH, b. 1819.
HENRY, b. 1821.

These data are in some respects too meagre for my liking, and I have little personal knowledge wherewith to enrich them. If I had more of such knowledge, I have reason to think I might give a creditable report of the family merits, as well as of their biography. No death-dates of the parents are given.

MESSINGER, WILLIAM, and wf. *Zarina*, pedigree unknown to me, are credited on our records with the birth of one dr.; viz., —

HARRIET AMANDA, b. Dec. 22, 1825.

MESSINGER, DANIEL EDWARD[7] (John,[6] John,[5] John,[4] Rev. Henry[3] of Wrentham, Thomas,[2] Henry[1] from Eng., the ancestral immigrant, who set. in Boston), b. in South Mendon, now Blackstone, Jan. 31, 1826; machinist; mr.'s maiden name, Sarah Darling; m. *Eliza Carter Nichols*, dr. of Ephraim and Betsey (Woods) Nichols, b. in Leominster, Nov. 2, 1823; cer. in Leominster, Oct. 31, 1848, by Rev. Matthew E. Hawes of Fitchburg. Issue: —

HANNAH AMANDA, b. Uxbridge, Sept. 1, 1849; m. George A. Jones, Sept. 1, 1869; res. So. Boston; 2 chn.

CHARLES HENRY, b. Hopedale, Oct. 10, 1851; m. Mary McGregor Friend, Dec. 4, 1873; res. Hopedale.

ADIN AUGUSTUS, b. Hopedale, Sept. 13, 1853; m. Flora Freeman, Oct. 12, 1881; res. Hopedale.

LYMAN BERNARDO, b. Hopedale, Feb. 24, 1856; newspaper reporter, etc.

DANIEL EDWARD, Jun., b. Hopedale, Sept. 13, 1860; machinist, etc.

MARY ELLEN, b. Hopedale, Feb. 5, 1868; res. with her now widowed mr. *Grandchn.*: —

GEORGE HERMAN JONES, son of George A. and H. Amanda, b. Hopedale, June 1, 1870.

ERNEST WELLROSE JONES, son of George A. and Hannah Amanda, b. Hopedale, March 5, 1873.

Mr. Messinger and wf. res. briefly, first after mge., in Uxbridge; next came to Hopedale in 1852; became members of the Community; dwelt several yrs. in the "Old House," where their 4 sons were b.; later, resigned their membership; and he went to the war. He served 3 yrs. in Co. A, 1st Regt. Mass. Cavalry, as a private under Capt. H. Pelham Curtis. He served with his co. full time, and was discharged Nov. 7, 1864. He participated in numerous engagements, several of which are specified in the "War-Record of the Rebellion," Chap. VIII., which see, under his name. He was a patriotic, industrious, peaceable, intelligent, kind-hearted man, deservedly respected in all the relations of life. His wf. shared sympathetically in his exemplary qualities, his sentiments, and the various vicissitudes of his fortune. With the exception of a comparatively brief interval of domestic residence in the Centre, their home has been in Hopedale since 1852. His health grew more and more precarious after his return from the war; but his habits of industry kept him busy at his shop-work almost to the last. He d. rather suddenly, Aug. 21, 1880, much respected and lamented by his family, and all who knew his worth. He received honorable burial, civic, military, and religious.

METCALF. We have had few of this name on our territory, although the race has been numerous in the neighboring towns, especially in those of Norfolk Co. Jabez Metcalf appears to be the first of the name that gained inhabitancy

here. He came from Bell. with wf. Elizabeth and 4 chn. in 1784. The Metcalfs claim a traditional antiquity running back to A.D. 1312. Their tradition is as follows: —

"On a certain day his majesty, King James of England, with many lords and gentlemen, were in his majesty's park, where was a wild *bull* that they feared to encounter with; but, when he encountered with Mr. John Armstrong, he was killed with his fist: and, when Armstrong came to his majesty, says he to Mr. Armstrong, 'Have you seen the mad bull?' — 'And please your majesty,' said he, 'I met a calf, and knocked him down, and killed him with my fist;' which, when it was known to be the *bull*, Mr. Armstrong was honored with many and great honors. And, in token of this notable exploit, he was made knight; and his *name* was changed to *Metcalf;* which exploit was in A.D. 1312, Chelmsford, Essex Co., England." [Copied from Dr. William Pitts Metcalf's "Manuscript Genealogy of the Metcalfs."] Whatever of truth there may be in this story, the date must be wrong, or the name of the king; for Edward II. was on the throne in 1312, and James I. began his reign in 1603. It will, however, strain most people's credulity to believe that Mr. Armstrong's fist was powerful enough to stun and kill such a "*calf.*"

Michael Metcalf of Norwich, Norfolk Co., Eng., fled from persecution there, and reached Boston with his wf. and 9 chn. about midsummer, 1637. He was admitted freeman in Dedham, July 14, the same yr. From him, I suppose, all our New Eng. Metcalfs have descended. Among these are our few Mil. Metcalfs.

METCALF, JABEZ[6] (John,[5] Jonathan,[4] Eleazer,[3] Michael,[2] Michael[1]), b. prob. Bell., 1747; m. *Elizabeth Tenney* in 1775; came to Mil., 1784. Their chn., brought with them from Bell., were, —

FANNY, JABEZ, ARBAN, and LEMUEL; no birth-dates given.

FISHER, b. here, Feb. 3, 1787. The family removed to New-York State.

METCALF, RICHARD M.[7] (David,[6] John,[5] Michael,[4] Eleazer,[3] Michael,[2] Michael[1]), b. Aug. 2, 1803; mr.'s maiden name, Esther Scott; came to Mil. as early as 1825, certainly; m. *Aurilla (Allen) Addison*, dr. of Henry Allen, April 8, 1809; her mr. perished in the Nathan Parkhurst fire, 1814; cer. March 18, 1830, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

ESTHER SCOTT, b. Aug. 30, 1831; m. George B. Colburn, March 15, 1854. Richard Metcalf d. Aug. 6, 1862. Mrs. Aurilla d. Jan. 11, 1879.

METCALF, CHARLES[8] (Willard,[7] William H.,[6] James,[5] Michael,[4] Eleazer,[3] Michael,[2] Michael[1]), b. in Franklin, Nov. 22, 1810; mr.'s maiden name, Lucy Allen; m. *Eliza Cook*, dr. of Reuben and Esther (Holbrook) Cook, b. in Bell., Sept. 4, 1811; cer. in Mendon, March 26, 1838, by the writer. Chn.: —

CHARLES HENRY, b. Mendon, Jan. 13, 1839; m. Nancy M. Carpenter, Dec. 4, 1867.

GEORGE ALLEN, b. Mendon, July 27, 1840; m. Ada J. Bullard, Nov. 11, 1868.

Industrious, economical, worthy people. Mrs. Eliza d. Oct. 10, 1862; and the hus. has since remained single. He is a farmer, and res. 37 Jefferson St.

METCALF, CHARLES HENRY[9] (Charles,[8] Willard,[7] William H.,[6] James,[5] Michael,[4] Eleazer,[3] Michael,[2] Michael[1]), b. Jan. 13, 1839; m. *Nancy Marion Carpenter*, dr. of Seth P. and Diana (Barber) Carpenter, b. March 19, 1847; cer. Dec. 4, 1867, by the writer. Chn.: —

GARDNER BARBER, b. in Mil., Sept. 13, 1868.

CHARLES ELMER, b. in Mil., Aug. 31, 1869.

ALTON H., b. in Mil., July 25, 1872.

Of good report; res. 37 Jefferson St.

METCALF, GEORGE ALLEN [9] (Charles,[8] Willard,[7] William H.,[6] James,[5] Michael,[4] Eleazer,[3] Michael,[2] Michael [1]), b. July 27, 1840; m. *Ada J. Bullard*, dr. of Josiah and Lucy A. (Greeley) Bullard of Mil.; cer. Nov. 11, 1868, by the writer. Chn.: —

FRANK E., b. Mil., 1869.

BLANCHE E., b. Worcester, 1875; present res. Worcester.

MINGO, ROBIN (perhaps diminutive of Robert), originally, as I presume, a negro slave. I am not certain who he was; but I conjecture, from an entry in Rev. Mr. Frost's record of baptisms, that he was the son of one Prudence Williams, a servant, *alias* slave, of one Jonathan Williams, who at some time res. in our Precinct. The entry purports, that Prudence Williams (negro), servant of Jonathan Williams, was bap. and received into the ch., Sept. 29, 1776; also that, on the same day, "her boy, Mingo," was bap. No Christian name is put down, but only "Mingo." It seems prob. that this was our "Robin Mingo." Doubtless he was then a somewhat grown-up "boy;" for it is recorded among our early marriages, that ROBIN MINGO and *Margaret Sweeten* (negroes), both of Mil., were m. Nov. 28, 1787, by Amariah Frost, Esq. I find no chn. recorded to them. Robin was duly elected hogrieve, like other grooms, soon after mge. He was taxed, but was so poor that the town voted to forego payment. He d. Feb. 22, 1798. No more told.

MIDDLETON, ROBERT, and wf. *Lucy*, pedigree untraced, are credited with the following specified births: —

ELIZABETH, b. May 5, 1838; HANNAH MARIA, b. Nov. 14, 1840; and DAVID, b. April 27, 1843. Family no further traced.

MIDDLETON, JONATHAN, son of Jonathan and Mary (Jourdan) Middleton, b. in Needham, 1830; m., 1st, *Caroline M. Claflin*, dr. of William and Mary Claflin, b. Medway, 1832; cer. Hopedale, Dec. 3, 1856, by the writer. Mrs. Caroline d. May 14, 1861. The hus. m., 2d, *Susan E. Fairbanks*, dr. of Pliny and Chloe Fairbanks, b. Holl., 1838; cer. Hopedale, Aug. 5, 1862, by the writer. Issue not reported.

MILLER, WILLIAM P., superintendent of Pine-grove Cemetery, and florist, res. in Mil. since 1844; reports himself the son of Peter and Lucy (Richardson) Miller, b. in Boston; m., 1st, *Abby Noyes*, dr. of Asa and Mary (Judkins) Noyes, b. in Norway, Me.; cer. in Lowell, by Rev. Mr. Thayer. Issue: —

LUCY A., b. Lowell; m. Elbridge G. Moore of Raymond, N.H.

MARY M., b. Billerica; d. in Mil.

WILLIAM H., b. Lowell; d. in Mil.

GEORGE W., b. Mil.; d. in Mil.

ABBY A., b. Mil.; d. in Mil.

Mrs. Abby, the mr., d. here in 1876. The hus. m., 2d, *Ellen M. Albro*, b. in New York. Mr. M. closes the above-returned family report thus: "As I am not a native of Mil., this is particular enough to record." My worthy friend must pardon me for saying I should have been greatly obliged to him for a few more dates and specifications, and no less especially so on account of his not being a *native*. Mr. M. has long officiated admirably as superintendent of Pine-grove Cemetery; and all who visit that beautiful depository of the dead will be

delighted to see, that, however omissive he may be as a genealogist, he is a model florist.

MILLER, ASA P., son of Asa R. and Hannah T. (Pierce) Miller, b. Westborough, Oct. 1, 1820; bootmaker; m. *Ellen M. Clark*, dr. of Abel and Amanda (Albee) Clark, b. Mil., 1831; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 1, 1848, by the writer. Issue:—

MIRIAM L., b. Mil., Feb. 18, 1850.
ALBERT H., b. Mil., Oct. 1, 1851.
WALTER S., b. Mil., Sept. 5, 1852; d. a. 3 yrs.
ALICE M., b. Auburn, Me., Dec. 19, 1854; d. Sept. 29, 1878.
ADDIE A., b. Mil., July 20, 1858.
SARAH J., b. Westboro', Jan. 21, 1861.
CHESTER C., b. Westboro', May 27, 1863.
NETTIE F., b. Medway, Feb., 1864; d. Feb. 21, 1876.
WILLIE C., b. Mil., Jan. 28, 1868.
LILLIE M. } (twins), b. Mil., March 10, 1870.
ROSIE E. }
ASA P., Jun., b. Mil., Jan. 3, 1874.

Here is a modern family, worthy, in numbers, and I trust in quality, of our prolific ancestors. It will be seen, by noting the different birth-places, that Mr. Miller and wf. have res. in Mil., Auburn, Me., Westboro', and Medway, according, I presume, to the convenience and usefulness of business.

Miriam L. was m. to John J. Odiorne, in Chelsea, June, 1872. They have 2 chn.; viz., Georgie and Effie.

Alice M. was m. to Silas Bradford, in Mil., Sept. 12, 1874, by the writer, and, when she d., left 2 chn.; viz., Anna and Nettie F.

Albert H. was m. in Florida, March, 1878; no further particulars given.

MONTAGUE, FRANCIS DENSMORE, pronounces his name in two syllables, as if written *Montaag*, son of Noahdiah and Catherine (Davis) Montague, b. in Grafton, June 10, 1818; m. *Olive Thayer Howard*, dr. of Abijah and Margery W. (Gould) Howard, b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1816; cer. April 6, 1843, by Rev. D. Long. No chn. A worthy pair, of many commendable qualities in domestic, social, and humanitary life. Mr. M. says his gd. fr., Medad Montague, sowed the first bushel of rye in the town of Montague. He further says that his mr., who was b. in Holden, was gd. dr. of the first minister in that town, a Rev. Mr. Davis; and that his middle name (Densmore) comes down from a Welch ancestry through the Davis lineage. He has the tradition that two bros. of the Montague name came from the north of Eng., one of whom set. in Hadley, and the other in Montague. He says he descends from the latter, and Benjamin H. (in the record below) from the former. I cannot verify this without more research than I have time for. Mr. M. has occupied the position of boot-shop supt., click, etc. He has res. in town mostly since his mge., and now dwells on So. Main St., in what was at one time called Howardtown.

MONTAGUE, BENJAMIN HEYWOOD[6] (Elijah,[5] Eld. Elijah,[4] Richard,[3] John,[2] Richard from Eng.[1]), pronounces his name in three syllables, Mon-ta-gue; mr.'s maiden name Theodotia Rowe; b. Worcester, May 16, 1831; m., 1st, *Lydia R. R. Marcy*, dr. of Marvin and Christiana (Rogers) Marcy, b. in Cambridge, Dec. 14, 1831; cer. in Boston, Jan. 31, 1853, by Rev. C. A. Bartol. Mrs. Lydia d. childless, Dec. 18, 1856. The hus. m., 2d, *Emily Augusta Onion*, dr. of Jonathan and Betsey (Jenks) Onion, b. Dec. 26, 1840; cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 1, 1859, by the writer. Issue:—

Albert Burnside, b. Mil., July 4, 1866.
Clifford Dwight, b. Mil., July 9, 1874.

Mr. M. inherited heroic patriotism from his progenitors, one of whom was a major in the Revolutionary war. He was among the bravest of our Mil. volunteers in the late civil war, won laurels by his valor, and came home crippled for life in one arm, sacrificed for the Union. See his name in the "War-Record of the Rebellion," Chap. VIII. He stands well among his Masonic brethren, as in general society; and he has a congenial family of corresponding worth. He is a trusted citizen, has served the public as constable, and in other offices, and latterly as the courteous janitor of our town-house. He res. 24 Fruit St.

MORGAN, Henry Edwin[8] (Edwin,[7] Daniel,[6] Daniel,[5] Daniel,[4] James,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. Griswold, Ct., March 8, 1841; druggist; mr.'s maiden name Alathea Frazier; m. *Mary Jane Corbett*, dr. of Maj. John and Almira (Parkhurst) Corbett, b. Mil., Sept. 5, 1841; cer. Mil., Oct. 3, 1867, by Rev. G. L. Demarest. Issue: —

Clarence Henry, b. April 9, 1869.
James Lester, b. June 4, 1871.
Frank Carlton, b. April 1, 1873.
Alice Florence, b. Jan. 7, 1881.

Mr. Morgan is a descendant, in the 8th gen., from James Morgan, b. in Wales, Gt. Britain, 1607. I learn this and his full lineage from the "Morgan Genealogy. A History of James Morgan of New London, Conn., and his descendants, from 1607 to 1869." From this work it appears that Henry E. has behind him a very reputable ancestry. He maintains the honor of his pedigree by many meritorious characteristics. Just when he came into town from the "land of steady habits," he does not tell me in his reported family record; but it was in his early youth, I suppose. I first knew him as clerk and salesman in the apothecary store of Leonard J. Wilson, several yrs. prior to his mge. Since he set up among us as a druggist, he has gradually risen to creditable distinction in his calling and as a useful citizen. Meantime Mrs. Morgan, his intelligent and enterprising wf., has distinguished herself as a devotee of kindergarten education. I asked her to furnish me a brief account of her operations in this behalf. This she did, about two yrs. ago, as follows: —

"In the year 1873 I became interested in the new system of education for young children. At the same time I visited Miss Peabody, the prime mover of it in this country, and Mrs. Horace Mann. They invited me to their kindergarten, and kindly imparted so much information on Froebel's method, that I saw the utility and necessity of establishing one in my own town. Not foreseeing many difficulties, I went to work, like most of the followers of that great educational reformist, Froebel, resolved, during my active life, to abide by his motto, 'Come, let us live with our children.' One cannot have a *garten* without a *kinder*, any more than one could have a flower-garden without the flowers. The first thing I did was to plant the children; and, through the instrumentality of Miss Peabody, I secured the services of a lady from Washington, D.C., who opened my kindergarten with success. But as she could only remain through her vacation, I was obliged to hire another teacher, who, unfortunately for me, did not understand Froebel's system. So the wished-for kindergarten was converted into a common private school for that year. During the next long vacation another kindergartener was secured, who had graduated at the regular training-class, but who, like the other one, could remain only through her vacation. I then plainly saw that the educational work I had planned must

be given up entirely, or I must learn the new system myself. Consequently I secured the services of the same teacher the second year, and, in the mean time, was admitted to the Froebel Class, and graduated, receiving my diploma at the Boston Training Kindergarten in 1876. In the fall of the same year I hired a lady to assist me to open a true kindergarten, together with a primary class. This proved a complete success, no change of teachers having been made for the last four years. The whole number of children registered in kindergarten, 75. The average whole number during the year, 50. Whole number registered since the birth of the school, 95."

I sincerely regret to add, that, since the above communication was received, Mrs. Morgan has experienced a series of very painful and trying afflictions, mental and physical, from which she has hardly yet emerged. I sympathized deeply with her, her hus., family relatives, and real friends, as I learned, from stage to stage, the nature and bitterness of these calamities. May the gracious All-Father bring her out of the furnace like gold seven times purified.

A few other Morgans have transiently dwelt in town, but I need not specify names and particulars imperfectly at my command.

MORSE. Our Morses have not been numerous. I suppose them all to have descended from Samuel Morse of Dedham, b. in Eng., 1585. He came to New Eng. in 1635, set. in Dedham 1637, and d. at Medfield, April 5, 1654. Our first citizen of this name was, —

MORSE, NATHANIEL[4] (Nathaniel,[3] Daniel,[2] Samuel[1]), b. in Sherborn, 1682; m., 1st, *Mary Lovett*, dr. of James and Hannah Lovett of Mendon, an elder sister of Ebnr. and Joseph Sumner's wives; cer. Dec. 31, 1703, prob. by Rev. Grindall Rawson. Just when he came from Mendon town-seat to our Centre I have not ascertained, but it must have been previous to 1730. His homestead comprised at the outset 100 acres or more. It extended from Congress St., south-eastwardly, to Charles River; bounding north-easterly on the old Burying-Ground, Spruce St., behind the Heater, and Main St., to below the Town Common. Its south-westerly boundary prob. ran with Exchange St., and thence in the same direction to the river. He was a cooper by trade, and apparently a man of moderate enterprise; as he seemed to have eaten up several parcels of his farm, most of which were absorbed by his prosperous nephew, Daniel Sumner. His domicile was on or near that of the late Ziba Thayer, previously occupied by Dr. G. D. Peck, and before him by Abner Wight. He and his wf. Mary were recd. into the Cong. ch. here in 1755; their dr. Joanna in 1744. His chn.: —

JAMES, b. in Mendon, June 22, 1707; no further traced; prob. d. young,

RACHEL, b. in Mendon, date not found; no further traced.

JOANNA, b. date not found; m. Peter Norcross, July 21, 1748.

I have discovered no other names of chn. Mrs. Mary d. Oct. 25, 1758. The hus. m., 2d, *wid. Sarah Hayward;* cer. Sept. 9, 1762, by Rev. A. Frost. Mrs. Sarah d. Aug. 26, 1767. The hus. d. May 23, 1768.

MORSE EDMUND, Esq.[5] (Samuel,[4] Jonathan,[3] Daniel,[2] Samuel[1]), b. in Sherborn, perhaps the part afterwards Holl., 1695; m. *Rachel Sheffield*, dr. of William and Hannah (Bullard) Sheffield, b. Oct. 12, 1702; cer. May 4, 1722. They moved to our Centre, and remained some yrs. Chn.: —

BEULAH, b. March 4, 1723; m. Phinehas Lovett, Dec. 22, 1742.

RACHEL, b. June 8, 1725; untraced.

MARGARET, b. Feb. 22, 1728–9; d. Oct. 4, 1740.

WILLIAM, b. Oct. 23, 1733; d. Jan. 31, 1735–6.

ELIZABETH, b. March 9, 1737; d. Sept. 21, 1740.

WILLIAM, b. April 28, 1746; untraced.

The parents were recd. into ch. here, Dec. 3, 1749. I understand the hus. to have been justice peace, and perhaps general scrivener. Just where he dwelt, I am not certain, but near the Parish Common. He took out license as innholder in 1738–40, but only as retailer in 1741, and then as innholder 1742–43. He may have been some sort of a shopkeeper for a time. I think I have been informed that he finally returned with his family to Holl., where, perhaps, they died.

MORSE, Dea. JAMES[6] (Henry,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Medway, Sept. 5, 1742; m. *Hannah Daniels*, b. June 25, 1741; cer. July 9, 1759. They res. much in Medway, but several yrs. in Mil. Their chn.:—

OBADIAH, b. 1761; d. Nov. 28, 1766.

JOHN, Rev. A.M., b. March 24, 1763; clergyman; set. in sev. places; m. Clarissa Sanford.

HENRY, Dea., b. April 25, 1766; m., 1st, Eleanor Clark; 2d, Betsey Taft; 3d, Esther Whitney.

RUTH, b. Aug. 15, 1768; m. Joel Hayward, Mil., May 8, 1788.

RHODA, b. Aug., 1768.

POLLY, b. Nov. 14, 1769; m. Daniel Elliot, Sutton, May 10, 1797.

CATHERINE, m. Nathan Fletcher, Mil.

Dea. James is said to have been puny in body, but of capable and executive mind. He d. June 19, 1808. Mrs. Hannah lived 20 yrs. longer, and d. May 14, 1829, a. 88 yrs. Their remains slumber together in So. Mil. Cemetery.

MORSE, THOMAS E.[8] (Adam,[7] Asa,[6] Henry,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Canton, Sept. 16, 1822; m. *Caroline F. Maynard*, dr. of Rev. Lyman and Elizabeth Wood (Macomber) Maynard, b. in Medway, Nov. 28, 1827; cer. in Dennis, Dec. 14, 1847, by Rev. Lyman Maynard. Offspring:—

ELLA J., b. in Needham, April 18, 1851; m. to Henry J. Bailey, Mil., Jan. 10, 1872; cer. by Rev. G. L. Demarest. One granddr.:—

BESSIE F. BAILEY, b. June 21, 1874.

Asa Morse, the gd. fr. of Thomas E., was among the famous Revolutionaries that united in throwing overboard the tea in Boston Harbor. Thomas and wf. rank reputably among us for sterling usefulness and worth. He is a house-painter by trade, and supplies from his establishment, So. Bow, near Main St., painters' materials, doors, sashes, and blinds to numerous customers.

MORSE, LEMUEL G., pedigree not traced; m. *Almira Cobb*, dr. of Elmer and Sylvia (Johnson) Cobb (for birth-date see Cobb); cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 6, 1853, by the writer. No report of issue. They res. in Up. A few other Morses in town, but no reports of family record from them.

MOULTON, NATHANIEL, and wf. *Betsey*, pedigree not ascertained, stand credited on our records with the births of 2 chn.:—

ARBA, b. Feb. 2, 1793.

ANNA GRANT, b. May 11, 1795; family no further traced.

MOWRY, ISRAEL[5] (Israel,[4] Elisha,[3] Henry,[2] Nathaniel[1], of Smithfield, R.I.; the ancestral immigrant from Eng.), b. Mendon, Aug. 24, 1787; farmer, jobber, etc.; m. *Phila Wood*, dr. of Col. Ezra Wood, b. Up., July 12, 1798; cer. Aug. 20, 1815. Their chn:—

BARBARA B., b. Dec. 30, 1817; m. Samuel Colburn, Dec. 30, 1840; she d. June 23, 1843.

BETSEY C., b. Dec. 26, 1819; m. William Bracket, May 30, 1841.

Ezra Wood, b. Oct. 14, 1822; m. Ann E. Aldrich, June, 1846.
Daniel C., b. June 16, 1825; m. —— Lawrence, —— Taft, etc.
Ann A., b. April 16, 1827; m. Horatio F. Bowen, May 28, 1846.
Almira M., b. Jan. 12, 1829; m. Edward J. Prentice, Mil., Nov. 28, 1850.
John Gardner, b. Sept. 10, 1831; m. Ann Isabella Maynard, Oct. 26, 1864.
Charles H., b. May 23, 1833; m. Marion Braman, Nov. 7, 1859.
George W., b. May 25, 1835; twice or thrice m.; names not ascertained.

Israel Mowry res. in several localities at different periods of his life, — in Mendon, Uxbridge, Upton, Dedham, and last in Mil., on Purchase St. There he bought the Henry Allen place, so called, and spent his last earthly days. He was an industrious, hard-working, well-intentioned man. He d. in Mil., June 16, 1855, a sincere and hopeful Spiritualist, a. 66 yrs. His worthy wf. survived him several yrs., but joined him in spirit-land some time since.

MOWRY, John Gardner[6] (Israel,[5] Israel,[4] Elisha,[3] Henry,[2] Nathaniel[1]), b. Up., Sept. 10, 1831; mr's. maiden name, Phila Wood; m. *Ann Isabella Maynard*, dr. of Rev. Lyman and Elizabeth Wood (Macomber) Maynard, b. Hingham, June 29, 1840; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 26, 1864, by the writer. No chn. Chiefly engaged in the straw goods manufacture. Excellent persons. Res. Mil., Amherst, Holl, etc. He d. very suddenly in Mil., Aug. 8, 1878, highly esteemed and deeply lamented. His desolated companion survives, and res. in town.

MOREY, James M., ancestry not traced; son of William and Mary (Fifield) Morey, b. in Wilmot, N.H., Sept. 25, 1829; blacksmith; m., 1st, *Nancy F. Heath*, dr. of Samuel and Sally (Fogg) Heath, b. Bridgewater, N.H., 1830; cer. Warner, N.H., Aug. 3, 1850, by Rev. Walter P. Harriman. 1 child, —

Nancy Calista, b. Wilmot Flat, N.H., April 29, 1852; d. March 18, 1864.

Mrs. Nancy, the mr., d. Wilmot Flat, May 7, 1852. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Emma Walker*, dr. of Richard and Sally (Hatch) Walker, b. in Milton, N.H., Feb. 13, 1832; cer. at Hopedale, Sept. 25, 1853, by the writer. Two chn: —

Charlie E., b. Holl., Sept. 8, 1855; d. Feb. 23, 1857.
Minnie Mabelle, b. Hopedale, Dec. 14, 1858; m. Frank A. Southwick, Brooklyn, N.Y., July 4, 1880.

A very worthy family. Mr. M. is an industrious, skilful blacksmith at Hopedale, for several yrs. the res. of the family.

MOREY, James, son of Rev. William and Ann (Platt) Morey, b. in Eng., July 2, 1837; farmer; m. *Jane Gill*, dr. of Abraham and Elizabeth (Tanner) Gill, b. June 29, 1835, in Prince Edward Island; cer. Little York, Prince Edward Island, Nov. 7, 1861, by Rev. A. W. Nicholson. Their chn: —

Ida, b. DeKalb, N.Y., May 29, 1864.
Abner, b. DeKalb, N.Y., Aug. 27, 1865.
Emma, b. Darlington, Wis., July 26, 1867.
Seth, b. Sheridan, Wis., June 14, 1869.
Luke, b. Sheridan, Wis., Jan. 24, 1871.
Olive, b. Sheridan, Wis., March 9, 1873.
John, b. Sheridan, Wis., Dec. 22, 1874.
Myron, b. Prince Edward Island, Nov. 27, 1876.
Rose, b. Mil., March 27, 1879.

Mr. Morey purchased, three or four yrs. ago, the John Cheney farm in No. Purchase, the ancient Jonathan Bond place. He brought along with him into town his venerable fr. and mr. Rev. William d. in No. Purchase, May 30, 1879,

in his 71st yr.; and I ministered at his funeral. His aged consort still survives. James and family give promise of useful and respectable citizenship.

We have other Moreys in town, named in our directory, whose family records have not been reported to me. These are,—

MOREY, Elson, boot-click, h. Mechanic St., near Pearl.

MOREY, George H., finisher, bds. Elson Morey's; prob. a son.

MOREY, George H. boot-click, h. Mechanic St., near Pearl.

MOREY, James, bootmaker, h. West St., beyond Prospect.

MOREY, James K., bootmaker, h. So. Main St., below Fruit.

I suspect some of these may be descendants of the late Rev. William, but have not made myself certain of it.

MULLIKEN, Elijah Sanderson; ancestry not traced; son of Nathaniel and Lydia (Sanderson) Mulliken, b. in Lexington, June 30, 1824; carpenter; m. *Helen Louisa Munyan*, dr. of Lemuel and Fanny W. (Pitts) Munyan, b. in Millville, April 1, 1832; cer. Hopedale, Sept. 4, 1854, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Maybel Fanny, b. So. Uxbridge, Feb. 21, 1858.

Kate Wilmarth, b. Warwick, R.I., Aug. 12, 1863.

Harry Sanderson, b. Warwick, R.I., Oct. 17, 1866.

For intelligence and practical Christian character this family will bear high commendation, for two good reasons: first, because they richly deserve it; and second, because they are too modest to be harmed by it. They were ornaments to our Hopedale Community when they belonged to it in its zenith, and they cannot have been otherwise to any of the neighborhoods where they have since dwelt. If worldly prosperity has not smiled on them in their laudable endeavors to deserve it, they have laid up treasure where "moth cannot corrupt, nor thieves break through to steal." They have res. in Hopedale, So. Uxbridge, Warwick, R.I., Malta, N.Y., and now for several yrs. in West Upton. There Mr. Mulliken is a respected employé of the Knowltons; and Mrs. Mulliken has distinguished herself as the head of a successful kindergarten seminary, and is training her drs. for like usefulness.

MUNYAN, Lemuel; ancestry not traced; son of Ezra and Sarah (Knapp) Munyan; b. Thompson, Ct., Aug. 18, 1807. Woollen manufacturer formerly, and now farmer; m., 1st, *Fanny Willard Pitts*, dr. of Esek, Esq., and Abigail (Wood) Pitts, b. in Millville, date not given; cer. in Millville, May, 1830, by Rev. Nathaniel Barker. Their chn.:—

Helen Louisa, b. Millville, April 1, 1832; m. Elijah S. Mulliken, Sept. 4, 1854.

Abby Frances, b. July 7, 1833; m. Jerome Wilmarth, M.D., Nov. 19, 1856; res. Upton. Mrs. Fanny d. Nov. 26, 1837, much esteemed and lamented. The hus. m., 2d, *Catherine G. Shove*, dr. of Marvel and Lydia (Fisk) Shove, b. Woonsocket, R.I., April 18, 1818; cer. at Crosswicks, N.J., Oct. 13, 1842, according to usage of Friends. Their chn.:—

Anna Gertrude, b. Worcester, Jan. 25, 1847; m. William Read Warren, Oct. 13, 1867.

Edward Marvel, b. So. Uxbridge, Jan. 2, 1858; salesman, Boston; bds. with parents.

The commendatory testimonial borne above to the intelligence and Christian character of the Mullikens is equally applicable to the Munyans, their parents. They were among the best members of our Community at Hopedale during its best yrs. Fortune has seemed to frown on their pecuniary weal at

times, but no blight ever touched their moral and social excellence. They have res. at different stages of their earthly pilgrimage in So. Uxbridge, Worcester, Hopedale, Warwick, R.I., Providence, R.I., and latterly for some yrs. at No. Woburn.

Of grandchn. they have 8, — 3 Mullikens, 2 Wilmarths, and 3 Warrens. The Mullikens and Wilmarths appear in the family records of their respective parents. The Warrens I may as well give here. Anna G. Munyan and Wm. R. Warren were m. in Providence, R.I., Oct. 13, 1867, by Rev. Augustus Woodbury. They are worthy of their kindred, and res. in West Upton. Their children are, —

Bessie Shove, b. Providence, R.I., May 26, 1869.
William Loring, b. Upton, Oct. 13, 1872.
Fanny Louise, b. Upton, April 6, 1878.

Another has since been added to the flock; name and date not ascertained.

NELSON. The Nelsons have long been conspicuous and influential inhabitants of our territory and that of Upton. With the acceptable aid of important genealogical documents, left by the late Newell Nelson, Esq., and equally valuable ones furnished by Mr. Elijah Nelson of Upton, now resident in Providence, R.I., supplemented by careful researches of my own, I am prepared to give a reliable account of our Nelson ancestry and descent. From the printed document kindly sent me by Mr. Elijah Nelson, entitled, "A Family Record of the Descendants of Thomas Nelson and Joan his Wife: By one of them" published 1868, I quote as follows: —

"Thomas Nelson was the ancestor of the Nelsons in Maine, New Hampshire, and the northern part of Massachusetts. He was one of the twenty families that emigrated with the Rev. Ezekiel Rogers from Rowley, Yorkshire, Eng., to this country, in Dec., 1638, and probably spent the winter in Salem, and removed, in the spring of 1639, to a place between Ipswich and Newbury, called for some time 'Mr. Rogers's Plantation.' In Sept. of the same year the Gen. Court gave it the name Rowley.

"Thomas Nelson was made freeman, May 23, 1639; chosen deputy to Gen. Court in 1640 and 41; in 1643 was chosen chairman of a committee to make a survey of the town, and lay out and register house-lots. In Oct., 1644, he was appointed to join in marriage persons in Rowley." Thus promoted to positions of honor and responsibility, he seems to have gone steadily forward to prominent wealth and respectability. At length, being called on important business to England, he prudently made his will, departed, and, as it happened, never returned. He was taken dangerously sick in England, and died there in 1648. His wf. was *Joan Dummer*, dr. of Thomas Dummer, understood to have been of Rowley, Eng., or that vicinity. Their chn. were: —

Philip, b. in Eng., 1636; grad. Harvard U., 1654, and rose to eminence.
Thomas, b. in Eng., 1638; m., had a large family, and d. in Rowley.
Mercy, b. Rowley, 1643; m. John Stark.
Samuel, b. Rowley, 1646; no further traced.
Mary, b. Rowley, 1648; no further traced.

NELSON, Thomas[2] (Thomas[1]), m., 1st, *Ann Lambert*, dr. of Francis Lambert, one of the original Rowley settlers. Their chn. were: —

Thomas, b. March 10, 1661; lived and d. in Rowley.
Dorothy, b. Feb. 14, 1662; no further traced.
Hannah, b. June 22, 1665; m. Joseph Dickenson, Nov. 3, 1714.
Jonathan, b. Nov. 20, 1667; d. 1690.

ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 25, 1669; d. Dec. 31, 1668.

GERSHOM, b. July 11, 1672; the progenitor of all our Mil. Nelsons.

FRANCIS, b. Feb. 19, 1675; no further traced.

Ann (Lambert) Nelson d. Jan. 2, 1668. He m., 2d, *Mary Lunt* of Newbury, May 13, 1680. She bore him *Ephraim*, March 23, 1681, and d. May 28, 1688. He m., 3d, *Phillippa Platts* of Rowley, April 9, 1690, who d. Oct. 9, 1709; and he, April 5, 1712.

NELSON, THOMAS[3] (Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), m., 1st, *Hannah* ——, 1690, and had, —

SAMUEL, b. Feb. 14, 1691; progenitor of the Upton Nelsons.

HANNAH, b. Dec. 17, 1693; no further traced.

ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 4, 1696; d. Aug. 12, 1716.

ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 15, 1704; m. Jos. Aspinwall, June 5, 1728.

ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 24, 1717; by 2d wf. *Tabitha* ——.

The fr d. May 20, 1719, a. 59 yrs.

NELSON, GERSHOM[3] (Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 11, 1672; m. *Abigail Ellithorpe*, July 16, 1700; to whom were born, —

NATHANIEL, b. April 22, 1701; conspicuous here as Dea. and Elder.

ANN, b. Sept. 4, 1703; m. James Godman, Nov. 19, 1731.

SARAH, b. Feb. 27, 1707; m. Moses Gage, Jan. 13, 1731.

MARY, b. April 16, 1713; m. Joseph Chapin, Feb. 5, 1729.

HANNAH, b. Oct. 14, 1714; m. William Legg, had several chn., and d. July 3, 1755.

NEHEMIAH, b. Oct. 4, 1716; lived and d. here a respected citizen.

ABIGAIL, b. May 20, 1720; d. Aug. 29, 1736, in her 17th yr.

These chn. were all b. in Rowley. In April, 1722, Gershom Nelson purchased of Josiah Wood his large farm of some 200 acs., lying mainly just south of the Eld. John Jones est. in now Hopedale, though extending farther both east and west. Thither he immediately removed his family, and commenced the management of his new purchase. He appears to have been a man of means, energy, and enterprise. Josiah Wood bought the bulk of this real estate of Capt. Seth Chapin, the original settler, in 1715, but had made some additions to it, and in partnership with certain neighbors erected a saw-mill on its southerly skirt. The scant remains of the old dam are still discernible on the river, about half-way down from the Mendon-road stone bridge towards the new mill now in possession of Saml. Walker. But Mr. Nelson did not live long to enjoy his farm. He d. Sept. 14, 1727. His est. was settled by his eldest son Nathaniel, and divided among his heirs. His wid. long survived him, and d. Dec. 25, 1765, a. almost 87 yrs.

NELSON, SAMUEL[4] (Thomas,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), nephew to Gershom, b. Rowley, Feb. 14, 1691; m. *Ann Palmer*, Oct. 25, 1721, and settled in the southerly part of Upton, then included in Mendon, not long after his uncle Gershom came to the Josiah Wood farm in now Hopedale. Their homes were only about two miles apart. He was known and much respected in Upton, as Dea. Samuel Nelson. I have not undertaken to go much into details relative to the Upton Nelsons, and shall content myself with giving the substance of Mr. Elijah Nelson's communication to me on the subject, which is as follows: —

Dea. Samuel had two sons, Francis and Thomas. Francis was b. in Rowley, Sept. 10, 1722; and Thomas in Upton, April 9, 1727. Between the births of these sons he moved into the south part of Upton, then Mendon. He divided

his land between his two sons; giving the northern portion to Francis, and his immediate homestead to Thomas. Francis built anew on his land.

Thomas had 3 sons: viz., Ezra, Nathan, and Thomas. Ezra d. in the Revolutionary war. Nathan never married. Thomas m. Hannah Bracket; and they had 3 sons and 4 drs. Their sons were Ezra, Jonathan, and Thomas. Ezra kept the tavern in Upton. Jonathan and Thomas lived on the old homestead. They are all dead. Hannah, one of their sisters, m. Jonathan Nelson of Worcester. He was a son of Dea. John, that went from Mil. to Worcester, and bro. to Rev. John Nelson of Leicester. Jonathan and Thomas left no chn.

Francis Nelson, eldest son of Dea. Samuel, m. Hannah Tyler of Mendon. They had 3 sons and 4 drs. These all went to different parts of the country, except Joseph, who remained at home with his father. He had 3 sons and 3 drs. The drs. all d. young. His eldest son, Daniel, m. Betsey, a dr. of Thomas Nelson. She d., leaving one son, Samuel A. Nelson, boot and shoe dealer in Charleston, S.C. His 2d wf. was a sister of his 1st, and d. without chn. His 3d wf. was Betsey, dr. of Asa Wood. She had one dr., Betsey Jane, who m. George Claflin. They have been seven times to Africa as missionaries, and went last to Kansas. Issue, two drs. Elijah and Levi, sons of Joseph, lived with their fr. on the homestead. Elijah m. Mary, dr. of John Sadler. They had two chn., Mary Jane and Granville Dean. The dr. d. young; and her mr. d. June 14, 1871. The son is a merchant in Providence, R.I.; and Elijah, his fr., has resided with him since the death of his wf., in 1871. He, the fr., my correspondent, says he was b. Aug. 10, 1795, and was therefore, when this was written, in his 83d yr. His bro., Levi Nelson, m. Adaline, dr. of Joseph Wood of Upton. They had 2 chn., a son and a dr. The dr. d. young; and the son dwells on the old paternal homestead.

My correspondent further states that his ancestor, Dea. Samuel, had a brother at one time near him who had a son David. This son went to Shrewsbury, and became the progenitor of all the Nelsons in that town. Mendon records mention a Nathaniel and wf. Sarah, 1741; prob. Dea. Samuel's brother.

If I seem to have wandered beyond my proper limits, in giving this sketch of the Upton Nelsons, I trust the good may exceed the evil. I was curious to inquire into their relationship to our Nelsons, and my friend of that tribe took too much kind pains for my enlightenment to be lost. If any of the Upton Nelsons desire more information concerning their family stock, what is above given may serve to aid their researches. I now return to the Mil. Nelsons.

NELSON, NATHANIEL[4] (Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 22, 1701; m. *Deborah*, dr. of Capt. Seth and Bethiah (Thurston) Chapin, Mendon, April 15, 1725; cer. by Josiah Chapin, Esq. She was b. July 14, 1704. He was styled "weaver" in deeds and other legal instruments. He was early chosen a deacon of the First ch. in Mendon, next of the Second ch., Easterly Precinct, and then a ruling elder of the latter. He inherited, by deed of gift, one-third of his fr.'s real est. He dwelt at or near our Hopedale Corner, and through a long life enjoyed the unlimited confidence of his fellow-Christians and fellow-citizens generally. The chn. of Eld. Nelson and wf. Deborah were, —

RUTH, b. Jan. 28, 1726; d. Aug. 29, 1736.

GERSHOM, b. July 29, 1729; lived, m., raised up a family, and d. here.

JOSIAH, b. Aug. 16, 1732; lived, m., raised up a family, and d. here.

SETH, b. June 22, 1735; lived, m., raised up a family, and d. here.

ABIGAIL, b. July 14, 1737; m. Benjamin Albee, Dec. 3, 1755.

NATHANIEL, b. June 10, 1741; d. Aug. 21, 1772.

DEBORAH, b. July 5, 1743; m. Comfort Keith of Ux.

Mrs. Deborah, the mr., died July 21, 1777, at the age of nearly 73 yrs. The eld. m., for his 2d wf., Mrs. *Sarah Thayer*, wid. of Ensign Samuel Thayer, June 3, 1779; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. He d. Jan. 6, 1783, in his 82d yr., leaving an honored and long-cherished memory.

NELSON, NEHEMIAH[4] (Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Oct. 4, 1716; about 12 yrs. old at the death of his fr., and placed under the guardianship of Eld. John Jones till of age; m. *Hannah*, dr. of Lieut. William and Mary Sheffield, Oct. 29, 1742. She was b. Feb. 28, 1723. Their chn. were, —

RUTH, b. Oct. 29, 1742; m. Joseph Jones, jun., gd. son Eld. John.

ELIZABETH, b. March 30, 1746; m. Nathaniel Rawson, long known as Dea. Rawson.

NATHANIEL, bap. Sept. 6, 1751; no further traced.

HANNAH, bap. Sept. 14, 1755; no further traced.

NEHEMIAH, bap. Aug. 27, 1758; m. Rhoda Wheelock, Mendon, Feb. 17, 1781.

PAUL, bap. July 27, 1760; no further traced.

I have sought in vain to find some record of the births of the four last-named chn.; but Rev. Amariah Frost's record of baptisms furnished me the names and dates as above given. The fr. appears to have been a quiet, orderly, trustworthy citizen. I find him reputably mentioned in the various records of his times. He res. at or near the Sylvanus Adams place, and afterwards where David and Newell N. Nelson dwell. He d. 1782; and his wid. became the 2d wf. of Thomas Rawson, in 1785. She d. Feb. 8, 1803, not long after her last husband's decease.

NELSON, Capt. GERSHOM[5] (Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 29, 1729; m., 1st, *Mercy Puffer* of Wrentham, July 5, 1753; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. I have not succeeded in ascertaining her parentage nor date of birth. They res. on the site of the Amos Cook house at Hopedale Corner. He was a carpenter as well as farmer, and an influential man; gradually becoming a large landholder, and aggregating in one est. most of the smaller ones that existed at the commencement of his career in the near vicinity. In his prime he must have owned probably several hundred acres. He and his wf. Mercy had chn. as follows: —

MARY, b. Feb. 15, 1755; m. Jonas Parkhurst, jun., Dec. 1, 1774.

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 21, 1760; who succeeded his fr. on the homestead.

RACHEL, b. Oct. 6, 1763; m. Samuel Thayer, Dec. 9, 1784.

ABIGAIL, b. July 30, 1765; m. Hachaliah Whitney, Jan. 29, 1786.

EXPERIENCE, b. Dec. 1, 1767; m. Simeon Thayer, Nov. 2, 1788.

SALLY, b. May 25, 1773; m. Samuel Hayward, Aug. 24, 1794.

The mr. d. Dec. 14, 1790. The fr. m., for 2d wf., *Lydia Fairbanks* of Douglas, March 20, 1791. He d. intestate, Sept. 23, 1813; and his est. was settled by his only son, Col. Samuel. Date of 2d wf.'s death not ascertained.

NELSON, JOSIAH[5] (Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 16, 1732; m. *Elizabeth Thayer* of Bell., April 25, 1754; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Ebenezer and Mary (Wheelock) Thayer, b. July 5, 1735, N. S. They res., I infer, mostly away from the paternal homestead, though always in the municipal vicinity, for some yrs. in the immediate neighborhood of the "Salt Box," so called, and in their latter days on the Capt. Ezra Nelson place, so designated for the last half-century. He was an energetic, thrifty, influential citizen. They had a numerous family; viz., —

Henry, b. June 20, 1754; m., lived, and d. in Mil.
Stephen, b. Dec. 12, 1755; m., lived, and d. in Mil.
Ruth, b. Oct. 11, 1757; m. Nathan Cutler, Dec. 25, 1777.
Nathaniel, b. March 23, 1759; d. May 2, 1773.
Josiah, Jun., b. Aug. 23, 1761; m. Anna Warren; lived and d. in Mil.
Paul, b. Sept. 3, 1763; m. Grace Wood, Upton, Dec. 23, 1786.
Deborah, b. April 14, 1765; m. Jona. Jones, May 28, 1786.
Levi, b. Nov. 25, 1766; d. Jan. 23, 1770.
Elizabeth, b. Oct. 10, 1768; m. Daniel Davidson, Jan. 11, 1789.
Esther, b. Sept. 16, 1770; m. Stephen Stephens; not traced.
Arba, b. April 14, 1772; m. Abigail Parkhurst, and set. in Craftsbury, Vt.
Hopestill, b. Oct. 10, 1774; m. Amasa Parkhurst; lived and d. in Mil.
Ezra, b. May 8, 1777; succeeded his fr. on his last homestead.
Abigail, b. Feb. 12, 1780; m. William E. Green, Feb. 2, 1803; d. May 7, 1804.

The mr. d. Oct. 29, 1806; the fr. d. Jan. 23, 1807, — within 3 mos. of each other. The fr. made a judicious will, wherein Ezra, his youngest son, was appointed executor. His sons Henry, Stephen, and Josiah, jun., had d. before him, leaving heirs to whom he bequeathed legacies. We see that his dr. Abigail Green was also dead; hence he omitted to name her, but instead remembered his gd. son Wm. Nelson Green, as her lineal representative. His est. was duly distributed according to testamentary prescription.

NELSON, Seth[5] (Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. June 22, 1735; m. *Silence Cheney*, Oct. 28, 1756; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was dr. of Ebenezer and Hannah (Bigelow) Cheney, and b. July 27, 1740. She was left an only orphan child by her father, who d. about the time of her birth. Her mr. afterwards became the wf. of our first Ichabod Thayer. Her fr. was a bro. of William Cheney, jun. Seth Nelson always res. on our territory; was a deacon of the ch., and a worthy citizen. His family homestead is understood to have been in the vicinity of Bungay, — perhaps the Partridge place, so called. His chn. were, —

Ebenezer, b. Feb. 1, 1758; m. Patience Twitchell, March 8, 1781; set. and d. in Me.
Nathan, b. Oct. 24, 1759; m. Jerusha Chapin, March 8, 1781; set. and d. in Me.
John, b. Aug. 27, 1761; m. Betty Brown, Nov. 28, 1782; removed to Worcester.
Silence } (twins), b. Aug. 2, 1763.
Hannah } b. Aug. 2, 1763; m. Asa Jones, Feb. 13, 1783.
David, b. July 28, 1765; m. Elizabeth Hunting, Jan. 10, 1788; set. New Gloucester, Me.
Anna, b. June 10, 1767; m. Ebenezer Cheney of Warwick, Feb. 17, 1785.
Olive, b. April 14, 1770; d. Jan. 27, 1811; unm.
Simeon, b. April 26, 1772; m. Esther Parkhurst, Oct. 30, 1794; removed to Clinton, N.Y.
Mary, b. June 8, 1774; m. Marvel Chapin, Nov. 25, 1790; d. Oct. 13, 1808.
Seth, Jun., b. Aug. 2, 1776; res. Mil. a while; then set. in Amherst, Cortland Co., N.Y.
Levi, b. Aug. 8, 1779; became a clergyman; ordained and set. Lisbon, Ct.

Dea. Seth d. Sept. 10, 1811; and Silence, his wid., d. Dec. 8, 1815; both very highly esteemed in the ch. and throughout the town.

NELSON, Nehemiah[5] (Nehemiah,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug.

27, 1758; m. *Rhoda Wheelock* of Mendon, Feb. 17, 1781; cer. by Rev. Joseph Willard. I have been baffled in my attempts to ascertain the res., experiences, and circumstances of this family. Their mges., homes, and deaths must be left untold by me. Their chn. were, —

Pearley, dr., b. May 13, 1781.

Paul, b. Feb. 17, 1783.

Hannah, b. March 13, 1785; d. July 16, 1815.

Calvin, b. Aug. 1, 1787; long ago left this town, but was living a few yrs. since.

Betsey, b. Dec. 12, 1789.

Rhoda, b. March 19, 1794.

Ruth, b. Aug. 23, 1796.

Felinda, b. Jan. 3, 1798.

I suspect this family is nearly extinct, but may have got a wrong impression. Whoever is personally interested will do well to inquire into the matter, and ascertain the facts.

NELSON, Col. Samuel[6] (Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. at our now Hopedale Corner, Sept. 21, 1760; m., in the spring of 1783, *Sally*, dr. of Stephen and Elizabeth Torrey, who was b. Dec. 22, 1763. Their chn. were, —

Newell, b. March 20, 1784; long one of our eminently upright and useful citizens.

Amelia, b. July 18, 1786; m. Henry Wheelock, Feb. 23, 1806; d. Dec. 22, 1871.

Samuel, Jun., b. Oct. 17, 1789; res. Hallowell, Me.; merchant.

Joseph, b. Dec. 29, 1791; res. last in New York; d. March 5, 1854.

Stephen Torrey, b. Oct. 31, 1796; d. Sept. 18, 1798.

Nathaniel Torrey, b. Nov. 15, 1799; res. Sutton and Mil.; he d. Sept. 14, 1840.

Col. Samuel Nelson res. in the Peter Cook house, so called, at Hopedale Corner, which was built by him. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and delighted in recounting his adventures in the army. It is told of him, that Capt. Samuel Warfield, one of his comrades, often had long talks with him about their warlike experiences; and that one night, when Warfield made him an evening call (both being lovers of good cheer), they enjoyed their reminiscences and exhilarations so well, that the morning sun actually arose upon them, much to their surprise, when they were ready to exchange good-byes. About the yr. 1802, he and his fr. constructed a horse-wagon, the first ever built in town; and he furnished the timber out of his nicest white-oak tree. He directed his son Newell, then about 18 yrs. old, to fell the tree, and be sure to cut a hole through the heart first, large enough to draw his jacket through, before weakening the outside too much; his object being to preserve the grain of the tree without fracture. Newell obeyed him to the letter, and handed down the incident to his chn. The col. was a thorough, precise, and determined man in the affairs of life, though perhaps not always wise and prudent. I infer from his record that he was a man of high spirit, keen sense of honor, and a very active citizen. Circumstances induced him, about the yr. 1816, to sell his Mil. farm, and purchase a handsome one in Sutton. He sold out here to Peter Cook 200 acres of land, and removed to his new home. And there at length he d. Feb. 18, 1823. His est. was set. by his son Newell. His wid d. at her son Newell's, Dec. 29, 1852, in her 90th yr. They were of strong physical

and mental constitution, and transmitted the like to their chn. They made their mark in society.

NELSON, HENRY[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. June 20, 1754; m. (bride's name, ptge., date of mge., etc., not ascertained, though anxiously sought).

They had 1 son, at least, —

HENRY, Jun., b. date not found.

The fr. d. Sept. 13, 1805. The mr.'s d. date not found.

Henry Nelson, son of Josiah, was d. when his fr. made his will; for he left a legacy to his gd. son, the above-named Henry, jun.

NELSON, STEPHEN[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 12, 1755; m. *Anna Atwood*, May 29, 1776; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Benjamin and Joanna (Cheney) Atwood, and b. Sept. 11, 1754. Their chn. were, —

NATHANIEL, date not found; LEVI, date not found; HALLOWELL, date not found; LUCINDA, date not found.

The fr. d. Oct. 22, 1793. The above-named chn. received legacies in their gd. fr.'s will; though he gives the gd. dr.'s name as Lucinda, instead of Rosalinda, given her at baptism.

NELSON, JOSIAH, Jun.[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 23, 1761; m. *Anna Warren*, Feb. or March, 1786; cer. by whom not ascertained. She was a dr. of Samuel and Eunice (Corbett) Warren, and b. Jan. 22, 1767. Their chn. were, —

HENRY, b. Sept. 2, 1786; res. always in Mil., and long familiarly known as Capt. Harry.

LUCINDA, b. Jan. 15, 1789; m. Phinehas Hubbard, Hop., April 21, 1813.

JOHN, b. Sept. 8, 1790; studied medicine, and set. as phys. in Carlisle.

BETSEY MELLEN, b. June 18, 1792; m. Caleb V. Allen, Mendon.

MERCY JONES, b. April 21, 1794; m. Moses Littlefield, April 12, 1818.

JULIANA, b. April 22, 1798; m. Ira Cheney, April 3, 1818. She d. 1867.

The fr. was a licensed innholder, at what is known as the Maj. Chapin place, from 1790 through several ensuing yrs. He d. Oct. 5, 1802. His wid. m. Abner Albee of Chesterfield, N.H., May 30, 1811. She survived him, and d. in Mil., March 25, 1837.

NELSON, PAUL[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Sept. 3, 1763; maj. of militia; m. *Grace Wood* of Upton, dr. of Col. Ezra Wood; cer. Dec. 23, 1786, prob. by Rev. Elisha Fish, then Cong. pastor of Up. He spent most of his adult life as an innholder; first in West Up. several yrs., then in No. Providence, R.I., then in Bristol, R.I., about 5 yrs., and finally in Pawtucket 6 yrs., where he d. April 1, 1827. He was a popular landlord, and universally respected in all the relationships of life. His wid., Mrs. Grace, equally beloved and esteemed, d. March 13, 1838. Their elder chn. were b. in Up., the younger in subsequent residences. They were, —

DULCENA, b. April 13, 1788; m. Charles Tillinghast, Providence, R.I.

DIANA, b. April 20, 1790; m. Matthias M. Monroe, Bristol, R.I.

PAUL, b. July 13, 1792; d. in promising bloom, Cuba, W.I., yellow fever, 1813.

RUTH, b. Oct. 6, 1794; d. in infancy, Oct. 15, 1797.

RUTH, 2d, b. June 1, 1798; m. Peter Hunt; both d.; no chn.

ANGELINA, b. Feb. 15, 1801; m. Joseph Tompkins, and had 2 chn.

ELIZA A., b. June 8, 1803; d. unm., Oct. 17, 1826.

HORATIO, b. Feb. 25, 1805; d. in infancy, Sept. 19, 1805.

ABIGAIL GREEN, b. Nov. 25, 1807; m. Jonathan N. Spencer, Pawtucket, R.I.

MATTHIAS, b. July 24, 1810; d. unm.; date not given.

The descendants of Maj. Paul and Grace (Wood) Nelson are wholly through their drs. Dulcena was bereft of her hus. 2 yrs. after mge., by whom she had a dr. Anna. Anna Tillinghast m. John Tompkins, manufacturer, Newburg, N.Y., and by him had 3 chn.; viz., Eliza N., who m. William N. Rodman, some time mayor of Providence, R.I; no chn.; both d.; Gen. Charles H. Tompkins, Staten Island, N.Y.; and John A. Tompkins, now of Baltimore, Md. Their fr. was accidentally killed by a misstep in landing from a steamboat. Their mr. m., 2d, A. D. Lippett, and has since d. The venerable Dulcena (Nelson) Tillinghast was still living 1879, only survivor of her fr.'s family.

Diana Nelson, the second dr., m. Rev. Matthias Monroe, Bristol, R.I., an Episcopal clergyman, and had 3 chn., whose record is briefly told as follows: Diana m. Willis G. Eaton, machinist, Lowell; 4 chn. Anna L. m. George B. Allen, Lowell, organist; Dr. Willis G. Eaton res. Lowell; Harriet H.; Matthias M. res. Taunton. Grace Wood m. Gilbert Richmond; 1 child; family all d. William M. m. a Miss Noyes of Poland, Me., and had 4 chn. The 2d dr. m. a Mr. Hathaway of Boston; Daniel is a clerk in Boston; Rachel d. young; their fr. was lost at sea.

Angelina, 6th child of Paul Nelson, m. Joseph Tompkins, and had 2 chn.; viz., Susan G. and Angelina N. The latter m. Theodore Horton; no chn.; both have passed away.

Abigail G., 9th child, m. Jonathan N. Spencer of Pawtucket, and had 1 dr., Abigail N. She m. Jerome Kimball, lawyer, Providence, R.I., and had 2 chn., Helen E. and Arthur L., who res. with their parents.

I have followed out the descendants of Maj. Paul and Grace (Wood) Nelson much further than my general rule allows, out of respect to the great pains taken by certain relatives to procure me information.

NELSON, ARBA[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 14, 1772; m. *Abigail Parkhurst*, Oct. 2, 1791; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, and b. May 9, 1774. They removed to Craftsbury, Vt., and afterwards into one of the Western States. Mrs. Abigail is said to have had 7 chn., and to have lived to the age of 92 yrs. I have not attempted to trace the family record. Arba, a son or gd. son, some yrs. since, m. Mrs. Charlotte H. Rand, youngest dr. of our Capt. Henry Nelson.

NELSON, Capt. EZRA[6] (Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 8, 1777; m. *Polly Parkhurst*, May 22, 1800; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, and b. Feb. 25, 1776. Their chn. were, —

WILLIAM, b. April 19, 1802; d. Oct. 13, 1803.

NATHANIEL PARKHURST, b. Aug. 25, 1804; d. April 20, 1809.

CAROLINE, b. May 10, 1807; d. March 7, 1833.

JAMES MADISON, b. Nov. 24, 1809; removed to Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. and set. there.

GEORGE CLINTON, b. March 24, 1812; removed to Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. and set. there.

MARY MARILLA } (twins), b. April 17, 1815; m. A. Hosford Smith, G. Rapids, Mich., 1839.

MARTHA MURTILLA } b. April 17, 1815; d. yrs. ago.

Polly Diana, b. Jan. 28, 1818; m. Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.

Ezra Thayer, b. May 9, 1823; m. Augusta M. Valentine of Hop.; set. G. Rapids, Mich.

Capt. Ezra was the youngest son of his fr., and dwelt with his parents in their declining yrs. The homestead was bought by his fr. of Ebenezer Torrey in 1784, and remained in family possession during the lifetime of Ezra. Its location on the road to Upton, now called West St., is well known to the present generation as the Capt. Ezra Nelson place, though it has had several owners since his death. In 1801 Josiah, the fr., deeded to Ezra, mainly as a gift, one full third of this homestead, and it is presumable that the latter afterwards purchased most of the other two-thirds. He was captain of the once famous Mil. Artillery Co. in his time, honored with various official trusts by his fellow-townsmen, and universally respected as a worthy man. His wf. d. March 19, 1827; and he, Oct. 19, 1835. His posterity now surviving are wholly settled in distant parts of the country. Not one of them dwells in Mil. See farther on.

NELSON, Ebenezer[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 1, 1758; m. *Patience Twitchell*, March 8, 1781; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Ephraim and Patience Twitchell, and bap. July 2, 1758. I have not found a record of her birth. No chn. are recorded to this pair as either b. or bap. here. I am told that they emigrated to wild land near Paris, Me., where both d. of consumption, and also their only child.

NELSON, Nathan[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Oct. 24, 1759; m. *Jerusha Chapin*, March 8, 1781, the same day that his bro. Ebenezer was; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Moses and Lydia (Atwood) Chapin, and was b. 1760. I find no record of chn. b. to them. They are said to have emigrated to Hebron, Me. No further traced. A Dr. Tewksbury of Portland, Me., is said to be their gd. son.

NELSON, John[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 27, 1761; m. *Betty Brown*, Nov. 28, 1782; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Israel and Experience (Thayer) Brown, but I have not found the date of her birth. No record of chn. here. If I have been correctly informed, John set. in Worcester, where he became a deacon, and the fr. of several chn. Among these was Rev. John Nelson, long an eminent preacher and pastor in Leicester.

NELSON, David[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 28, 1765; m. *Elizabeth Hunting*, Jan. 10, 1788; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No chn. recorded here. Reported to have set. in New Gloucester, Me., where he became a Baptist deacon and prominent citizen. He, his wf., and a dr. 4 yrs. old, once visited Mil., riding horseback all the way, 150 miles.

NELSON, Simeon[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 26, 1772; m. *Esther Parkhurst*, Oct. 30, 1794; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Ephraim and Jemima Parkhurst, b. Feb. 5, 1774. Their chn. were, —

Austin, b. Jan. 19, 1796.

Harriot, b. Jan. 20, 1798; d. Sept. 12, 1799.

Harriot, b. Oct. 29, 1800; d. March 22, 1807.

Lucy, b. April 24, 1803.

Paschal, b. May 27, 1805; drowned May 29, 1810.

Mary Ann, b. April 29, 1811.

It appears from the ch. records, under Rev. David Long's pastorate, that Mr. Nelson and wf. had removed to Clinton, N.Y., and were recommended to the ch. there, Feb. 25. 1816. Twice m.; all d.

NELSON, SETH, Jun.[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 2, 1776; m. *Sarah Jones* of Farmington, Me., March 8, 1802; her birth-date and ptge. not ascertained. This was his 1st wf. Their chn. were,—

ELIZABETH SARAH, b. April 10, 1803; m. Dr. John Payne, Montague, March 23, 1826.

EBENEZER JONES, b. Jan. 12, 1805; m., 1st, Charity Dunbar; 2d, Emeline Knapp; both d.

ABIGAIL TYLER, b. March 10, 1807; d. March 2, 1808.

The mr. d. Dec. 2, 1808. The fr. m., as 2d wf., *Sophia Aspinwall* of Lisbon, Ct., some time in the month of Oct., 1810; her birth-date and ptge. not ascertained. Their chn. were,—

ABIGAIL SOPHIA, b. Aug. 29, 1811; m. Wilton A. Kinney, June 9, 1840; since d.; no chn.

HANNAH URANIA, b. Jan. 25, 1813; d. Nov. 25, 1877.

SETH BUELL } (twins), b. April 22, 1815; m. Jane Graham. He was a physician.

LEVI HALE } (twins), b. April 22, 1815; m. Emily Dorman; res. So. Boston, Mich.

FANNY MELISSA CLARK, b. Oct. 17, 1817; m. Rev. Silas McKinney; missionaries to Africa.

HENRY ADDISON, b. Oct. 31, 1820; m. Margaret Mills, Auburn, N.Y., Feb. 23, 1847.

DAVID BRAINERD, b. May 12, 1823; m. Jane Baird, Newark Valley, Dec. 28, 1848.

SAMUEL WORCESTER, twin with D. Brainerd; m. Amanda Griffin, July, 1849.

WILLIAM TRACY, b. Feb. 1, 1826; d. March 16, 1829.

The family homestead, before removal from town, is understood to have been what has since been known as the John Parkhurst place, near Silver Hill. Mr. Nelson was chosen deacon of the Cong. ch. here, Oct. 7, 1813, and officiated as such until he moved with his family to Amherst. The ch. here voted him and his wf. recommendations to the ch. in Amherst, April 7, 1816. Subsequently he moved to Cortland, N.Y. There he became deacon of the Presbyterian ch., was a man of much influence, and lived out the remainder of his days, enjoying high respectability. He d. Feb. 5, 1857; his 2d wf. d. May 5, 1860.

I am indebted to Miss Emily A. Nelson, an intelligent gd. dr. of Dea. Seth Nelson, jun., for valuable information concerning his bros., himself, and his posterity. She res. in Elmira, N.Y.; and our correspondence was accidentally introduced by inquiries sent to one of our citizens about her ancestors, who referred the matter to me. I may, therefore, as well give in this place the data she sent me relating to the family descendants.

1. Dea. Seth, Jun.'s, dr., ELIZABETH SARAH, m. Dr. *John Payne*, Montague, March 23, 1826. He d. 1873, in Janesville, Wis. She has been quite an authoress, and now lives with her son in Lima, N.Y. Their chn.:—

MARY LOUISA, b. Feb. 17, 1827; d. March 16, 1873.

CHARLES HOWARD, b. April 15, 1830; m. Eunice Preston, July 11, 1872; res. Janesville, Wis.

SARAH SOPHIA, b. March 21, 1832; m. James Wiggins, Jan. 6, 1853; res. Whiting, Kan.; several chn.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. March 14, 1834; m. Mary C. Albee, Feb. 21, 1870; res. Sandwich, Ill. Inventor.

ANN AMELIA, b. Aug. 6, 1838; d. Feb. 14, 1848.

HENRY NELSON, b. Nov. 4, 1840; m. Elizabeth Porter, Sept. 7, 1872; 3 chn. He was lieut.-col. in a Missouri regt. during the late war, and is now pastor of the Presbyterian ch., Lima, N.Y.

2. EBENEZER JONES NELSON; m., 1st, *Charity Dunbar*, date not given; and 2d, *Emeline Knapp*, Dec. 16, 1851. Two chn. by 1st wf.; none by 2d.

BRAINERD, date of birth not given; m. Mary S. Horton.

FANNIE ELIZABETH, b. Oct., 1846; d. Nov., 1846.

Mrs. Charity, the 1st wf., d. April 1, 1849; Mrs. Emeline, the 2d, d. April, 1878. The hus. and fr. now lives with his son in Oswego, N.Y.

3. Dea. Seth, Jun.'s, dr., ABIGAIL TYLER, as seen above, d. in infancy.

4. His next child, ABIGAIL SOPHIA, m. *Wilton A. Kinney*, June 9, 1840. No chn. He d. 1860; and she lives in So. Boston, Mich.

5. His next child, HANNAH URANIA, lived unm., and d. Nov. 25, 1877.

6. SETH BUELL NELSON; m. *Jane Grey Graham*, Aug. 16, 1837. He was an allopathic physician. He d. March 25, 1852; she Jan. 16, 1876. Their chn.:—

LEVI BUELL, b. May 4, 1838; m. Eliza Hendry, Oct. 20, 1866; 5 chn.; cashier Savings Bank, Toledo, Ia.

SOPHIA JANE, b. May 2, 1841; m. George R. Struble, Esq., April 19, 1860; 5 chn.; Toledo, Ia.

WILLIAM, b. July 17, 1847; d. 1848.

JOHN ROSE, b. April, 1850; d. Oct., 1850.

7. LEVI HALE NELSON; m. *Emily Dorman* of So. Coventry, Ct., date not given. They res. So. Boston, Mich.; farmer; deacon Presbyterian ch.; found the place a forest, and left it a beautiful home; d. rich, Oct. 13, 1873. Chn.—

WILLIAM E., b. June 17, 1848; res. So. Boston, Mich.

SETH BUELL, b. Jan. 9, 1851; res. So. Boston, Mich.

JOSEPH HENRY, b. March 19, 1855; m. Marcia Carver, June, 1878; res. So. Boston, Mich.

8. FANNY MELISSA CLARK NELSON; m. Rev. *Silas McKinney*, Feb. 24, 1847. Chn.:—

CHARLES EDWARD, b. March 25, 1848; m. Ida George of Vineland, N.J.; res. Lynn, Mass.; 2 chn.

HENRY NELSON, b. Dec. 8, 1850; m. Lydia Connard; res. Philadelphia; 3 chn.

ELLEN LOUISE, b. Nov. 4, 1853; one of the faculty Oxford Sem., O.

FANNIE ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 4, 1859.

MARY URANIA, b. and d. March 25, 1861.

These devoted parents went as missionaries to So. Africa; and, after 12 yrs., the wf. d. there, in Natal, Nov. 26, 1861. The hus. is now pastor of the Presbyterian ch. at Tuscarora, N.Y.

9. HENRY ADDISON NELSON, m. *Margaret Mills* of Auburn, N.Y., Feb. 23, 1847.

During the civil war he was pastor of the 1st Pres. ch. in St. Louis, Mo. He is now pastor of the 1st Pres. ch., Genesee, N.Y., and bears the title D.D. His wf. d. in Sept., 1878. Their chn.:—

EDWIN MILLS, b. Nov. 18, 1847; physician, St. Louis, Mo.

HELEN MARIA, b. June 29, 1849; m. Rev. Henry Bullard, St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 30, 1871; 3 chn.

FANNY URANIA, b. Oct. 18, 1851.

FRED STAR, b. July 23, 1853; d. 1854.

MARY SOPHIA, b. March 3, 1855.

ELIZABETH MILLS, b. March 19, 1857; member of the Faculty of Oxford Sem., O.

WILLIAM SHEDD, b. Jan. 25, 1860.

10. DAVID BRAINERD NELSON, m. *Jane C. Baird* of Newark Valley, N.Y., Dec. 28, 1848; both understood to be living, and, for some years past, in Elmira, N.Y. He was for many years a teacher; since an inventor of useful agricultural implements. Formerly a dea. in the Pres. ch., but latterly one in the Cong. ch. Their chn.:—

FANNY JANE, b. Aug. 18, 1850; d. same day.

EMILY ALMIRA, b. June 23, 1852; preceptress of Nat. Science, Elmira High School. This is my intelligent correspondent, before referred to.

11. SAMUEL WORCESTER NELSON, m. *Amanda Griffin* of Richford, N.Y., July, 1849. He was a merchant, and dea. of the Pres. ch., in Hosford, N.Y., where he d. April 4, 1871. I suppose his wf. still survives. Their chn.:—

FRANCES AMANDA, b. April 3, 1851; d. April, 1866.

FRANKLIN, b. and d., no date given.

CHARLES WORCESTER, b. Sept. 2, 1855; supt. telegraph and train despatches on the Southern Central R.R.; res. Auburn, N.Y.

12. WILLIAM TRACY NELSON, d., as aforesaid, in infancy.

There were 75 descendants of Dea. Seth Nelson, jun., in 1879. Of these, all but one or two of those who have arrived at adult years are regular members of orthodox churches. It is said that there is not one among them of intemperate or vicious habits. Most of them are evidently of more than ordinary intellectual standing; and, as to aptitude for deaconship, it would be hard to find their parallel in any of our lineages. In this case I have again transcended my general limitations by carrying my genealogical specifications abroad. And I have done so for the same reasons as in Paul Nelson's case. Such expansions may seem to aggravate the size of this volume, but perhaps a few of them may not detract from its value.

NELSON, Rev. LEVI[6] (Seth,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas [1]), b. Aug. 8, 1779; youngest son of the 1st Dea. Seth; sought a liberal education, partly in B. U. and partly in Williams Col., but was prevented by ill health from ever graduating. Converted in 1795 while preparing for col., and resolved to devote himself to the ministry; he was much frustrated by continuous poor health, but studied divinity with Dr. Emmons of Franklin, and was finally approbated. In 1803 he was commissioned by the Mass. Miss. Society, to labor six months in Oneida and Lewis Co's., N.Y., but was unable to preach more than sixteen weeks. He preached afterwards two months in Tewksbury, and then in Lisbon, Ct. There he gave such satisfaction that he recd. a call to set., and was ordained pastor Dec. 5, 1804. He was a member of the Cong. ch. here, and evidently a favorite; for they gave him a hearty recommendation to the Lisbon people, and sent two delegates with their pastor, Rev. Mr. Long, to assist in his ordination. He m., 1st, *Abigail Tyler* of Mendon; cer. April 17, 1805, by Rev. David Long. She d. 1806, leaving an infant dr., whose name I have not ascertained. That dr. lived to be m., Jan., 1826, but d. the June following. Rev. Levi m., 2d, *Mary Hale* of Franklin, Ct., dr. of Joseph Hale, Coventry, Ct. She d. childless, May 2, 1851. So Rev. Levi left no posterity. He d. in Lisbon, Ct., 1855, a. 77 yrs., and in the 52d yr. of his ministry. He is said to have preached 5,700 different sermons, several of which were published, besides other productions of his pen. He was a

stanch old-school theologian, and bequeathed $1,000 to his parish on condition that they should not set. as his successor a man embracing the "New Haven Theology."

NELSON, NEWELL, Esq.[7] (Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 20, 1784; m. *Betsey Kelley*, dr. of Luke and Hannah (Drusey) Kelley, b. April 18, 1786; cer., and by whom, not found. Intention of m. dated March 8, 1806. Their chn.: —

FRANCIS DRAKE, b. Dec. 15, 1806; m. Lydia T. Pond; d. Colesburg, Ia., June 4, 1849.

ELIZA WING, b. July 4, 1808; d. unm., Aug. 6, 1835.

SALLY TORREY, b. June 5, 1810; m. Willis Graves, April 20, 1836; d. Nov. 28, 1841.

OTIS TORREY, b. Sept. 15, 1812; well-known fellow-citizen; always res. Mil.

SYLVANIA KELLEY, b. Sept. 13, 1815; m. Rufus Claflin, Oct. 7, 1849.

SAMUEL, b. Jan. 3, 1818; has res. little in town since manhood.

DAVID, b. Nov. 21, 1819; our well-known citizen on his fr's. homestead.

HANNAH, b. July 5, 1822; d. Oct. 1, 1844.

NEWELL NEWTON, b. July 25, 1825; also our well-known citizen on the homestead.

A worthy family, parents and chn. Newell Nelson, Esq., deserves an honorable eulogy. He was a man of sterling natural ability and moral integrity. He was a stanch lover of truth, justice, human rights, and the public welfare. He was sagacious to learn what he needed to know, resolute to put it in practice, and firm to maintain his convictions of right: a man of exemplary uprightness, sound judgment, and solid usefulness. He struggled manfully against considerable disadvantages, rose by merit to the respectful appreciation of his fellow-citizens, and proved himself eminently trustworthy in all the relations of life. As a land-surveyor, a settler of estates, a referee in controversies, and a responsible municipal officer, he long commanded public confidence throughout this general vicinity. He was commissioned justice of the peace, Jan. 30, 1830, by Gov. Levi Lincoln, and creditably discharged the duties of that office for twenty-one years. He was, however, a man of little pretension, and averse to all ostentatious display; a plain, homespun, frugal, economical husbandman — not ashamed to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow — who wanted his own rights and dues, and was scrupulous to render to others theirs. His deafness during declining life was a great privation, which he deeply felt, but bore with commendable patience. He lived to the good old age of almost 85 yrs. He sunk at length under the complicated infirmities of age, and d. Jan. 26, 1869. His worthy companion had preceded him by seven yrs., having d. Jan. 9, 1862. Let not this memorial notice be construed to the disparagement, in the writer's mind, of other excellent citizens less known to him, of whom he has thought proper to say little or nothing.

NELSON, SAMUEL, Jun.[7] (Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Oct. 17, 1789; m. *Cynthia Aldrich*, Dec. 6, 1812; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of George Aldrich, Mendon; other particulars not traced. I understand him to have set. in Hallowell, Me., as a merchant, afterwards in Portland, to have had several chn., and finally, to have d. a few yrs. since in Galveston, Tex. Family no further traced.

NELSON, JOSEPH[7] (Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 29, 1791; m. *Lydia Hayward* of Upton. They removed to New York City, where they had two sons and four drs. Not traced. He d. March 5, 1854.

Yours Truly
Nelson

NELSON, NATHANIEL TORREY[7] (Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Nov. 15, 1799; m. *Silence Kenny* of Sutton. Bride's parentage, birth-date, and other particulars of marriage, not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

ADELIA, b. Oct. 13, 1824, in New York City; m. Ezekiel Taylor.

ELIZA, b. April 23, 1826; m. George Fox, May 9, 1847.

ANGELINA, b. March 16, 1829; m., 1st, Jona. C. Bradford, Dec. 25, 1855; 2d, Charles P. Skillings.

MARIA, b. June 10, 1832; d. March 21, 1838.

GEORGE HENRY, b. Dec. 1, 1833; res. in Holl.

CHARLES NEWELL, b. April 29, 1836; m. *Mary Ellen Wales*, Dec. 25, 1872; res. Mil.

Two infants, unnamed on record, d., one April 20, 1839, the other dateless. Honest, industrious people. The fr. d. Sept. 13, 1840. The mr., April 9, 1859. They res. in Sutton, New York, and Mil., but mostly here.

NELSON, HENRY, Jun.[7] (Henry,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]); records blind and meagre; birth not found, and of marriage, only wf's. name *Sarah*. Two chn. are found: —

SAMUEL, b. May 7, 1811; what became of him not ascertained.

CLARISSA, b. Dec. 4, 1812; nothing ascertained.

NELSON, LEVI[7] (Stephen,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Sarah Park*, Sept. 21, 1806; cer. by Rev. D. Long. Parentage and birth-date not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

STEPHEN ATWOOD, b. March 22, 1807; understood to have d. in our Asylum.

HOLLOWAY TAYLOR, b. Dec. 9, 1808; believed to have d. some yrs. ago.

The fr. d., date not found; and the mr. d. Dec. 27, 1834. An undesirable fortune seems to have overhung this family.

NELSON, CAPT. HENRY[7] (Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Sept. 2, 1786; adopted, as his heir, by Samuel Jones, Esq.; m. *Catherine Parkhurst*, Jan. 17, 1810; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. Aug. 19, 1789. Their chn.: —

WARREN J., b. Nov. 25, 1810; went West, and d. many years ago.

MARIA, b. Feb. 21, 1813; m. Oliver B. Parkhurst, Mil., May 12, 1833.

CATHERINE, b. Oct. 17, 1815; d. April 26, 1818.

NANCY PARKHURST, b. Feb. 15, 1818; m. Samuel Frink, jun., 1840.

ANGELINA PARKHURST, b. Dec. 4, 1821; m. Daniel S. Chapin, Mil., April 13, 1842.

CATHERINE, b. Aug. 21, 1824.

CHARLOTTE HELEN, b. Aug. 15, 1827; m., 1st, Rev. L. P. Rand, Orono, Me., 1847; 2d, Arba Nelson.

Capt. Harry Nelson, familiarly so called, was first set. on the Esq. Jones homestead in N. Purchase, where, I think, all his chn. were b. He had the honor, in his prime, of commanding the Mil. Artillery Co., was elected first and last to various responsible town offices, and, through a long life, was a much respected citizen. He and his worthy wife lived to celebrate their golden wedding in 1860, — an interesting occasion, which I well remember as a guest. He sold his N. Purchase homestead, moved into the Centre, and was for a time landlord of the Sumner Hotel. Later he established himself and family in a home on the lower common, where he spent the evening of his days. His wf. d., date not given; and he, July 22, 1874, in his 88th yr.

NELSON, Dr. JOHN[7] (Josiah, jun.,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Sept. 8, 1790; studied medicine, and became a successful practising physician, settling as such in Carlisle. He m. *Lucinda Parkhurst* of his native town, July 6, 1812; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Jonas and Mary (Nelson) Parkhurst, and b., as our records have it, Dec. 20, 1786. Their only offspring recorded here was, —

ALBERT HOBART, b. March 12, 1812; who rose to distinction in Middlesex Co. as lawyer and judge, and later to be chief justice of Suffolk Co. Superior Court.

NELSON, FRANCIS DRAKE[8] (Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 15, 1806; m. *Lydia Thurber Pond*, April 5, 1832; cer. by the writer. She was the dr. of Barzillai and Lydia (Wheelock) Pond, and b. in Mil., Oct. 30, 1809. Issue: —

DANIEL THURBER, b. Sept. 16, 1839; grad. Am. Col., 1861; now M.D., Chicago, Ill.

The fr. d. June 4, 1849, in Colesburg, Ia. His worthy wid., Mrs. Lydia, still survives, and has a good home with her son, Dr. Daniel T. Nelson, Chicago, Ill.

NELSON, DANIEL THURBER, M.D.[9] (Francis Drake,[8] Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Mil , Sept. 16, 1839; great-nephew, on the maternal side, of the celebrated Dr. Daniel Thurber; grad. from Amherst College and from Harvard Medical School; m. *Sarah Helen Travis*, dr. of Clark and Ede G. (Bacon) Travis, b. in Lempster, N.H., Aug. 11, 1834; cer. in Boston, Nov. 24, 1862, by Rev. J. T. Tucker. Issue: —

LILLIAN TRAVIS, b. Chicago, Ill., July 1, 1866.

FRANCIS CLARK, b. Chicago, Ill., June 6, 1869.

FLORA HELEN, b. Chicago, Ill., Sept. 30, 1871.

EDGAR DANIEL, b. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 26, 1874; d. June 3, 1874.

LOTTIE MAY, b. Chicago, Ill., Oct. 28, 1875; d. Oct. 23, 1880.

The doctor set. in Chicago, perhaps 1861. Professional, social, and religious standing high.

NELSON, OTIS TORREY[8] (Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Sept. 15, 1812; m., 1st, *Laura Maria Chapin*, May 3, 1838; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Amos and Harriot (Stowell) Chapin of Mil., and b. Nov. 27, 1812. Their chn.: —

HENRY EDWIN, b. May 3, 1839; d. Dec. 24, 1858, much lamented.

MARY ELIZA, b. June 23, 1841; m. Charles D. Brown.

The mr. d. Aug. 23, 1844, much beloved and lamented. He m., 2d, *Hannah Harkness Taft* of Mendon, Feb. 25, 1846; cer. by the writer. She was a dr. of Thomas and Mercy (Harkness) Taft, and b. June 4, 1824. Their chn.: —

ELLEN MARIA, b. June 19, 1847; m. Stephen Alonzo Cook, Jan. 24, 1872.

ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 11, 1849; m. William Augustus White, Oct. 2, 1871.

LOUISA KELLY, b. Dec. 27, 1854; d. Dec. 18, 1873.

ANNA FRANCES, b. Nov. 6, 1856.

HENRIETTA E., b. May 1, 1861.

THOMAS OTIS, b. Jan. 30, 1864.

Mr. Nelson res. on a part of what was the Dea. Amos Chapin place, anciently the Joshua Chapin place. He has dwelt on his premises 34 yrs. He is a substantial and respected citizen. Both his wives and all his children have done honor to their worthy ancestry.

NELSON, SAMUEL[8] (Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Jan. 3, 1818; m., 1st, *Lavinia Smith Thayer*, dr. of Otis and Mercy (Paine) Thayer, b. Mendon, Jan., 1818; cer. Mendon, Thanksgiving Day, Nov., 1840, by Benjamin Davenport, Esq. Their chn.:—

SARAH ELIZA, b. Mendon, Jan. 27, 1841; m. Theophilus Doggett; he d. in the war. She d. Boston, July 26, 1881.

LAVINIA THAYER, b. Mendon, Oct. 16, 1843; m. Melbourne A. Vant, Jan. 28, 1862.

HANNAH MARIA, b. Blackstone, Feb. 22, 1848; d. Jan. 24, 1876.

ALICE AMELIA, b. Blackstone, Sept., 1852; d. July 22, 1859.

Having been legally separated from Mrs. Lavinia, the hus. m., 2d, *Julia Warner;* parentage, birth-place, birth-date, mge.-date, etc., not ascertained. No chn. Res. in Detroit, Mich., where, I hear, they are in prosperous circumstances.

NELSON, DAVID[8] (Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Nov. 21, 1819; m. *Charlotte Louisa Travis*, dr. of Clark and Ede G. (Bacon) Travis, b. Roxbury, Sept. 1, 1826; cer. Holl., April 15, 1850, by Rev. J. T. Tucker. Their chn.:—

CALLIE LOUISA, b. Holl., Oct. 18, 1857; m. Herbert A. Hixon, Dec. 6, 1881.

HENRY DAVID, b. Holl., Sept. 29, 1861; entered H. University, autumn, 1880.

An excellent and highly respected family. The parents occupy the paternal homestead in unison with Newell N. and his family. They exemplify together good husbandry, good citizenship, and an upright life.

NELSON, NEWELL NEWTON[8] (Newell,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 25, 1825; m. *Harriet Newell Johnson*, dr. of Samuel and Lucy Johnson, b. Cornish, N.H., Jan. 25, 1828; cer. in Windsor, Vt., May 24, 1852, by Rev. Franklin Butler. Issue, 1 son:—

SAMUEL NEWELL, b. Mil., May 19, 1856; grad. from H. U., 1878; and from Harvard Med. School, 1881.

An estimable family of many virtues, this only son one of bright promise.

NELSON, JAMES MADISON[7] (Ezra,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Nov. 24, 1809; went West, 1836, and set. Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. *Abba Gray Bridge*, dr. of John and Sarah (Stearns) Bridge, b. Boston, May, 1810; cer. in Trinity Ch., Boston, June, 1839, by Rev. Bishop Clark of R.I. He is a large manufacturer of furniture, an enterprising business man, an influential citizen, and of very respectable social standing. Their chn.:—

SARAH STEARNS, b. 1840; m. Stephen H. Ballard, Sept. 24, 1867.

ABBIE REBECCA, b. 1843; m. Rev. M. P. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.

CAROLINE BRIDGE, b. 1846; m. Charles W. Wright, June 28, 1870.

CHARLOTTE GRAY, b. Sept. 13, 1849.

Sarah S. and Stephen H. Ballard of Grand Rapids have had b. to them,—

ANNA MARGARETTA, b. July 5, 1867.

CAROLINE NELSON, b. March 16, 1871.

CHARLOTTE EMELINE, b. Feb. 20, 1874.

The chn. of Abbie R. and Rev. M. P. Jones are, JAMES MARSTON NELSON, b. Feb. 18, 1869, and MARTIMAN BRIDGE NELSON, b. March 1, 1870.

NELSON, GEORGE CLINTON[7] (Ezra,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 24, 1812; went West 1836, and set. Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. *Mary Elizabeth Taylor*, b. Rochester, N.Y., May 12, 1818; her parentage not given, nor date of mge. Their chn.:—

GEORGE KENT, b. July 1, 1842; m. Henrietta Porter Thompson, Sept. 20, 1876.

JAMES FRANCIS, b. Dec. 13, 1847; m. Julia Adel Boardman, Oct. 17, 1872.

These last are the parents of one child, — James Kent, who was b. Aug. 7, 1874. These families, elder and younger, are understood to be enterprising in business, and of eminently good standing in their vicinage.

NELSON, MARY MURILLA[7] (Ezra,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., with a twin-sister, April 17, 1815; went West with her bros., and m. at Grand Rapids, Mich., A. Hosford Smith; cer. April 2, 1839. Their chn.: —

WALTER D., b. April 20, 1842.

MARTHA NELSON, b. Aug. 11, 1844; m. Robert Baylies, Nov. 28, 1865.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. April 24, 1846; m. John B. White, Nov. 1, 1866.

FREDERICK, b. Aug. 24, 1848.

The chn. of Martha Nelson and Robert Baylies, b. Englewood, N.J., are, —

ROBERT NELSON, b. March 16, 1867.

CHESTER, b. Oct. 9, 1870.

ELLA HOSFORD, b. Jan. 31, 1872.

WILLIAM, b. Oct. 11, 1874.

Mary Elizabeth Smith and John B. White have had, at G. Rapids, —

MINNIE CHAMBERLAIN, b. Dec. 3, 1867.

I have inserted Mary M. (Nelson) Smith's family record in this place because kindly furnished with the same, and I wished to preserve it.

NELSON, EZRA THAYER[7] (Ezra,[6] Josiah,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., May 9, 1823; went West with his older bros. about 1836 or 1837; m. *Augusta Maria Valentine* of Hopkinton, b. Oct. 31, 1824; cer. Oct. 9, 1848; further particulars not given. He is in successful business in the same firm of fine furniture manufacturers with James M. Nelson, at Grand Rapids, Mich., where the following named chn. were born: —

ANNE VALENTINE, b. Aug. 3, 1849; m. Charles M. McLaren, Dec. 15, 1874.

ISABEL AUGUSTA, b. May 7, 1854; m. Frederick R. Blount, Feb. 21, 1878.

ELIZABETH GOOCH, b. Feb. 28, 1855; d. Sept. 2, 1855.

LOUISE MAUD, b. Jan. 18, 1860.

Anne V. (Nelson) McLaren and her husband have become the parents of one dr., LOUISE, b. in Grand Rapids, Oct. 7, 1875.

NELSON, CHARLES PLUMB, son of John and Betsey (Plumb) Nelson, and gd. son of James, b. Montpelier, Vt., Feb. 22, 1832; m. *Chloris C. Cummings*, dr. of Royal and Ruth K. (Aldrich) Cummings, b. Douglas, April 15, 1831; cer. in Mendon, June 8, 1854, by Rev. William Pentecost. Their chn.: —

HENRY E., b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1855; m. Addie M. Rogers, Nov. 30, 1876.

ROSA M., b. Mil., May 7, 1861.

CLARA F., b. Mil., April 12, 1877; d. April 12, 1877.

Mr. Nelson is a boot-finisher; an excellent citizen, and a stanch, intelligent Methodist Christian. I presume the wf. and family are of like worthy character. I have an impression that there is or was more of this branch of Nelsons in town, but I have not a genealogical knowledge of the facts.

NELSON, WILLIAM, of Mendon, is an elder bro. of Charles P.

NELSON, JOHN, of this town, is his younger bro.; unm.; bootmaker.

NELSON, CHARLES NEWELL[8] (Nathaniel T.,[7] Samuel,[6] Gershom,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Gershom,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 29, 1836; mr.'s maiden name,

Silence Kenny; m. *Mary Ellen Wales*, dr. of Wainwright and Emily (Pierce) Wales, b. Braggville, May 6, 1845; cer. in Hopedale, Dec. 25, 1872, by the writer. Issue: —

Effie Adelia, b. Mil., Feb. 15, 1876.

Grace Lurene, b. Mil., March 29, 1878.

Mr. Nelson informs me that Effie Adelia is the dr. of his bro. George H. Nelson. His wf. d. when Effie was a babe; and he gave the motherless one to Charles N. and Mary Ellen Nelson, who have fostered and loved her as their own. They are worthy, kind-hearted people. Mr. Nelson is an industrious bootmaker and orderly citizen, who has res. in Mil. over 45 yrs. He says his bro. George H. res. in Holl., but I have received no report of his family record.

NEWHALL, Capt. Albert, pedigree and birth-date not ascertained; m. *Amanda M. Chapin*, dr. of Dea. Nathan and Lucretia (Parkhurst) Chapin, b. July 31, 1807; cer. Sept. 18, 1827, by Rev. Benjamin Wood of Upton. Issue: —

Mary Jane, b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1830.

Francis Albert, b. Mil., Feb. 14, 1833. See "War-Record of the Rebellion."

Samuel Chapin, b. Mil., Sept. 22, 1840; d. June 7, 1842.

Charles W., b. Mil., Oct. 15, 1844; photographer. See "War-Record."

I am not sure that these four chn. are all that were born to Capt. Newhall and wf., having received no report of family record or help from the relatives. He was a man of portly presence, a mason by occupation, and had the honor of commanding the "Lafayette Guards" next after Col. Lewis Johnson, their first captain. He d. April 25, 1863, a. 61 yrs. and a few days; which indicates him to have been b. in 1802. Mrs. Amanda, his wid., survives, and, if I mistake not, her two above-named chn.

NEWHALL, Capt. Morton, bro. of the preceding, a later commander of the "Lafayette Guards;" m. *Matilda Thayer*, dr. of Col. Ichabod and Matilda (Gould) Thayer, b. Mil., Feb. 19, 1808; cer. Dec. 20, 1827, by Rev. D. Long.

If I could have been favored by some one with the family record, I might speak authentically and accurately of the chn. born to Capt. Morton Newhall and wf.; but I have not, and am getting too near the end of my work to make the necessary inquiries. I know them to have had 3 chn.; viz., —

James Morton.

Ellen Matilda, wf. of James M. Warfield.

Sarah A., b. Aug. 13, 1835; m. Silas Cheney, July 1, 1878.

If there are others, I am not informed concerning them. The parents had a domicile, for some yrs., below So. Mil., in the easterly part of Mendon, which was destroyed by fire. At other times they had their res. in town. If I do not misrecollect, the hus. and fr. was, like his bro., by occupation a mason, but am not quite sure. The family sustained a respectable standing in society. My impression is, that both have passed away; but I have no knowledge of particulars.

NEWTON, Azariah, pedigree untraced; m. *Sarah Jones*, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Priscilla (Corbett) Jones, birth-date not found; cer. Feb. 20, 1745-46, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

Ichabod, bap. April 5, 1747, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

I do not find any other offspring on the records I have examined. The parents were received into our Cong. ch., April 5, 1747. Mr. Newton d. Nov. 1, 1794, a. 75 yrs. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. July 17, 1808.

NEWTON, ICHABOD, son of Azariah and Sarah (Jones) Newton, b. 1747; m. *Rhoda Chapin*, dr. of Josiah and Rachel Chapin, b. 1752; cer. Jan. 12, 1769, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

RACHEL, b. 1769; d. Jan. 22, 1778, in her 10th year.

ABEL, b. 1771; d. Jan. 29, 1778, a. 7 yrs.

CHLOE, b. 1773; d. Feb. 5, 1778, in her 4th year.

PHEBE, b. May 24, 1777; m. Elisha Daniels, May 23, 1799.

It will be seen that these parents were bereft of 3 chn. within the same fortnight. The fr. d. Feb. 5, 1778, on the same day with his dr. Chloe; which made 4 deaths within the fortnight. What became of the wid., I have found no trace. I suspect she may have m. again, and d. at last in some other locality.

NEWTON, JASON, pedigree untraced; m. *Hannah Warren*, perhaps a dr. of Samuel and Hannah (Beard) Warren; cer. June 9, 1757, by Rev. A. Frost. They had 1 son bap. here by Mr. Frost; viz., —

SAMUEL, Jan. 27, 1760.

No further traced.

NEWTON, DANIEL, and wf. *Elizabeth*, are credited with —

MELVILLE P., b. Dec. 1, 1837.

PHILO AUGUSTUS, b. Aug. 1, 1839.

ALFRED MORTON, b. Aug. 11, 1842; d. March 8, 1843.

This family no further traced.

NEWTON, DAVID, son of Hull and Betsey Newton, b. 1826; m. *Sarah Jane Scott*, dr. of Lemuel and Ruth (Guild) Scott, b. 1830; cer. in Hopedale, Jan. 10, 1850, by the writer. No chn. to my knowledge. Mrs. Sarah perished in the great fire of Jan. 23, 1871. I think her hus. d. some time before this catastrophe.

NEWTON, BENJAMIN, and wf. *Lucy A.* (*Peirce*), had a large family, among whom I may name GEORGE B., HENRY W., ORRIN G., and LEVI L. There are others of the family whose names I do not recollect. Mrs. Lucy, the mr., d. April 6, 1881, in her 70th year.

Several Newtons appear in our directories from 1869 downward; but our printers are pushing on behind me, and I must make haste, though I leave names in silent omission which I would willingly notice.

NICHOLS, JOSEPH D., and *Harriet*, had born to them here, as recorded, —

OLIVE AMANDA, b. Nov. 29, 1836.

HENRY STAFFORD, b. March 19, 1839.

ALBERT RATHBON, b. Nov. 22, 1840.

NICHOLS, JOHN, and *Maria*, had, —

MARY SOPHIA, b. July 19, 1842; m., 1st, Sylvester B. Howard, Nov. 29, 1866. Mr. Howard d. May 1, 1868; and Mrs. Mary m., 2d, William Warfield, Nov. 30, 1870. Both cer. by the writer.

Neither of the above families further traced or reported.

NORCROSS, PETER, by 1st wf. *Elizabeth*, had, —

DANIEL, b. Oct. 9, 1743; m. Abigail Chapin, Oct. 30, 1765.

Peter, the fr., afterwards m. *Joanna Morse*, dr. of Nathaniel and Mary (Lovett) Morse; cer. July 21, 1748, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue :—

MARY, bap. Oct. 7, 1750.

NATHANIEL, bap. May 9, 1751.

HANNAH, bap. Sept. 8, 1754; m. Amos Shepherdson, Oct. 1, 1778.

Peter Norcross had his family homestead on a tract of land which he bought of Isaac and Jonas Parkhurst in 1737, containing about 42 acres. As

nearly as I can determine from the deed, it was situated between Purchase and Congress Sts., on what is now Fountain St. Perhaps Fountain St. runs through it in part, or near its southern border. He afterwards purchased several acres of Isaac Parkhurst east of Purchase St., and south of now Dilla St. I do not learn much concerning this family from the old records more than that they belonged to the Cong. ch., and were of general good repute; nor have I chanced to find any of their death-dates.

NORCROSS, DANIEL, eldest son of Peter, b. Oct. 9, 1743; m. *Abigail Chapin*, dr. of Josiah and Rachel Chapin, b. 1747; cer. Oct. 30, 1765, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

JOEL, b. Nov. 9, 1767.
JOSIAH, b. April 23, 1769.
BENJAMIN, b. March 6, 1771; d. Dec. 8, 1807.
ELIJAH, b. May 12, 1774.
DANIEL, Jun., b. June 29, 1777.
ARCHELAUS, b. Oct. 12, 1779; and CHAPIN, b. July 28, 1782.

I am unable to trace this family further.

NOYES, CYRUS, son of John and Abigail (Moody) Noyes, b. in Tunbridge, Vt., July 21, 1820; m. *Maria Elmira Lothrop*, dr. of Charles and Mary (Johnson) Lothrop, b. Cornish, N.H., Feb. 13, 1826; cer. in Acton, June 19, 1845, by Rev. Ebenezer Dyer. Issue: —

IDELLA ROZINA, b. Acton, April 9, 1847; m. Prof. Reuel B. Clark, July 24, 1867.
MARY ELIZABETH, b. Acton, June 13, 1849; m., 1st, Dr. Robert B. Harris, 1869; 2d, F. Bradford, 1876.
VELMA VIETTA, b. Acton, Jan. 19, 1853; m. W. F. Spaulding, Nov. 26, 1873.
LILLIENNE LOTHROP, b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1867.

Grandchn.: —

LOUISA IDELLA CLARK, b. Fitchburg, June 29, 1871.
LILLIE VELMA SPAULDING, b. Boston, March 9, 1879; d. same day.

An intelligent and worthy family, in good social standing. They have res. in Acton, Millbury, and, since 1855, in Mil. Mr. Noyes is an enterprising, reliable, and successful dealer in paints, oil, house-paper, doors, sashes, blinds, etc., in Church Block.

O'CONNELL, MURTY, son of John and Julia (Danby) O'Connell, b. in Cahirciveen, Kerry Co., Ireland, July 9, 1833; m. *Julia Katen*, Dec. 22, 1862, in said Kerry Co.; cer. by Rev. Father Fitzmorris. She was a dr. of John and Hanna (Sullivan) Katen, b. in said Kerry Co., May 16, 1842. They came first to Norwich, Ct., in the yr. 1866; remained there 1 yr., and then removed to this town. Their chn. were, —

JOHN, b. in Wales, Eng., Aug. 18, 1863.
HONORA, b. in Wales, Eng., June 18, 1864; d. at the age of 18 mos.
PATRICK, b. Norwich, Ct., Aug. 16, 1866.
MARY ANN, b. Mil., Aug. 19, 1868.
MICHAEL, b. Mil., June 14, 1870.
JOHANNA, b. Mil., April 22, 1872.
DANIEL, b. Mil., April 18, 1874.
JULIA, b. Mil., April 16, 1877.

Their little homestead is on Adin St., near Hopedale; very sober, industrious, exemplary parents and promising chn. Among the best of our Irish-American families.

OLDS, JOHN W., pedigree, birth-place, etc., not ascertained; m. *Louisa Wormwell* of Mil.; pedigree, etc., unknown to me; cer. in Mil., Sept. 6, 1836, by the writer. I have entirely lost track of them for some yrs., and also of his sister, Clarissa Olds. They res. more or less in Mil. They were well-disposed people.

OLDS, CYRUS, house 74 Main St.; appears in directories for 1869, '72, '75.

OLIVER, SAMUEL, son of Stephen and Mary (Tucker) Oliver, b. Roxbury, Nov. 8, 1800; m. *Hannah Pond*, dr. of Abner and Elizabeth (French) Pond, b. Mil., Sept. 10, 1801; cer. Nov. 6, 1825, by the writer. No issue. Two chn. by adoption: —

SAMUEL POND OLIVER, son by birth of Abner F. and Mary L. (Sumner) Pond, b. May 12, 1836; m. Fannie Cummings, Upton, July, 1881.

MARY AUGUSTA PRATT OLIVER, a dr. by birth of one of Mr. Oliver's sisters, b. Dover, N.H., Dec. 17, 1827; m. Charles F. Witherell, Mil., July 11, 1849; had 6 chn., and d. Nov. 29, 1867.

Mr. Oliver was an active citizen in town affairs, and was mostly engaged through life in the boot business. He d. suddenly, March 9, 1874. His venerable and respected wid. still survives.

OLIVER, EDWARD H., a younger bro. of Samuel; m. *Roxana Whittemore* of Hop., July, 1844. Issue, at least, 3 chn.; viz., —

CLARENCE H., bootmaker.

S. EDWARD, sole-leather cutter; and CARRIE A., milliner.

No report from any of these as to birth-dates, mges., or deaths. I understand that Edward H. Oliver d. about 5 yrs. ago; and I see, by directory, that Mrs. Roxana still survives, residing 247 Main St.

OLIVER, ANDREW S., M.D., pedigree not ascertained; is a surgeon and homœopathic physician, recently set up in Post-office Block. Through ignorance I omitted his name from my list of our physicians.

ONION. This name is said to have been originally written O'Nion, and to have been borne by one of twelve Highland Scotchmen that set. in Dedham about the yr. 1634. His full name was Robert O'Nion. The apostrophe being at length dropped, the surname was resolved into Onion, — a metamorphosis not deemed delectable by some of the descendants. I have not the links of lineal descent at my command.

ONION, JONATHAN, son of Elihu and Catherine (Fisher) Onion, natives of Dedham; b. in 1803 or 1804; m. *Betsey Jenks*, dr. of James and Molly (Haskill) Jenks, b. in Cumberland, R.I., Dec. 13, 1803; particulars of cer. not given. Their chn.: —

STEPHEN JENKS, b. Bell., Feb. 5, 1827; m., 1st, Josephine Fisher; 2d, Rebecca Murdock.

LAURA ANN, b. Bell., April 24, 1829; m. David M. Brown; res. Milwaukie, Wis.

ELLEN MARIA, b. Medway, Jan. 7, 1836; m. William J. McLaughlin, 1857.

MARION AUGUSTA, b. Mil., March 28, 1838; d. Oct. 8, 1839.

EMILY AUGUSTA, b. Mil., Dec. 26, 1840; m. Benjamin H. Montague, Jan. 1, 1859.

ELDORA, b. Mil., date not given; survived but 5 ds.

Elihu, gd. fr. of these chn., was 18 yrs. old on the day the battle of Concord took place. On hearing the news, he and his fr. left their horses harnessed in the field, and hurried to the scene of conflict. They were ardent Revolutionaries. Mrs. Betsey, the wf. and mr., d. March 12, 1874, a. 70 yrs. Mr. O., the

hus. and fr., still survives, and finds a comfortable home with his dr., Mrs. Montague and hus. A worthy, well-disposed family, who know by experience the struggles of life.

ONION, STEPHEN JENKS[3] (Jonathan,[2] Elihu[1]), b. in Bell., Feb. 5, 1827; boot-maker; m., 1st, *Josephine Fisher*, further particulars not given, who d. July 13, 1851; 2d, *Rebecca Murdock*, dr. of Baxter and Emily (Gates) Murdock, b. in Swanzey, N.H., 1828; cer. at Hopedale, June 3, 1853, by the writer. Their chn.: —

LENA, b. March 25, 1854; d. at the age of 16 days.

EDWIN STEPHEN, b. Jan. 29, 1857; m. Ella May Hanson, Sept. 15, 1875.

JOSEPHINE FISHER, b. Feb. 27, 1863.

ANNIE LOUISE, b. June 14, 1869.

Mr. Onion has res. in town from boyhood, 44 yrs.; is by occupation a boot-treer; stands well among his bro. mechanics; is a respected citizen, and is the head of a reputable family. They res. 10 No. Bow St. They evince an apt genius for music.

ORMES, REUBEN, and *Almira Adams*, pedigrees untraced, were m. in No. Purchase, April 27, 1837, by Rev. Nathaniel Spindel. They are credited on our records previous to 1844 with the following-named chn.: —

AUGUSTA, b. June 13, 1838; and MARY A., b. July 20, 1842.

I see by our Directory for 1875 that the family then res. on Wales St.; and that CHARLIE A. ORMES, prob. a son, boarded there. What has become of them, or how many chn. there are, I have received no report to tell me. I see, too, that, —

ORMES, EUNICE, perhaps a near relative of Reuben, m. John Wales; cer. Oct. 21, 1841, by Rev. William Tozer.

OSGOOD, SIDNEY, and *Delia*, had recorded to them, —

DELIA, b. April 8, 1833; and MARINDA, b. Feb. 13, 1837.

Mrs. Delia, the mr., d. July 19, 1839. The family no further traced.

Among our worthy new-comers to Hopedale is, —

OSGOOD, TIMOTHY, son of Thomas E. and Sylvia (Lovejoy) Osgood, b. in Hebron, Grafton Co., N.H., Sept. 8, 1849; machinist; m. *Sarah Elizabeth French*, dr. of Dearborn and Margaret (Haynes) French, b. in Barnstead, N.H., Dec. 29, 1849; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Sept. 28, 1876, by Rev. Charles J. White. Issue: —

PAUL, b. and d. July 5, 1878; HARRY, b. and d. May 24, 1879. They have res. in Hopedale since May 4, 1880.

As Mr. Osgood kindly furnished me his fr.'s family record, perhaps it will be no great stretch of propriety to insert it.

OSGOOD, THOMAS EMERTON, son of Timothy and Deborah (Pierce) Osgood, b. Hebron, N.H., June 26, 1814; carpenter; m. *Sylvia Lovejoy*, dr. of Jacob and Betsey (Scales) Lovejoy, b. in Rehoboth, Mass., Oct. 14, 1823; cer. Rumney, N.H., Nov. 16, 1848, by Rev. Maxcy B. Newell. Issue: —

TIMOTHY, b. Hebron, N.H., Sept. 8, 1849; m. Sarah E. French, Sept. 28, 1876.

BETSEY JANE, b. Hebron, N.H., Feb. 3, 1851; m. John R. Bennett, Dec. 30, 1871.

CLARA SYLVIRA, DEBORAH PIERCE (twins), b. Hebron, N.H., Oct. 28, 1854; Clara m. Frank H. French, July 2, 1876; Deborah b. Hebron, N.H., Oct. 28, 1854.

JOSEPH LOVEJOY, b. Bristol, N.H., Dec. 8, 1858; m. Mary E. Cline, Aug. 30, 1879.

Mrs. Betsey, the mr., d. Dec. 13, 1858. The fr. is res. temporarily in Woonsocket, but considers Bristol, N.H., his proper home. He served the Union against the great rebellion, enlisting Aug., 1862, for 3 yrs. or during the war in the 12th Regt. N.H. Vols. He was wd. in right arm at battle of Chancellorsville, May 2, 1863, by a minie-ball. Also wd. in right leg at Drury's Bluff, Va., May 17, 1864; went into hospital, and was honorably discharged at Manchester, N.H., July 9, 1865. Two of his m. chn. now res. at Hopedale.

PAINE, NATHAN, son of Ebenezer and Cynthia (Bennett) Paine; b. in Montrose, Pa., Nov. 26, 1821; machinist; m. *Ellen Fisher*, dr. of Hosea T. and Amanda (Guild) Fisher, b. Wrentham, April 21, 1820; cer. in Wrentham, Nov. 26, 1843, by whom not given. Issue: —

EMILY, b. Dayton, O., Nov. 3, 1849; m. James Warren Winn, Nov. 17, 1869.

LOUIE W., b. Dayton, O., Feb. 29, 1852; d. Sept. 27, 1869.

This pair res. for several yrs. after mge. in Uxbridge, then from 1849 to 1855 in Dayton, O., and since 1855 continuously in Mil. They have sustained a respectable moral character in domestic, social, and business circles. Mr. Paine was an independent thinker in religious, as well as other matters, and theologically a sceptic, but none the less upright in his general ethics, and made himself many friends by solid worth. He had a very fine mechanical genius, both theoretical and practical. He was also an admirable instrumental musician, and was for several yrs. a member of the Milford Brass Band. His inventions, in respect to the sewing-machine needle, the improved clarinet, etc., were most remarkable, but not much more so than the very exquisite skill with which he executed the nicest mechanical work. He went to Europe a few years ago, and was a careful learner at the last World's Fair in Paris. He was reasonably successful in the pecuniary compensations of his ingenious achievements. He was senior partner in the firm of Paine & Brown for several yrs., but retired some little time since. Failing health ended in paralysis, and he d. rather suddenly March 12, 1881, in his 60th yr. He left a worthy wf., dr., son-in-law, and two grandsons.

PARKER, NATHANIEL, ptge. and ancestry not traced; b. Hop., Mar. 19, 1791; mr.'s maiden name Lois Bixby; m., 1st, *Polly Walker*, dr. of Joseph and Mehetabel (Gibbs) Walker, b. Hop., April 22, 1795; cer. Hop., May 31, 1813, by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. Their chn.: —

ALBERT, b. June 15, 1814; d. Sept. 28, 1817.

HORATIO, b. Oct. 2, 1816; d. 14 ds. old.

EMILY, b. Feb. 21, 1818; m. Hollis Howard; res. Mil.

MARIA, b. Oct. 21, 1820; m. Joseph Bates; res. E. Mendon.

AUGUSTA, b. March 5, 1823; m. Charles H. Fitch., Hop.; res. Worcester.

MEHETABEL WALKER, b. May 25, 1825; m. Elijah Pond, Wrentham.

JOSEPH FRANCIS, b. May 5, 1827; m. Ann Doremas; res. Western, N.Y.

DEXTER FRANKLIN, b. Aug. 2, 1828; m., 1st, Eliza Tuttle, Acton; 2d, Ellen Pierce, Worcester.

GEORGE CLAFLIN, b. Nov. 20, 1831; m. Ellen Stone, Worcester.

STILLBORN; b. June 6, 1834.

The 7 oldest of these were b. in Hop., the 8th in Boston, the 9th and 10th in Mil. The parents came from Boston to Mil. in 1832, where Dexter F. and Geo. C. were bap., by Rev. Mr. Long, Aug. 26, 1832. Mrs. Polly d. in confinement with her 10th child, June 6, 1834. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha Rockwood*, eldest dr. of Dea. Peter and Sabra (Parnell) Rockwood, b. March 16, 1810; cer. Dec. 17, 1834, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

HORACE, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1835; grad. Amherst Coll., 1861; Cong. clergyman.

Mr. Parker was naturally a capable, enterprising, ambitious man, but had to struggle hard in life, and went down under the embarrassments of unsuccessful business into temptation, mortification, and despair; finally terminating his mortal life with his own hand, Dec. 31, 1838. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall;" and let him not make haste to condemn the unfortunate. Mr. Parker left behind him chn. who have deserved well of the various circles in which they moved, and some of whom won honorable distinction in public life. Dexter Franklin was a member of the State Senate from Worcester Co. Central District for two yrs., and then went into the great war for the Union, where he lost his life. He d. major of the 10th Regt. Mass. Vols. (of mortal wounds recd. in battle), May 30, 1864, at Washington, D.C.

PARKER, GEORGE G., Esq., son of Asa and Ann Margaret (McCoristine) Parker, and gd. son of William Parker, a soldier of the Revolution, who fought under Col. Prescott at Bunker Hill; b. in Acton, June 19, 1826; grad. Union Coll., N.Y., 1852; admitted to the bar, Albany, N.Y., and later to Worcester Co. bar, 1856, having just located in Mil.; a highly respected and successful lawyer; an intelligent, estimable, and honored citizen, who represented our legislative district in the Gen. Court of 1876, and has rendered valuable service for several years on our school committee. He m. *Augusta Woodbury*, dr. of Rev. James T. and Mrs. Augusta (Porter) Woodbury, b. Medford, Aug. 25, 1832; cer. Mil., Dec. 26, 1854, by Rev. J. T. Woodbury. Issue:—

MARGARET AUGUSTA, b. March 6, 1862; d. June 26, 1864.

Mr. Parker has res. for short periods in Piqua, O., and Westfield, N.Y., but since 1856 in Mil.

PARKER, WILLIAM M., M D., bro. of George G., Esq.; b. Acton, June 15, 1828; grad. at the Berkshire Medical Institution in Pittsfield, 1853; practised medicine in Shutesbury from 1853 to 1858, where, during that period, he was a member of the town school-committee, and also surgeon to the 10th Regt. Mass. Vol. Militia from 1856 to 1860; came to Mil. 1858, and has practised here ever since with good success; is a member of the Mass. Medical Society, and also of the Mass. Medico-Legal Society, and holds the office of Medical Examiner for the Sixth Worcester Co. District, which includes Mil., Mendon, and Upton. He m. *Emma Talbot Day*, dr. of Cornelius and Annie Arnold (Gorton) Day, b. Cumberland, R.I., April 3, 1847; cer. Mil., June 25, 1872, by Rev. Henry A. Metcalf. Issue, 1 dr.:—

LILLIAN BLANCHE, b. Mil., April 8, 1873.

The social standing of the family accords with the doctor's eminence as a physician and citizen.

PARKER, WILLARD F., pedigree, etc., not ascertained; m. *Angelina Walker*, b. Mil., Jan. 17, 1816; cer. Mendon, Oct. 2, 1837, by the writer. Issue, so far as recorded here:—

GEORGIANA, b. Feb. 1, 1840.

COLUMBUS B., b. Nov. 25, 1841.

I lost track of this family some years since, and am unable to give further information concerning them.

MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

PARKER, ROBERT, here in 1856.

PARKER, JOSEPH. 1869, '72, '75.

PARKER, George, machinist. 1872.
PARKER, Reuben H. 1872, '75, '78.
PARKER, William, sole cutter. 1872, '75.
PARKER, Mrs. Kate S., fancy goods. 1872.
PARKER, Mrs. P. J., music teacher. 1872, down to '80.
PARKER, Miss Emma, dr. of the preceding. 1872.
PARKER, Mrs. Reuben H., millinery. 1878.

Perhaps a few others of the name here transiently.

PARKHURST. Our Parkhursts have been numerous and influential for more than a century. Their patriarchs on our territory were Isaac and Jonas, who set. here not far from 1735. They came hither from Weston, and were sons of John and Abigail (Morse) Parkhurst. Their father, by deeds of gift, Jan. 21, 1734–35, endowed each of them with 80½ acs. of land. He bought these 161 acs. in one tract, of Caleb Gardner, then of Newport, R.I., who had it of his bro. Richard Gardner, who had it of John Chapin, who had it of his father, Capt. Seth, who had it of Mendon proprietors. The tract was bounded northerly on land of John Jones (jun., I suppose, who then owned as far south as our present John Goldsmith's place); easterly by common land, Cedar Swamp, and "Second Bridge River," then so called; southerly on land of John Gardner (whose north line ran nearly where Main St. now does); and westerly on lands then owned mostly by Thomas Beard, Ebenezer Cheney, and John Peck. Provision was made for the road (not then laid) now known as School and Purchase Sts. A small portion of it lay west of that provisional road, but the bulk of it eastward towards the swamp and river, — extending all the way from nearly the line of "Sherborn Road, now Main St., northerly to the close vicinity of John Goldsmith's aforesaid. This goodly tract was the original patrimony of the Parkhursts, equally divided between Isaac and Jonas, with all proprietary rights thereunto belonging.

John Parkhurst, the father of Isaac and Jonas, was a son of John, who was the son of George, who was the son of George, an immigrant from England. It is not known just when he arrived on our shores. He first set. at Watertown. He probably came a widower with two chn., George and Phebe. He m., about 1645, the wid. Susanna Simpson, and moved to Boston, but was still a proprietor at Wat. Either he, or his son Geo., was admitted freeman, 1643. His son Geo. appears to have set. at Wat. He was twice m., 1st, to Sarah Brown, and 2d, to Mary Veazey. His son John was admitted freeman April 18, 1690. He m. Abigail Garfield; and they had 9 chn., the eldest being John, the father of Isaac and Jonas aforesaid.

PARKHURST, Dea. John[4] (John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), m. *Abigail Morse*, and set. in "Watertown Farms," *alias* Weston. Their chn. were, —

John, b. and d. 1695; another John, b. April 29, 1697.
Abigail, b. June 20, 1699; m. John Pike of Newbury, 1728.
Lydia, b. July 21, 1701; m. Joseph Stone of Framingham, 1723.
Elizabeth, b. April 5, 1704; d. Dec., 1732; unm.
Josiah, b. Feb. 9, 1706.
Isaac, b. July 9, 1708; our Milford patriarch.
Mary, b. July 15, 1710; m. Edmund Bailey of Newbury, 1731.
Jonas, b. Aug. 20, 1712; our other patriarch.
Jemima, b. June 5, 1715; m. Benjamin Bartlett, 1738.

The fr's. death not given; nor mr's. definitely enough to state.

PARKHURST, Isaac[5] (John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Wat., July 9,

1708; m. *Lydia Bigelow*, Feb. 7, 1733–34. She was a dr. of Joshua and Hannah (Fiske) Bigelow, b. in Weston, March 8, 1708, and was a sister of Hannah Bigelow, whose 1st hus. was Ebn'r Cheney, and her 2d, Ichabod Thayer. Also sister to Mary Bigelow that m. James Sumner. Also to Abigail, the wife of his bro. Jonas. Their chn. were, —

ISAAC, Jun., b. 1735; m. Martha Parmenter, May 31, 1758.
SARAH, b. 1737; m. Grindal Thayer of Mendon, 1767.
LYDIA, b. 1738; m. Ephraim Twitchell, Mil., April 13, 1769.
HANNAH, b. 1740; m. Levi Thayer, April 25, 1771.
ESTHER, b. 1741; m. Thomas Lowe, Mendon, April 25, 1776.
EBENEZER, b. 1743; m. Mercy Hill, Mendon, Dec. 27, 1768.
MERCY, b. 1746; m. Samuel Jones of this Precinct, March 26, 1766.
NATHAN, b. 1748; bap. by Rev. A. Frost of this Precinct, July 15, 1744.
MARTHA, b. 1749; m. Daniel White of this Precinct, Jan. 4, 1778.

I infer that the parents were first members of the ch. in Weston, whence they removed their relation to the First ch. in Mendon, and thence to the new ch. here in 1746. Their homestead was substantially identical with that now owned by Joseph L. Clark on Purchase St., though larger. I have not found the dates of their death.

PARKHURST, ISAAC[6] (Isaac,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), there is some obscurity and confusion about the date of his birth, but I have ventured to give it as above, 1735. He m. *Martha Parmenter*, whose pedigree I have not traced, May 31, 1758; cer. by Rev. Amariah Frost. They both d. in 1761, childless.

PARKHURST, EBENEZER[6] (Isaac,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. 1743; m. *Mercy Hill* of our then Precinct, who, I presume, was a dr. of John and Thankful (Underwood) Hill, b., perhaps, 1750 or thereabouts; cer. Dec. 22, 1768, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn. were, —

ELISHA, b. Feb. 27, 1770; d. in N.H., date not given.
SALLY, b. May 3, 1772; d. 1774.
LUCRETIA, b. Feb. 3, 1775; m. Dea. Nathan Chapin, Mil.
JOHN, b. March 24, 1777; lived and d. in Mil.
ALEXANDER, b. Aug. 22, 1779; lived and d. in Mil.
CHLOE, b. Nov. 11, 1781; m. Daniel Hemenway of Holl., Oct. 18, 1804.
ISAAC, b. July 20, 1785; m. his 2d cousin, Sarah Parkhurst.
LYDIA, b. April 6, 1787; m. Parley Rice of Brookfield.

They dwelt on the paternal homestead, now owned by Joseph L. Clark. The fr. d. Sept. 9, 1795; no record found of the mr's. death; a worthy couple and family.

PARKHURST, JOHN[7] (Isaac,[6] Isaac,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. March 24, 1777; m. *Lucy Jones*, said to be of Framingham, dr. of Nathaniel Alden and Lois (Claflin) Jones, b. Oct. 26, 1781; cer. Nov. 25, 1802, by Rev. David Long. An only child: —

SALLY GODFREY, b. May 2, 1806; m. Col. Lewis Johnson.

The fr. d. July 15, 1831; the mr. Nov. 25, 1855. Well esteemed in society.

PARKHURST, Isaac[7] (Isaac,[6] Isaac,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. July 20, 1785; m. *Sarah*, dr. of Capt. Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. Jan. 13, 1792; cer. June 16, 1810, by Rev. David Long. Their chn. were, —

RUSSELL, b. Nov. 4, 1810.
WINSLOW, b. Feb. 7, 1813. The parents mvd. West, and there had Augustus, William, Charles, Lemuel, George W., etc. No further traced.

PARKHURST, Alexander[7] (Isaac,[6] Isaac,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Aug. 22, 1779; m. *Polly, alias Mary*, dr. of Ichabod and Mary (Marsh) Thayer, b. May 1, 1785; cer. April 20, 1806, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn. were, —

Ursula, b. Sept. 5, 1807; d. in infancy. Also Ichabod.

Willard Alexander, b. July 15, 1810; is, or recently was, res. in Somerville.

Joanna Maria, b. March 5, 1814; m. Ezra Perry of Holl.

Libbeus Gould, b. Sept. 22, 1816; d. young.

John Millon, b. June 26, 1818; kept store at one time in town, but d. in Watertown.

The fr. d. Dec. 12, 1819; the mr. Jan. 8, 1822. They were members of the Cong. ch., and their chn. were christened by Rev. Mr. Long. He was a wheelright by occupation; and I am told that they d. in the Stephen Chapin house, opposite the Sylvanus Adams place, within two yrs. of each other.

PARKHURST, Jonas[5] (John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Aug. 20, 1712; m., 1st, *Abigail Bigelow*, dr. of Joshua and Hannah (Fiske) Bigelow, b. in Weston, 1712 or 1713; date of mge. not found. Admitted to Cong. ch. here, by letter from Weston, Oct. 4, 1747. Their chn. were, —

Esther, b. June 22, 1741; m. Jonathan Whitney, 1760.

Ephraim, b. Dec. 27, 1743; m. Jemima Hayward of Bell.

Nathaniel, b. March 7, 1746; m. Sarah Brown; lived and d. in Mil.

Jonas, Jun., b. April 12, 1750; m. Mercy Nelson; lived and d. in Mil.

The mr. d., date not found. The fr. m., 2d, *Rachel Albee*, dr. of James and Margaret (Wheelock) Albee, Dec. 25, 1788; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No chn. He d. April 7, 1798; his 2d wife, June 1, 1829, aged 89 yrs. The homestead of Jonas, sen., was on Purchase St., in the well-known immediate vicinity of the watering-trough. The site of the old house is now occupied by the res. of the late Dexter Claflin. The farm lay adjoining Isaac's, northward.

PARKHURST, Ephraim[6] (Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Dec. 27, 1743; m. *Jemima Hayward*, dr. of Eleazer, said to have been of Bell. (not traced); date of mge. 1767. Their chn. were, —

Eleazer, b. March 9, 1768; d. April 19, 1785, by a falling stone.

Nathan, b. Jan. 20, 1770; m. Ruth Rawson, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel.

Ithiel, b. March 27, 1772; m. Catherine Rawson, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel.

Esther, b. Feb. 5, 1774; m. Simeon Nelson, son of Dea. Seth.

Sterling, b. Feb. 3, 1777; emigrated to N.Y., and finally to Wis.; several chn.

Sarah, b. April 12, 1779; m. Obed Daniels of Holl.

Lucy, b. June 19, 1782; d. Aug. 17, 1799, unm.

Anna, b. Aug. 29, 1784; m. Thayer and mvd. West.

Ephraim, b. March 19, 1787; m., 1st, Lucinda Perry, and 2d, Eliza Broad.

Harriot, b. Oct. 19, 1791; d. May 19, 1856, unm.

Eleazer, b. April 18, 1793; m. Linda Chapin; set. in Parkhurst, Ia.

The parents were members of our Cong. ch., and had most, if not all, of their chn. christened. The homestead of Ephraim included the northern portion of his father's estate, with perhaps some additional lands. He d. Sept. 20, 1798; she 1829.

PARKHURST, Nathan[7] (Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Jan. 20, 1770; m. *Ruth*, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Nelson) Rawson, b. Oct. 25, 1770; cer. June, 1797, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn. were, —

Evelina, b. Dec. 11, 1797; d. 1861, unm.

Ziba, b. Aug. 28, 1799; m., 1st, Sophronia Spring; 2d, Adelia Spring.

Stephen Rawson, b. March 19, 1802; m. Thankful Legg, Mendon, 1821.

Parmenas Parseus, b. Jan. 7, 1804; m. Sabra Moore, Rutland, 1826.

Nathan, b. Dec. 1, 1805; m. Lydia Aldrich.

Waldo, b. Sept. 24, 1807; set. in La Clair, Ill.; m. and chn. there.

The parents and most of their chn. were devoted members of the Cong. ch. The fr. was a clothier and miller by trade. He dwelt mostly on the "Island," so called, and for many yrs. owned the mill-seat just below our Charles-river Bridge. He d. Dec. 13, 1820; she, April 1, 1851, aged 82 yrs.

PARKHURST, Ziba[8] (Nathan,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Aug. 28, 1799; m., 1st, *Sophronia Spring;* cer. Nov., 1821, by Rev. Mr. Judson, Uxbridge. She was a dr. of Ephraim; no more ascertained. Their chn.:—

Austin, b. Dec. 9, 1823; m. Susan Bennett; 7 chn.; res. Camden, Me.

Sarah A., b. Sept. 9, 1826; d. 1875.

Vilen, S. W., b. April 4, 1829; res. San Francisco, Cal.; reported as unm.

Nathan Spring, b. April 9, 1831; m. C. E. Brainard; 3 chn.; res., 1858, Albany, N.Y.

Francena W., b. Nov. 9, 1835; m. Edmund Gennette; 3 chn.

Georgiana W., b. Jan. 9, 1836; d. young.

Daniel Webster, b. June 27, 1837; m. Marietta L. Hoag; res. San Francisco, Cal.

Mrs. Sophronia d., date not found; and the fr. m., 2d, *Mrs. Adelia (Chapin) Spring* of Whitinsville, Nov. 14, 1871; further particulars not given. He res. mostly in Mil., but transiently in other places; being much inclined to mechanical inventions and manufacturing experiments. He adhered through life to the religious faith and attachments of his forefathers. He d. March 17, 1879.

PARKHURST, Stephen Rawson[8] (Nathan,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. March 19, 1802; m. *Thankful Legg* of Mendon, dr. of David and —— (Darling) Legg; cer. 1821, by (prob.) Rev. Simeon Doggett. Their chn.:—

Sylvester, b. 1822; d. 1824.

Elizabeth, b. 1824; m. ——— Holt; she last reported travelling in Europe.

Emily R., b. 1826; last reported a maiden lady.

Henry C., b. 1828; killed by a steamboat explosion out West, 1858.

"Death of Henry C. Parkhurst.—Among the lost by the late explosion of the steamer 'Princess' on the Mississippi River, was Mr. Henry C. Parkhurst, aged 26, only son of Mr. Stephen R. Parkhurst of N.Y., and formerly of this town. By this sad casualty a father and mother and two sisters, with a large circle of relatives, have been bereaved of a most dutiful and affectionate son, brother, and friend. In his business relations, which were very extensive, he had the confidence and esteem of all with whom he was in any way connected. In a moment his spirit passed away from earth; but he leaves behind him the record of a short life well spent, and the cheering consolation to his friends that his record was on high." — *Milford Journal.*

Stephen R. left manufacturing in this vicinity many years ago, and set. in or near Newark, N.J., where he has ever since been engaged as a woollen machinist in a large establishment of that kind. His son Henry was a promising man, acting as travelling agent of that establishment when he lost his life as above.

PARKHURST, Parmenas Parseus[8] (Nathan,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Jan. 7, 1804; m. *Sabra Moore* of Rutland. She was a dr. of Asa and Sabra (Lovell) Moore, b. Dec. 1, 1809; cer. July 2, 1826, by Rev. Mr. Clark of Rutland. Their chn.:—

Waldo Payson, b. June 17, 1844; d. May 13, 1848.

David Long, b. Aug. 20, 1847; m. Nellie Jackson; has 2 chn.; res. S. Francisco, Cal.

Mary Waldo, b. Dec. 27, 1849; m. George Hudson, 1878, Mil.

Waldo Parmenas, b. Jan. 31, 1852; commercial clerk; recently gone to S. Francisco, Cal.

Ruth Rawson, b. March 17, 1856; pub.-school teacher, Mil.; now in S. Francisco, Cal.

The parents have long been devoted members of the Cong. Ch. Mrs. Sabra d. suddenly, March 7, 1878, leaving the fragrant memory of a well-spent life, and a character rich in all the qualities which could render her dear to those who best knew her worth. He still survives in the serene respectability of a good old age. He has passed nearly all his life in his native town, partly as a manufacturer, partly as a miller, and partly in more ordinary industries. His two gd. ch. in California are of the 10th generation from George,[1] the ancestral immigrant.

The two younger sons of Nathan and Ruth (Rawson) Parkhurst are less known to me, having res. many years in other parts of the country. Nathan m. Lydia Aldrich of Millbury, dr. of Daniel; further particulars not ascertained. He removed to some part of Ct., then to N.J., and finally had the misfortune to d. of insanity. Posterity, if any, small. Waldo m. and set. in La Clair, Ill. They are said to have two chn., both liberally educated school-teachers. No further traced or reported.

PARKHURST, Dea. Ithiel[7] (Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. March 27, 1772; m. *Catherine Rawson*, dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Nelson) Rawson, b. Jan. 7, 1773; cer. March 6, 1794, by Amariah Frost, jun., Esq. Their chn.:—

Virtue, b. Jan. 10, 1795; m. John Ellis, Aug. 25, 1812.

Laura, b. Sept. 6, 1796; m. Rev. Nathan Paine, Aug. 30, 1820.

Betsey, b. April 26, 1798; m. David Farnum, Nov. 2, 1823.

Nathaniel Rawson, b. Jan. 11, 1800; m. Izanna Hunt, Dec. 20, 1822.

Ithiel, Jun., b. May 23, 1804; deaf-mute; m. Mary C. Works, Dec., 1832.

Catherine, b. April 19, 1807; m. Oliver Underhill, Ipswich.

Paschal N., b. Nov. 16, 1810; m. Eliza Hero, Nov. 14, 1833.

Dea. Ithiel became, in early life, attached to the Methodist Episcopal Ch., and was a "father in Israel" to that sect in Mil. all his remaining days. He dwelt most of his life on Purchase St., occupying the north-westerly portion of the Jonas Parkhurst patrimony, well up to the southern line of the North Purchase. He was of the solid yeomanry, and a much respected citizen. I presume his wife sympathized heartily with him in his religious persuasion. He d. Aug. 2, 1855, a. 83 yrs.; she d. Oct. 10, 1848, a. 75 yrs.

PARKHURST, Nathaniel Rawson[8] (Ithiel,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Jan. 11, 1800; m. *Izanna Hunt*, dr. of Ebenezer and Polly (Abbee) Hunt, b. Mil., July 8, 1804; cer. Dec. 20, 1822, by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Their chn.:—

Almira, b. Jan. 8, 1827; m. Samuel Chism.

Ursula, b. May 1, 1829; m. Loyal G. Dickinson.

SELINA MARTIA, b. Aug. 13, 1831; m. J. R. Barbour; d. 1859.
MERRILL, b. April 13, 1832; d. April 2, 1833.
HARRIET ANGENETTE, b. July 8, 1835; d. Jan. 15, 1837.
HARRIET JENNIE, b. July 26, 1837.
MARY ABBEE, b. Aug. 21, 1841.

A worthy parental pair. He was engaged much in the manufacture of cotton and woollen goods, residing in several different places, but longest in Worcester, where he d., July 25, 1868. His wid. still survives him, and res. in Worcester.

PARKHURST, ITHIEL, Jun.[8] (Ithiel,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. May 23, 1804; rendered a deaf-mute by malignant canker-rash in infancy; m. *Mary C. Works* of Hopkinton; particulars of parentage and cer. not ascertained. They had several chn., all of whom d. young, excepting

LUMAN, birth-date not given; m. ——— Adams, and res. Worcester.
PARDON, birth-date not given; res. Baltimore, Md.

Ithiel, jun., was a carpenter by trade, honest, industrious, and respected. Some years ago he had a fall from a building, which ruined his health. His wf. d. in Hop., 1871. He d. in Westboro', 1877. This record is imperfect, but the best I could obtain.

PARKHURST, PASCHAL N.[8] (Ithiel,[7] Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Nov. 16, 1810; m. *Eliza Hero*, dr. of John and Polly (Claflin) Hero, b. Dec. 9, 1812; cer. Nov. 14, 1833, by the writer. Their chn.:—

SUSAN L., b. Milford, Sept. 4, 1834; d. Sept., 1849.
MERRILL, b. in Ohio, Jan. 9, 1837; m. and set. Hammonton, N.J.
LUMAN H., b. in Ohio, 1846; not traced.

The parents moved to Hammonton, N.J., 1859. There Mrs. Eliza d. May 11, 1867. Paschal d. there Sept., 1872. A very worthy family. Merrill still res. in Hammonton. He m. Ellen ———, and has at least one son:—

LEIGHTON, b. 1871. No further traced.

PARKHURST, STERLING[7] (Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Feb. 3, 1777; few particulars ascertained concerning him. He emigrated long ago to some unnamed town in N. Y. State, set. as a farmer, and thence, later in life, mvd. to the State of Wisconsin, locality not given; m., and raised several chn.; a very imperfect account, but all I recd.

PARKHURST, EPHRAIM[7] (Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. March 19, 1787; m., 1st, *Lucinda Perry*, dr. of Adams and Anna (Wait) Perry, b. Jan. 21, 1791; cer. prob. April or May, 1812. Their chn.:—

ADALINE, b. Feb. 24, 1813; d. Sept. 29, 1817.
WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE, b. April 9, 1815; m. Betsey B. ———; he d. April 27, 1842.
HARRIOT, b. Aug. 13, 1816; d. Oct. 2, 1817.
STERLING, b. June 24, 1818; d. June 12, 1842.
LUCINDA, b. Jan. 21, 1820; d. Jan. 25, 1834.
EPHRAIM, b. Sept. 28, 1821; m., had 2 chn., and d. in Hartford, Ct.

Mrs. Lucinda, the mr., d. Dec. 30, 1821. The fr. m., 2d, *Eliza Broad* of Barre; particulars not traced. Issue:—

WILLARD BROAD, b. Jan. 23, 1825; d. Aug. 23, 1874.

Ephraim, the fr., d. Oct. 6, 1837. Eliza, his 2d wf., d. May 18, 1862. He diverged from the orthodoxy of his ancestors, and attached himself to the

Universalists. He was a boot and shoe maker by trade, and res. near Charles-river Bridge for some years, — an honest, industrious, and peaceable citizen. Both his wives were of good reputation. All the chn. d., either in infancy or in early manhood. Wm. Bainbridge m., and had William Sumner, 1838; Lucinda, 1839; and Francena, 1841, — all believed to have d. in infancy. Ephraim, jun., is said to have m. and d. in Hartford, Ct., leaving two chn. Whether these survive, I am not informed. If they do, they are the only survivors of the second Ephraim's posterity.

PARKHURST, Eleazer[7] (Ephraim,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. April 18, 1793; m. *Linda Chapin*, dr. of Marvel and Mary (Nelson) Chapin, b. Feb. 18, 1798; cer. Dec. 3, 1818, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

William Jefferson, b. Nov. 3, 1820.
Harriot, b. Oct. 24, 1822.
Mary Susanna, b. Dec. 29, 1824; d. Feb. 16, 1826.
Roxana, b. Dec. 18, 1826.
Mary Ann Nelson, b. Sept. 3, 1828.

Not far from 1830 these parents moved West, and finally set. in the town of Parkhurst, Ia.; perhaps he gave name to that town or post-village. I am little informed of the family history since emigration West, but have been told that all the chn. d. young, and he himself in 1856, — nothing more. He was of the Universalist Society when I became its pastor in 1824, and until he mvd. West. He was engaged in the boot and leather business in those days, — an enterprising, worthy, respectable citizen, with a wife of accordant character. They built and occupied a new house on the north-west corner of the Common and Main St., afterwards owned, I believe, by Col. Adam Hunt.

PARKHURST, Capt. Nathaniel[6] (Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. March 7, 1746; m. *Sarah Brown*, dr. of Oliver and Abigail Brown, b. Aug. 20, 1753; cer. May 29, 1771. Their chn. were, —

Amasa, b. Nov. 23, 1771; m. Hopestill Nelson; lived and d. in town.
Abigail, b. May 9, 1774; m. Arba Nelson; emigrated.
Mary or Polly, b. Feb. 25, 1776; m. Ezra Nelson; lived and d. in town.
Luther, b. March 24, 1778; d. Sept. 6, 1804.
Silas, b. Dec. 2, 1779; m. Lydia Robbins; lived and d. in town.
Otis, b. Sept. 20, 1781; m. Sally or Sarah Jones; lived and d. in town.
Hannah, b. July 23, 1783; m. Rufus Thayer; lived and d. in town.
Hopestill, b. March 29, 1785; imbecile, lost, and perished in snow, Jan. 29, 1831.
Lemuel, b. Jan. 2, 1788; grad. B. U., 1814; lawyer, Palmyra, N.Y.; d. 1818.
Catherine, b. Aug. 19, 1789; m. Henry Nelson; lived and d. Mil.
Sarah, b. Jan. 13, 1792; m. Isaac Parkhurst; d. in N. Jersey, 1829.
Nancy, b. Nov. 23, 1794; m. Otis Torrey, Aug. 7, 1816; d. Feb. 17, 1818.
Diana, b. April 12, 1796; m. Sullivan Sumner.
Angelina, b. Feb. 11, 1799; m. Alden Jones, Nov. 3, 1822.

Capt. Nathaniel dwelt and reared his large family on the original homestead of his fr. Jonas. The old house was pulled down some yrs. ago to make way for the one recently occupied by Dexter Claflin, near the watering-trough, west side of Purchase St. He was an honored citizen, and his family ranked among the first in town for talent and worth. He died April 28, 1818; his wid. d. Nov. 7, 1848.

PARKHURST, Capt. Amasa[7] (Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2]

George[1]), b. Nov. 23, 1771; m. *Hopestill Nelson*, dr. of Josiah and Elizabeth (Thayer) Nelson, b. Oct. 10, 1774; cer. in 1796; further particulars not found. Their chn.: —

ANNA NELSON, b. July 18, 1797; m. Daniel Kendall, Nov. 7, 1819.

PAUL NELSON, b. Aug. 15, 1799; d. Aug. 10, 1802.

ELMIRA, b. Oct. 24, 1801; m. John Corbett, jun., May 1, 1825.

RUBY BROWN, b. Nov. 7, 1803; m. Joseph Webb, April 2, 1822.

OLIVER BROWN, b. July 20, 1806; m. Maria Nelson; now res. in town.

NELSON, b. April 30, 1809; m. Hannah Jayne; now res. in town.

HOPESTILL, b. Nov. 18, 1811; m., 1st, Cooledge Perry; 2d, W. P. Haven.

AMASA, Jun., b. April 13, 1815; m. 1st, Elizabeth Brown; 2d, Hannah P. Brown.

ELIZABETH CAROLINE, b. Sept. 12, 1820; m. Leander Holbrook, Esq.

Capt. Amasa and family held respectable rank in their vicinage, and have always honored their lineage. His homestead, during my knowledge, was the Ebenezer Boynton place, formerly so called, at the elbow of E. Main St., on or near the Plains. He d. Nov. 23, 1826; his wid., Jan. 12, 1857.

PARKHURST, OLIVER BROWN[8] (Amasa,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. July 20, 1806; m. *Maria Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Henry and Catherine (Parkhurst) Nelson, b. Feb. 21, 1813; cer. May 12, 1833, by Pearley Hunt, Esq., assisted by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Chn.: —

ELLEN MARIA, b. June 10, 1834; d. July 4, 1837.

ELIZA BIANCA, b. Oct. 19, 1835; m. Addison H. Tyler, Oct. 21, 1857.

GEORGE OLIVER, b. Aug. 4, 1837; m. Emma C. Fletcher, June 10, 1869.

HENRY NELSON, b. Oct. 21, 1838; m. Maria A. Nash, Oct. 20, 1864.

WARREN JONES, b. Oct. 6, 1840; d. June 1, 1844; drowned.

HERBERT, b. Dec. 4, 1842; m. Mattie N. Ohlin of New York, June 4, 1866.

MARY ANNA, b. Aug. 1, 1845.

JOHN CORBETT, b. Dec. 14, 1847.

JAMES ARTHUR, b. March 11, 1854; d. March 22, 1854.

HELEN FLORENCE, b. July 26, 1858; d. Feb. 15, 1862.

Their res. has long been on the south side of the town common. They reputably sustain their ancestral respectability. They continue the responsible activities of domestic and social life. Mr. P. has generally been more or less engaged in the boot and shoe business, in common with many of his contemporaries. They have had 6 gd. chn. by their dr. Tyler, 3 of whom survive; also 2 by their son Henry, both decd.; also 3 by their son Herbert, Sandwich, Ill., 2 living. These will be noticed in their place.

PARKHURST, HENRY NELSON[9] (Oliver B.,[8] Amasa,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Oct., 1838; m. *Maria A. Nash*, dr. of William and Susan (Barker) Nash, b. in Quincy, March 3, 1845; cer. Oct. 20, 1864, by the writer, at res. bride's parents, Mil. Their chn.: —

WILLIAM NASH, b. Sept. 25, 1865; d. Oct. 15, 1865.

HELEN MAY, b. Nov. 5, 1866; d. Aug. 19, 1867.

PARKHURST, HERBERT[9] (Oliver B.,[8] Amasa,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Dec. 4, 1842; m. *Mattie N. Ohlin*, parentage not given, b. Fort Hunter, N.Y., Oct. 27, 1848; cer. June 4, 1866, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

CLARENCE HERBERT, b. Nov. 14, 1867; d. March 4, 1868.

WALTER, b. Sandwich, Ill., Nov. 27, 1870.

HATTIE MAY, b. Sandwich, Ill., Oct. 5, 1875.

Present res. presumed to be Sandwich, Ill.

PARKHURST, Nelson[8] (Amasa,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. April 30, 1809; m. *Hannah Jayne* of Boston, ptge., etc., not given, b. 1813; cer. in 1830, no particulars given. Issue:—

Anna Maria, b. Aug. 22, 1833.

Laura Ann, b. April 12, 1835; d. Oct. 22, 1853.

Charlotte, b. May 18, 1837; m. George W. Johnson, Oct. 1, 1857.

Armenia, b. May 30, 1839; m. H. D. Brooks.

Albion W., b. April 4, 1842.

Susan Gertrude, b. Jan. 30, 1844; m. Charles E. Guild.

Grandchn.:—

Two belonging to Mrs. Johnson. See Johnson.

One son of Mrs. Armenia Brooks; viz., Henry Nelson Brooks, b. July 11, 1863; d. June 9, 1881.

I could have wished to make this record more specific in respect to mges., deaths, etc., but have been unable to obtain the requisite data. The intellectual, religious, moral, and social standing of the family has commanded the general respect. Trials, afflictions, and sorrows have fallen to their lot in more than average measure; but the survivors hope on.

PARKHURST, Amasa, Jun.[8] (Amasa,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. April 13, 1815; m., 1st, *Elizabeth F. Brown*, dr. of Abel and Polly (Pond) Brown, b. May 18, 1819; cer. Oct. 6, 1839, by the writer. She gave birth to an infant that d. at the age of 2 wks., and d. herself, July 26, 1840, 2 ds. after her child. He m., 2d, *Hannah P. Brown*, sister of his 1st wf.; cer. April 6, 1842, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Elizabeth Brown, b. May 29, 1843; m. Ames B. Leonard, April 30, 1865.

Edwin Brown, b. Feb. 9, 1846.

Alton Brown, b. Feb. 3, 1848; d. 1853.

A worthy family; res. on a small farm west side of Purchase St., which must, I think, be a part of the original Isaac Parkhurst estate.

PARKHURST, Capt. Silas[7] (Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Dec. 2, 1779; m., 1st, *Lydia Robbins*, ptge., birth-date, and particulars of mge., not ascertained; cer. prob. in Boston, 1805. Their chn.:—

Charles Austin, 1st, b. Aug. 23, 1806; d. 1807.

Charles Austin, 2d, b. Oct. 15, 1807; m. Mary Johnson; res. at one time Worcester.

Lucy Robbins, b. April 29, 1810; d. 1864.

Sarah Brown, b. June 6, 1812; m. Rev. Rufus S. Pope, Nov. 8, 1835.

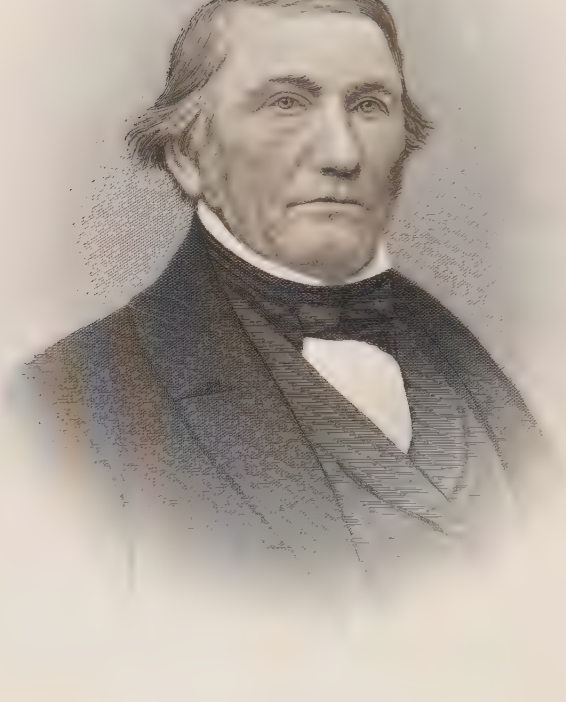
Clarissa P., b. July 24, 1814; m. Rufus Pond, Nov. 22, 1842.

Silas B., b. April 21, 1816; m. Izanna Fisk, Oct. 8, 1844; res. West.

Lydia Robbins, b. 1818; d. young.

The family res. was where Isaac N. Crosby now dwells,—a part of the original Jonas Parkhurst estate, if I mistake not. Capt. Silas was a carpenter and farmer; an upright man, and a respected citizen, with a family held in like esteem. His descendants in the male line are few. Silas B. is reported still living, without chn.; but of Charles Austin I am not informed. In the female line, none survive but the chn. of his dr. Sarah Brown Pope, wf. of Rev. Rufus S. Pope of Hyannis; viz., Ellen A., Charles G. (m. Josie Cole, Dec. 27, 1866), Elwin, Sarah (m. Frank A. Gorham, June 27, 1876).

Mrs. Lydia d. June 27, 1839. The hus. m., 2d, *Nancy Bullard* of Medway, 1845; no particulars of cer. given. Capt. Silas d. Sept. 2, 1849. His worthy wid. still survives.



PARKHURST, Otis[7] (Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Sept. 20, 1781; m., 1st, *Sarah Jones*, dr. of Nathaniel Alden and Lois (Claflin) Jones of Framingham, b. June 10, 1788; cer. April 20, 1808, by Rev. David Long. Chn.:—

Otis, Jun., b. Dec. 1, 1809; grad. Union Col.; stud. law; m. Eliza M. Harris; d. Aug. 23, 1854.

Luther, b. March 27, 1811; d. Feb. 14, 1817.

Sarah Jones, b. April 27, 1812; m. James Grady, Sept. 7, 1837; moved West; since d.

Louisa, b. Oct. 9, 1813; m. Benjamin Holbrook, March 3, 1843; d. Nov. 24, 1861.

Izanna E., b. April 22, 1815; m. Artemas B. Vant, Sept. 6, 1837; res. Mil.

Dexter D., b. Feb. 19, 1817; d. by suicide under deep depression of mind, Nov. 22, 1840.

Abigail Mellen, b. Jan. 10, 1819; m. Rev. Joseph Smith in Providence, R.I., April 6, 1843.

Lemuel, b. Oct. 23, 1820; m. Elizabeth A. Leavens of Dudley, June 20, 1850; res. Ia.

Irene M., b. Oct. 1, 1822; m. Dr. John Hero, Sept. 22, 1850; res. Westboro'.

Mary Jane, b. Dec. 27, 1824; teacher; m., 1st, Joseph H. Carpenter, Providence, R.I., Nov. 25, 1851; 2d, Dr. Dwight Russell, Mil., March 4, 1861; our first chosen school-committee woman.

Elizabeth Alden, b. April 10, 1826; m. James H. Barker, April 26, 1848; res. Mil.

Diana S., b. April 27, 1828.

Adelia, b. Aug. 28, 1830; perished in her fr.'s burnt dwelling-house, Oct. 1, 1856.

Marion, b. Feb. 21, 1832; m. James A. Stoddard, May 17, 1853; res. Chicago, Ill.

The homestead of these parents was a part of the original Jonas Parkhurst farm. They dwelt near its centre. There they reared this large family. It required, on the part of both parents, more than ordinary capabilities. Mr. P. was naturally a strong constitutioned, energetic man, in body and mind. He was persistent and indomitable in his pursuits, as well as ideas and aims. He had much to do in promoting the success of the boot and shoe business here, acting largely as a commercial agent of the pioneer manufacturers in buying their stock and marketing their productions. He was active and responsible as a citizen, taking much interest in town affairs. He was a stanch Universalist, and one of the twelve proprietors who, in 1820, built the brick ch., generously giving the society his earnest support. His devoted wf. d. Jan. 14, 1843. The hus. m., 2d, in 1846, *Betsey Kingsbury* of Hop., who lived but a short time. Particulars of neither mge. nor death given. Mr. Parkhurst himself d. March 5, 1869, being in his 88th yr. There were but 4 sons of the 14 chn. Three of these d. childless, and only Lemuel survives to bear up the Parkhurst name. Most of the drs. and their families will come into record under the names of their husbands.

PARKHURST, Lemuel[8] (Otis,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Oct. 23, 1820; m. *Elizabeth Amelia Leavens* of Dudley; cer. June 20, 1850; further particulars not ascertained. Issue:—

Lemuel K., b. Mil., July 5, 1852; m. Josephine Keyes, Marion, Ia., Nov. 30, 1876.

William C., b. Mil., twin bro.; d. April 13, 1862.
Frederick L., b. Mil., July 1, 1854; m. Louise E. Eliott, Troy Mills, Ia., Dec. 15, 1876.
Lizzie J., b. Cherokee, Ia., June 27, 1857; d. Aug. 5, 1859.
Anna I., b. Cherokee, Ia., Dec. 2, 1858; d. Aug. 18, 1859.
Clarence L., b. Cherokee, Ia., Nov. 16, 1860.
Lemuel P. removed to Cherokee, Ia., 1856.

PARKHURST, Lemuel,[7] uncle of the preceding (Nathaniel,[6] Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. Jan. 2, 1788; grad. B. U., 1814, with the highest honors of his class; stud law. and practised about 2 yrs. in Palmyra, N.Y., where, in the brightness of promised success eclipsed, he d. in Sept., 1818. One of his admiring classmates pronounced him the finest scholar, greatest orator, best athlete, handsomest man, and most popular student then in college. His early death was deeply lamented by all who knew him.

PARKHURST, Jonas, Jun.[6] (Jonas,[5] John,[4] John,[3] George,[2] George[1]), b. April 12, 1750; m. *Mary Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Gershom and Mercy (Puffer) Nelson, b. Feb. 15, 1755; cer. Dec. 1, 1774, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Issue:—

Olive, b. March 8, 1775; m. Zuriel Hayward, 1795, and soon d.
Betsey, b. June 17, 1776; m. Oliver Adams, Rutland, etc.
Lucinda, b. Dec. 20, 1777; m. Dr. John Nelson, July 6, 1812.
Ede, b. Jan. 11, 1779; d. young.
Henry, b. Nov. 7, 1781; d. March 4, 1843.
Joel, b. April 13, 1784; d. March 15, 1844.
Royal, b. March 11, 1790; d. 1841.
Polly, b. July 22, 1793; d. May 13, 1835.
Mercy, b. June 7, 1795; d. 1837.

Jonas, jun., dwelt where Henry Chapin did at the time of his death. The place is now owned by Henry C. Scott. He was a cooper by trade, an honest man, and respected citizen. His wf., who long survived him, and was known in the neighborhood as "Aunt Molly," was a kind-hearted, worthy, and estimable woman. They left no posterity to bear up the name of Parkhurst. It is a somewhat remarkable physiological fact that all the drs. were robust and efficient persons, but all three of the sons of feeble constitution and small efficiency. The whole family had good hearts; and the drs. exemplified great executive usefulness in business, and eminent aptitude in the ministrations of the sick-chamber. The fr. d. Sept. 20, 1800; the mr. lived 40 yrs. a wid. indeed, and d., after a sickness of only 4 hours, May 12, 1840, a. 85.

Thus I have brought down the Parkhursts to their 10th generation, and here close.

PARKINSON, Robert, son of Richard and Ann (Kitchen) Parkinson, b. in Bolton, Eng., Sept. 7, 1824; moulder in foundry at Hopedale; m., 1st, *Sarah Marsden*, dr. of Thomas and Agnes (Smith) Marsden, b. in Manchester, Eng., Sept. 26, 1836; cer. in St. Philip's Ch., Manchester, Sept. 27, 1856, by Rev. Mr. Hutton. Their chn.:—

Richard, b. Bury, Eng., July 23, 1857; res. Racine, Wis.
Nancy, b. Bury, Eng., May 6, 1860.
Agnes, b. Bury, Eng., 1862; d. April 8, 1879.
John, b. No. Andover, June 10, 1865.
Robert, b. Mil., July, 1867; d. July 28, 1867.

ROBERT, 2d, b. Hopedale, May 3, 1869.
ELLIS, b. Hopedale, March 14, 1871.
GEORGE, b. Hopedale, April 28, 1872.

Mrs. Sarah d. at Hopedale, Sept. 1, 1874, a. 36 yrs. 11 mos. The hus. m., 2d, *Jane Whiteside* (maiden name Marsden), a sister of his 1st wf., dr. of Thomas and Agnes (Smith) Marsden, b. in Westnal, Eng., April 8, 1823; cer. Hopedale, Oct. 1, 1875, by the writer. No chn. Honest, industrious, hard-working, peaceable people.

PARKMAN. The only families of this name in town commenced with that of Dr. Elias Parkman at So. Mil., perhaps about 1792 or 1793. It is said that his rich bro., Samuel Parkman, an eminent Boston merchant, purchased what we have known as the Parkman place of Dr. Elias Penniman, who had kept a tavern and store there in previous yrs. I infer that Dr. Elias Parkman was never a favorite of Plutus, and that he was to some extent dependent on his wealthy bros. in Boston, Breck and Samuel, who took a generous interest in his behalf. I am informed that he opened, very soon, a store stocked by his bros., which was both an apothecary-shop and grocery. I see that he was licensed to retail spirituous liquors in 1793, and as an innholder in 1810. I suppose that he was a regularly educated physician, but how successful in his profession is not told. He seems to have practised for some yrs. in Preston, Ct., and later, for a shorter period, in Holliston. Perhaps he may have done so in other localities not reported to me. He is represented as a very social, kind-hearted, and courteous man, but too easy in general temperament and habits to achieve financial success. He sprang from a distinguished ancestry, whose lineage has been illustrated by several eminent persons. Elias Parkman[1] came from Eng. about the yr. 1633, and set. in Dorchester, 1635. His oldest son[2] of the same name dwelt in Boston. *His* oldest son, William,[3] also of Boston, had 10 chn. The youngest of these was Ebenezer,[4] b. Sept. 5, 1703; grad. at H. U., 1721; ord. pastor in Westborough, Oct. 28, 1724; m., 1st, Mary Champney of Cambridge, July 7, 1724; 2d, Hannah Breck of Boston, by both of whom he had the following specified 12 chn.: Elizabeth, a stillborn one; William, Sarah, Susannah, Alexander, Breck, Samuel, John, Anna Sophia, Hannah, and Elias. This last was our Dr. Elias.[5] His family record is next in order.

PARKMAN, ELIAS[5] (Rev. Ebenezer,[4] William,[3] Elias,[2] Elias[1]), b. in Westborough, Jan. 6, 1761; mr.'s maiden name, Hannah Breck; educated a physician; m., 1st, *Alethina Belcher*, dr. of Capt. William Belcher of Preston, Ct.; cer. Dec. 25, 1785, by Rev. Mr. Hart. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL BRECK, b. Preston, Ct., May 11, 1787; went South; m., and had chn.

LUCY HUNTINGDON, b. Preston, Ct., Oct. 25, 1789; d. Plainfield, Ct., 1873, a. 84 yrs.

ELIAS, b. Holliston, June 11, 1792; d. at Selma, Ala., Oct., 1853.

Mrs. Alethina d. in Holliston, June 17, 1792. The hus. m., 2d, *Susannah (Learned) Johnson*, the wid. of Joseph Johnson, formerly of Holl.; ptge., birthdate, etc., not ascertained; cer. in Mil., March 13, 1794, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Their chn.: —

ALETHINA, b. Mil., July 23, 1794; d. July 3, 1796.

SUKY or SUSAN, b. Mil., Feb. 25, 1796; m. Benjamin C. Bicknell, 1823. She d. Sept. 4, 1864.

SARAH ROGERS, b. Mil., Jan. 24, 1798; d. unm., Sept. 15, 1869.

JOHNSON, b. Mil., April 12, 1800; m. Lucy Rogers, July 30, 1835.

ALETHINA, b. Mil., Feb. 17, 1802; m. Asa Hall, Sutton. She d. July 21, 1857.

MARIE ANTOINETTE (adopted), b. Feb. 6, 1803; no information.

JOHN ADAMS, b. Mil., Aug. 25, 1804; m. Clarissa Albee, Mil., March 6, 1828.

Dr. Elias Parkman d. in So. Mil., Sept. 30, 1828, a. 67 yrs. Mrs. Susannah, his wid., d. Dec. 20 same yr., a. 67 yrs.

Samuel Breck Parkman set. in Augusta, Ga., m. there, and had several chn. The maiden name, ptge., birth-date, etc., of his wf. not ascertained, nor particulars of cer. She d. Oct. 26, 1837. The following June Mr. P. took passage northward with 4 of his younger chn. on board the ill-fated steamer "Pulaski." In the catastrophe which befell that steamer, he and his chn. found a watery grave, June 14, 1838. Their names were Alethina, Caroline, Theresa, and Whitney, — all bright and promising. The fr. is represented as an intelligent, enterprising man of high Christian character. Concerning his older chn., I have no information.

I presume that Lucy Huntingdon Parkman m., and was the mr. of a considerable family in Ct. I have an impression of being so told, but am not certain. However, the desired facts are not now at my command, either in memory or on paper. She d. in Plainfield, Ct., July, 1873, a. 84 yrs.

Elias Parkman, jun., d., as aforesaid, at Selma, Ala., Oct. 17, 1853. Whether he was ever m., I have no information; prob. not.

Sarah Rogers Parkman never m., but filled up a long life with multiform usefulness, deeds of charity, and practical Christian righteousness. I had the privilege of numbering her among my best religious and personal friends, and of ministering at her funeral. Her sister Alethina, Mrs. Hall of Sutton, was less known by me, but was of excellent repute as an orthodox Christian. Of Mrs. Bicknell I have spoken in connection with her hus. See Bicknell.

PARKMAN, JOHNSON[6] (Dr. Elias,[5] Rev. Ebenezer,[4] William,[3] Elias,[2] Elias[1]), b. in Mil., April 12, 1800; was out South, perhaps with his bros., a while; m. *Lucy Rogers*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah Rogers, b. in Littleton, Oct. 11, 1795; cer. in Boston, July 30, 1835, by Rev. Dr. Francis Parkman, the groom's cousin. They set. on the So. Mil. homestead. Their chn.: —

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 1, 1836; m. Stephen Dexter Angell, April 27, 1863.

SAMUEL BRECK, b. Jan. 1, 1839; d. Aug. 27, 1858.

The parents were worthy and influential members of the First ch. in Mendon, whereof I was pastor for several yrs.; and I baptized both their chn. They remained my kind and firm personal friends till death, and I ministered at their respective funerals. Their son Samuel Breck was a very promising youth; and his death, at the interesting age of between 19 and 20 yrs., seemed to be a desolating blow from which they could hardly recover. Mrs. Parkman had a very affectionate and sympathetic heart, forever mantled with a meek, gentle, and charitable spirit. Her overflowing benevolence to the unfortunate, and diffusive kindness to all, rendered her memory deservedly blessed. Her remains went to their burial wreathed with flowerets of reverent love, and bedewed with grateful tears. She was, indeed, worthy of her lineage; being a descendant of no less a personage than Rev. John Rogers, the illustrious martyr who was burnt at Smithfield, Eng., Feb. 4, 1555. The successive generations run thus: Rev. John, the martyr[1]; Rev. John,[2] d. Oct. 18, 1639, a. 97 yrs.; Rev. Nathaniel,[3] b. 1593, d. 1655 (these three all Episcopally ordained in Eng.); John,[4] b. Assington, Eng., fifth President of H. U.; Daniel,[5] grad. H. U., physician in Ipswich;

Rev. Daniel,[6] grad. H. U., ordained Littleton, 1732; Daniel[7]; Lucy,[8] Mrs. Johnson Parkman. Many interesting particulars of this lineal descent necessarily omitted. Johnson Parkman d. So. Mil., July 27, 1872. Mrs. Lucy, his wid., d. May 3, 1880.

PARKMAN, JOHN ADAMS[6] (Dr. Elias,[5] Rev. Ebenezer,[4] William,[3] Elias,[2] Elias[1]), b. Aug. 25, 1804; m. *Clarissa Albee*, dr. of Simeon and Rebecca (Stoddard) Albee, b. Mendon; cer. March 6, 1828, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

SUSANNA, b. Dec. 14, 1828; m. Thomas Wheelock, Feb. 28, 1863; res. Millbury.

CLARISSA, b. Dec. 10, 1832; m. Rev. Daniel C. Babcock, April 25, 1860; res. Philadelphia.

BENJAMIN AUGUSTUS, b. Aug. 20, 1839; m. Harriet A. Estes, June 6, 1867; res. Worcester.

Mrs. Clarissa, the wf. and mr., d. in Sutton, Sept. 20, 1861. The bereaved fr., infirm from disease and age, still survives, and res. in Sutton.

Grandchn.: —

Chn. of Rev. D. C. and Mrs. Clarissa Babcock. They have, —

SUSIE P., b. Salem, N.H., April 25, 1864.

MARY ADDIE, b. Manchester, N.H., Nov. 24, 1869.

Chn. of Benj. A. and Harriet A. Parkman. They have, —

CLARA ADDIE, b. Worcester, April 12, 1868.

CLIFTON EUGENE, b. Worcester, Sept. 26, 1871.

JOSIE MARIA, b. Worcester, May 4, 1874; d. a. 4 ds.

PARKS, JOSHUA, and wf. *Sarah*, were among those warned out of town in 1791. At that time they had with them chn.: SARAH, who m. Levi Nelson, Sept. 21, 1806; NANCY, who m. James Barber, April 11, 1803; PATTY; JOHN; GARDNER; and FANNY. Concerning the 4 last named I learn nothing. I presume the fr. d. here or in Hop., though I find no death-date; but it is recorded among our deaths that wid. Sarah Parks d. Dec. 27, 1801. Other details within my knowledge too few and unimportant to mention.

PARTRIDGE, JOSIAH, is the first of this name who inhabited our territory. I have taken some pains to ascertain his pedigree and family record, but have been baffled. All I have learned is, that he sold the large farm he once owned on Sherborn road, now crossed by Medway St., to Jasper Daniell, the fr. of Oliver Daniell, and gd. fr. of our Samuel Daniell, now some time deceased. The deed is dated March 13, 1737-38. The grantor purports to be of Mendon (our territory being then a part of Mendon), and the grantee of Needham. The premises comprised two tracts of land; the first containing 100 acres, and the second 80 acres. The consideration was £700. I suppose Partridge dwelt on the premises at the time he sold to Daniell, but nothing is said of his family. Whoever is interested must trace out the facts.

PARTRIDGE, BENJAMIN[3] (Eleazer,[2] John of Medfield[1]), b. 1713; his wf.'s name was *Sarah*, but no particulars of the marriage have come under my notice. He took up a large tract of wild land in Bellingham, since called Partridgetown, on which he set., and which was inherited by his chn. He seems to have removed his ch. relations from the Second ch., also his wf. hers, to our Cong. ch., Aug. 3, 1746. Some of their chn. were bap. here. He had 3 or more sons and at least 1 dr., who survived him, and inherited his Partridgetown lands. Among these were the following named: —

Job, who m., and had 12 chn.; wf.'s name not given. See below.

Benjamin, who m. Mary Perry, and had 6 chn.; names not given; he d. in the Revolutionary war.

Joseph, who m. Catherine Richardson, and had 13 chn.; names omitted.

Sarah, who m. William Ware of Bellingham, and had several chn.; names omitted.

Let those who are curious to ascertain particulars search Bell. records. Job had 1 son, at least, who set. in Mil. I will give what of his family record has been reported to me, imperfect as it is: —

PARTRIDGE, Job, of Partridgetown[4] (Benjamin,[3] Eleazer,[2] John of Medfield[1]), birth-date not given; m. *Deborah Fairbanks;* no other particulars given. Their chn.: —

Aaron, b. some time in 1774; m. Abigail F. Pond, 1798; set. Milford.

Benjamin, m. Milcah Pond.

Tamar, d. young.

Moses, grad. B. U.; studied divinity with Dr. Emmons, and preached as a missionary.

Sarah, m. Ichabod Pond.

Deborah, m. Timothy Ellis.

Rhoda, m. Ephraim Littlefield, Mil., 1805.

Experience, or Pedee, m. Ellery Allen.

Job, m. Tamar Partridge, perhaps a cousin.

Bathsheba, lived and d. unm.

Twins, nameless; d. in early infancy.

Further particulars, death-dates of the parents, etc., not given.

PARTRIDGE, Aaron[5] (Job,[4] Benjamin,[3] Eleazer,[2] John of Medfield[1]), b. some time in 1774; m. *Abigail F. Pond*, dr. of Hezekiah and Lois (Metcalf) Pond, b. Franklin, 1778; cer. in Franklin, 1798, by Rev. Dr. Emmons. Their chn. are all said to have been b. in (Partridgetown) Bell. before settling in Mil.; viz., —

Nancy, b. June 24, 1799; m. Theron Holbrook, April 23, 1823; she d. 1872.

Abigail, b. April 3, 1802; m. Abel Albee, Dec. 3, 1818.

Lucinda, b. April 5, 1804; m. Abijah Stearns Clark, Oct. 24, 1827.

Aaron, b. May 2, 1806; m. Hannah Fisk, April 3, 1829; set. Upton.

Rhoda, b. Jan. 19, 1809; m. Samuel Kinsman, March 8, 1845.

Elmira, b. April, 1811; m. Cyrus Hill, March 12, 1848.

Mr. Partridge, the fr., lived in Partridgetown till some little time after his youngest child was b., then purchased the old Cody place in Mil., on Camp St., near Bungay, and there d. March 7, 1846. Mrs. Abigail, his wid., d. in 1873. I had little or no personal acquaintance with these parents, but presume they ranked reputably among their neighbors. They left quite a numerous posterity of grandchn. and gt. grandchn., whom I will not attempt to particularize. Their only son, Aaron, m. as above, set. in Upton, and had there 1 son and 4 drs. He d. there Sept. 7, 1879. So I will trace this lineage of Partridges no further.

PARTRIDGE, Preserved[4] (Benoni,[3] John,[2] William of Medfield[1]), b. 1709; m. *Catherine Armstrong*, and set. in Holl. He seems to have been a landholder in the neighborhood of Bungay in 1754. And I think, too, he must have res. in town a few yrs.; for, according to Rev. Mr. Frost's record of baptisms, he had 2 chn. baptized here; viz., —

Jotham, bap. May 27, 1750.

ZUBAH, bap. Oct. 18, 1752, O.S.

In 1754 what is now called Camp St. was first laid out, and Preserved Partridge is mentioned in the record as one through or by whose land the road ran. He prob. came from Holl., staid a few yrs., and returned; or else he betook himself to some other locality. Nothing more is said of him.

PARTRIDGE, ELI[4] (Benoni,[3] John,[2] William of Medfield,[1] bro. of the preceding), birth-date not found; m. *Rachel* ——. Issue:—

JOSEPH, b. June 30, 1754; m. Sarah Warren, Nov. 15, 1778.
ELI, Jun., b. Dec. 20, 1756; untraced.
AMOS, b. April 12, 1758; untraced.
MEHETABEL, b. July 7, 1759; untraced.
MARY, b. July 19, 1763; untraced.
RACHEL, b. April 5, 1765; untraced.
NATHANIEL, bap. Jan. 28, 1767; untraced.
JOHN, b. Feb. 4, 1770; untraced.
ABEL, bap. June 30, 1776; untraced.
CHARLES, bap. Oct. 30, 1776; untraced.

All these chn. were bap.; but why the last 2 are named so closely together in the order of time, I do not understand. So they stand on Mr. Frost's record, and I only copy that record. I suppose Eli Partridge must have come from Holl. He set. on what is now Silver-hill St., a little east of Upton line. I lose track of him and his family between 1776 and '80, and suspect they must have removed to some other locality.

A few others bearing the name Partridge have dwelt in town for longer or shorter periods of time. Among these I will mention the following:—

PARTRIDGE, GEORGE H., pedigree not traced; hat blocker; is named in our directories for 1872, '75, and '78, but not in that for '80.

PARTRIDGE, JOSEPH V., clairvoyant physician; now res. 18 School St. Family record not reported.

PASSMORE, JOSEPH, m. *Thankful Barnes;* pedigrees not ascertained; cer. Nov. 25, 1772, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

MARTIN, b. Dec. 31, 1777. This family no further traced.

PATCH, ISRAEL SAWYER, son of Jonathan and Sally (Sawyer) Patch; b. Northfield, Oct. 26, 1824; m. *Rowanna Semira Whitney*, dr. of Jesse and Rebecca (Fisk) Whitney, b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1820; cer. Mil., Sept. 18, 1872, by Rev. George W. Stacy. No chn. Mr. P. is a responsible employé of the B. & A. R. Rd. on its Milford branch, and in charge of its enginery and correlative concerns at or near Mil. depot. He is an orderly citizen, and dwells with a worthy wf., only dr. and heir of Jesse Whitney, 121 Main St. (East). I know of no other bearing this name in town.

PATRICK. Very few of this name have ever res. in Milford. I have known but a single family, that of Delano Patrick at Hopedale. As a farmer on Freedom St., near the village, an intelligent, independent thinker, and an exemplary citizen, he is well known. He gives me his lineal descent from no farther back than his grandparents. They were Rufus and Eunice Patrick of Fitzwilliam, N.H. His fr., William Patrick, was b. in Fitzwilliam, April 23, 1789. His mr. was Polly Phipps, dr. of Moses and Hopestill of Oxford, though formerly of Holl. WILLIAM PATRICK and *Polly Phipps* were m. in Oxford, May 6, 1812.

PATRICK, DELANO[3] (William,[2] Rufus[1]), b. in Holl., Oct. 28, 1816, and m. in Northboro' *Mary M. Maynard*, March 1, 1841; cer. by Rev. Dr. Joseph Allen.

She was b. in Northboro', June 21, 1817, and was a dr. of Taylor and Betsey (Babcock) Maynard. They removed from Northboro' to Hopedale in the spring of 1850, amid the maturing growth of the Community, and have res. in the neighborhood ever since. They have raised up and educated for usefulness 5 chn.: —

Ellen Maria, b. Cape May Co., N.J., March 8, 1842; now assist. teacher high school, Cincinnati, O.

Lucy Sophia, b. Northboro', Sept. 14, 1844; when in health a reputable teacher.

Henry Lyman, b. Northboro', Oct. 29, 1846; mercht. and dep. post-master at Hopedale.

George Edward, b. Hopedale, Oct. 22, 1851; prof. chem., etc., Kansas University, Lawrence.

Cora Mary, b. Hopedale, Aug. 23, 1858; d. profoundly lamented, Oct. 6, 1880.

PECK, John, is the first of this name who owned land within our limits. In 1707 the proprietors of Mendon "Laid out for John Peck the whole of his fifth division of land, and 12½ acres of John Sprague's daughters', on the south-east corner of Magomiscock Hill; bounded south on Nathaniel Morse's land and common, 63 rods; west on common, 120 rods; northerly on common, 48 rods; easterly, part on Seth Chapin's land, and part on James Lovett's land, and on common, 226 rods; the whole containing 84 acres, — 3½ acres allowance for bad land." This tract lay mainly on the west side of School and Purchase Sts., and extended northerly from the vicinity of Spruce St. to that of Fountain St. He acquired afterwards additional smaller parcels, including "Peck's Meadow," which got its name from his ownership. He was a son of Dea. Simon Peck, who, in the early settlement of Mendon town-seat, purchased Gregory Cook's 40-acre house-lot, situated near the junction of Birch Alley with the Uxbridge Road. Dea. Simon sold the easterly half of this 40-acre lot, with all its rights to common lands, in 1682, to George Sumner of Milton. From him the title descended to his sons Ebenezer and Joseph, our Milford patriarchs. The other half he reserved for himself; and it was inherited by his son John, of whom I am now writing. From the fact that the decease of Dea. Simon, and that of his wife Prudence, were recorded in Mendon, I infer that they dwelt and d. there, though this is not certain. But Dea. Simon was formerly of Hingham, and later, perhaps, of Milton. He is supposed to have been a son of Rev. Robert Peck, an English dissenting clergymen, who, for a time, took refuge in New England, but finally returned, and d. in his former home. Dea. Simon d. March 27, 1688; his wife Prudence d. before him, March 24, 1687. Their son John inherited their landed property in Mendon, and for a time dwelt on the original homestead. Some doubt whether he ever came over to his land here to dwell. I am inclined to believe that he did, though it may not be provable to a certainty. However, his wf.'s name was *Millicent*, and they had, —

Simon, b. March 27, 1693–4.

Hannah, b. date not found; probably d. young.

John, b. March 8, 1698–9; d. young.

Mary, b. March 28, 1702–3.

Elizabeth, b. July 16, 1709.

John (again), b. March 27, 1714.

The fr. d. Sept. 6, 1725; and his son Simon administered on his estate. He sold, and quitclaimed all his rights in, this land on our territory, to his bro. John, Abijah Luther and wf. Prudence, and Elizabeth Peck. Prudence must have been his sister, though not recorded above. This was in 1736. Simon[4] (reckoning from Rev. Robert[1]) set. in Uxbridge. For further information concerning him and his family, see the able "Genealogy of the Peck Families," by Ira B. Peck, Esq., of Woonsocket, R.I.

PECK, EBENEZER, is the next of this name on our records. He is designated as a "transient person," and is only mentioned as published and m. to Rachel Lesure of this town; cer. Dec. 7, 1780, by Josiah Dean, Esq., justice peace. Next came, —

PECK, GUSTAVUS DARLING, M.D.[6] (Winchester,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Jathniel,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in So. Mendon, now Blackstone, 1787; studied medicine with Dr. Daniel Thurber; graduated in his profession at the age of 21 yrs.; practised a year in his native vicinage; and then set. in Mil., where he gained a large and lucrative run of business for a rural situation, holding various public offices, and acting as a councillor of the Mass. Medical Society. Meantime he m. *Sally Perry*, dr. of Elihu and Lydia (Day) Perry, b. June 4, 1788; cer. in Mil., Dec. 24, 1809, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.: —

ADDISON SUMNER, b. in now Blackstone, July 19, 1810; physician; m. Jane A. Whipple.

ANDREW JACKSON, b. Milford, April 9, 1815; drowned near St. Augustine, Fla., April 19, 1835.

ALBION PERRY, b. Milford, July 7, 1817; m. Sarah Ann Hibbin, Charleston, S.C.

SARAH ANNIS, b. Milford, Aug. 29, 1819; m. Richard Chenery, 1839.

Mrs. Sally d. at Newfield, N.J., Jan. 5, 1869, a. 81 yrs. and 6 mos.

Dr. G. D. Peck d. at Newfield, N.J., March 21, 1875, a. 88 yrs. I have been favored with the following obituary from a Northampton newspaper. Perhaps I shall be excused, if not justified, in presenting it to my readers entire; though, of course, it repeats some of the foregoing facts: —

OBITUARY.

In the death of Dr. Gustavus D. Peck, March 21, at Newfield, N.J., has passed away another old life-mark from King St., in Northampton, — a locality proverbial in years past for its large number of elderly people. Though not so long a resident as others, he made his impression on the community as the trusted family physician, who gave his long and active life unselfishly to his profession for about 65 years. Dr. Peck was born in the town of Mendon, in 1787, and studied his profession with Dr. Daniel Thurber of that town, — a man of note in that vicinity, — and began the practice of medicine, after leaving his friend and teacher, in that part of the town now known as Blackstone. Remaining there but a year, and serving his time as a volunteer in the war of 1812, he removed to Milford, the home of his wife, where he gained a large and lucrative practice, in the course of years, for a country physician. Dr. Peck survived for six years his wife, eldest daughter of Elihu Perry, and granddaughter of James Perry of Holliston, to whom he was married 61 years. They are both remembered as active members of the Edwards church. In 1836 he removed to Sunderland (led to do so by severe domestic bereavement and pecuniary losses), where he gained anew friends and patrons. In 1846 he came to

Northampton, and identified himself with the interests of the town in his quiet, unobtrusive way. The infirmities of years, and a somewhat enfeebled state of health, led him to seek a warmer climate and a new home, at the age of 80 years. With the elasticity of a younger man, and the hopefulness of a boy, he planned and planted, and even then at his advanced age reaped the fruits of his planning and planting, in the happiness of others. In his later years, it was his purpose to leave his profession to younger men; but the sick and suffering continued (not in vain) to seek his aid; and the last labor of his life, but two days before his death, was to visit a woman attacked with apoplexy, because she insisted upon his doing so, — thus ending a life so fittingly begun. He went among strangers, — he died among friends. He joined the Masonic Order at Milford, in September, 1811, and so was for 64 years a member of the fraternity. He was 30 years a member of Jerusalem Lodge at Northampton, of which his son and grandsons are members, and was for eight years High Priest of the Northampton Royal Arch Chapter. His funeral took place Friday, 26th ult., with Masonic honors, at Jerusalem Lodge rooms, and Ionic Lodge of Easthampton joined in the solemnities. One son remains to mourn his loss and cherish his consecrated memory, who shares the cordial sympathy of more distant relatives and friends.

A. P. G.

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., March 27, 1875.

PECK, ADDISON SUMNER, M.D.[7] (Dr. Gustavus D.,[6] Winchester,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Jathniel,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in now Blackstone, July 19, 1810; grad. Boston Medical School, 1831, having studied with his father and with Dr. Jabez Fisher of Boston; commenced practice in Mil.; removed in 1837 to Hatfield, and thence later to Holyoke, and emigrated in 1862 to Aurora, Emeralda Co., Nevada Ter., where he was appointed judge of probate. He m. *Jane S. Whipple*, dr. of Benjamin Whipple of Dunbarton, N.H., Nov., 1835. Their chn.: —

JANE, birth-date not given; d. an infant.

SARAH ELIZABETH, b. Hatfield, 1837; m. Col. Wm. S. B. Hopkins; res. Worcester; 4 chn.

BENJAMIN WHIPPLE, b. Hatfield, 1842; m. a lady in Newfield, N.J.; res. Holyoke; 3 chn.

The mr. d. in Dunbarton, N.H., Jan. 17, 1864. Dr. Addison d. at Aurora, Nevada Ter., April 5, 1866.

PECK, ANDREW JACKSON, the next oldest son of Dr. Gustavus, was cut off prematurely and sadly by drowning, as above indicated.

PECK, ALBION PERRY, youngest son of Dr. Gustavus, m. *Sarah Ann Hibbin* of Charleston, S.C., June 14, 1855. Their chn.: —

JULIA EMMA, b. Northampton, Dec. 23, 1857.

SARAH, b. Northampton, Jan. 30, 1860.

HARRY, b. Northampton, date not given.

Mr. Albion was quite successful as high-school teacher in early manhood, was prospered in business enterprise at a later stage, and held numerous honorable offices of public trust in his ripe maturity as a citizen of Northampton. But serious adversities have beclouded his later years, and he has left the scenes of his greatest good fortune for untried ones elsewhere. Last advices reported him at Vineland, N.J.

Sarah Annis, the only dr. in the family, m. Richard Chenery of Sunder-

land, and had 4 chn.; viz., Chas. Eugene, m. and set. in San Francisco, Cal.; James P., who died in the army; Lieut. Leonard, U.S.N., master of monitor "Catskill;" and Richard, res. San Francisco. Mrs. Sarah Chenery d. at San Francisco Nov. 24, 1864.

Dr. Gustavus D. Peck left living 1 son, 10 gd. chn., and 11 gt. gd. chn.

PECKHAM, Richard S. and wf. *Prudence* are credited with 2 births: —

Isadore, b. Jan. 8, 1842.

Henry Edgar, b. April 27, 1843.

PECKHAM, John A., spindle-maker, appears in directories for 1875, '78, '80.

PENNIMAN. The Pennimans were formerly influential people on our southern frontier, the neighborhood of So. Milford, and incidentally in other parts of the town. They came in from Mendon, and were at one time somewhat numerous, but have now no representative of their family name in our municipality. They were descendants of James Penniman, who arrived from Eng. in the ship "Lion," 1631, and set. at Braintree about 1640. I am not able to trace, with accurate certainty, the links of generation from the immigrant ancestor, through the next three or four generations, to Joseph and Nathan, two bros. who came from Braintree and set. in Mendon about the yr. 1718. Nathan, afterwards known as "Dea. Nathan," with wife *Mary*, set. in the *Quissett* neighborhood, so called, and thence removed to So. Milford. Joseph set. on that part of the old Medfield, *alias* "Country, Road," where Henry Swan now dwells.

PENNIMAN, Nathan, b. March, 1689, had, —

Samuel, b. Oct. 11, 1717; known as "Lieut. Samuel," *alias* "Landlord Penniman."

Jonathan, b. July 30, 1719; not traced.

Nathan, Jun., b. May 8, 1721; not traced.

Ann, b. Oct. 23, 1726; not traced.

Peter, b. Sept. 11, 1728; father of Andrew, decd., of Mendon.

The first wife d. May 11, 1757; and the hus. m., 2d, *Mary Holbrook* of Bell, Jan. 16, 1758. No chn. She d. Sept. 11, 1759. He m., 3d, *Joanna (Thayer) Cheney*, wid. of William Cheney, jun., May 28, 1760; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No chn. He d. June 14, 1773. Death of Mrs. Joanna, Feb. 14, 1766.

PENNIMAN, Lieut. Samuel, or "Landlord Penniman," son of Dea. Nathan; b. in Mendon, possibly Braintree, Oct. 11, 1717; m. *Huldah White*, Dec. 3, 1741, and set. about that time at what is now So. Milford, dwelling near the site now occupied by Samuel P. Hayward's new res. Their chn.: —

William, b. Oct. 10, 1742; d. Feb. 12, 1748.

Huldah, b. Dec. 23, 1744; d. Jan. 30, 1748.

Silence, b. March 12, 1747; d. Jan. 12, 1748.

Elias, b. Dec. 1, 1748; grad. B. U. 1741; physician, etc.

Nathan, b. Oct. 9, 1751; d. Oct. 30, 1761.

Phineas, b. March 1, 1755; d. Oct. 24, 1761.

Mary, b. Jan. 9, 1758; m. Dea. John Hayward, fr. of Jotham, Nathan, etc.

Mrs. Huldah d. July, 1769. The hus. m., 2d, *Deborah* ——, b. Nov. 4, 1734. No records at my command tell who this Deborah was, or give the date of the mge. Perhaps, if I had searched more exhaustively, I could have exhumed the desired facts. Our Mil. records credit them with 2 sons; viz.: —

Samuel, Jun., b. June 24, 1773; our Maj. Penniman, Esq. See his record.

James, b. Jan. 28, 1777; m., but to whom not learned; spent most of his days in Boston; in old age mvd. to Adrian, Mich., where he finally d.

Mrs. Deborah appears to have d. April 2, 1797. The smart old octogenarian took to himself a 3d wf., wid. *Sarah Albee*, previously wid. *Bugbee*, maiden name *Sarah Gore;* cer., 1799; further particulars not given. I find that "Landlord Penniman" was licensed as an innholder, 1778. How long he kept a public house at So. Mil. I have not definitely informed myself. He d. Oct. 7, 1807, a. 90 yrs. His last wf. d. June 21, 1814.

PENNIMAN, Dr. ELIAS, son of "Landlord Penniman;" b. Dec. 1, 1748; grad. of B.U., 1774; stud. medicine, but does not appear to have been a very extensive practitioner, judging from his being much engaged as a retail trader near his fr., at what in our day has been called the Parkman place. He m. *Anna* ——, ptge., nativity, and date of cer. not ascertained. Their chn.:—

CHIRON, b. June 8, 1775; untraced.

OBADIAH, b. Nov. 1, 1776; untraced.

WILLIAM, b. July 1, 1778; untraced.

SYLVANUS JENCKES, b. Feb. 10, 1781; untraced.

JOHN KITTO, b. Jan. 30, 1783; untraced.

POLLY, birth-date not found; m. lawyer Bliss of W. Brookfield.

I am told by one of his nieces that Dr. Elias, when he left Mil., set. in Hardwick, where he d. at an unknown date. What became of the sons she has no knowledge.

PENNIMAN, SAMUEL, Esq., often designated as Maj. Penniman, and earlier as Samuel, jun., son of "Landlord Penniman;" b. June 24, 1773; a very intelligent, enterprising, executive man, engaged early in the manufacture of woollen cloth at the Penniman Factory, so called, in company with others, and still more distinguished as our pioneer in the manufacture and sale of straw goods. He m., 1st, *Hannah Bass* of Bell., dr. of Benj. Bass, b. March 20, 1773; cer. April 28, 1796, where and by whom not found. Their chn:—

DEBORAH, b. April 13, 1797; d. March 19, 1813.

PURCELL, b. Aug. 4, 1799; d. unm. in Boston, Nov. 6, 1868.

SAMUEL BASS, b. March 27, 1801; d. unm. in Mil., May 10, 1827.

Mrs. Hannah d. April 12, 1802. The hus. m., 2d, *Abigail Mellen*, dr. of Col. James and Elizabeth (Russell) Mellen, b. in Hop., June 12, 1775; cer. in Mendon, April 15, 1804. Their chn.:—

CHARLES MELLEN, b. June 2, 1805; m. Lucetta Robinson, Pinkneyville, Miss., 1826.

SARAH HUTCHINSON, b. July 17, 1807; m. Josiah Newell Daniell, Nov. 15, 1827.

HANNAH, b. May 4, 1812, m. George Clinton Ripley of New York, Nov. 24, 1841.

JAMES RUSSELL, b. Feb. 14, 1817; d. Feb. 14, 1818.

The darts of death found many shining marks in this excellent family connection. Esq. Penniman d. in the prime of life and usefulness, Dec. 22, 1817, having become familiar with bereavement. His youngest child soon followed him in 1818; his grown-up son, Samuel B., in 1827; and his married son, Charles M., in 1828. These last mentioned were very promising young men. Charles M. m. the dr. of Dr. Robinson, Pinkneyville, Miss.; and they had 2 chn., both of whom d. in early infancy. What became of their wid. mr. I am not informed. Purcell, the son by his first wf., had a much longer lease of life. He was a still, thoughtful, unassuming man, and peculiar in some of his traits, but

very exemplary, and deservedly respected by all who knew his intrinsic worth. Of Mrs. *Sarah H. Daniell* and her family, I give a record under the name Daniell; which see. She had the care of her venerable wid. mr., Mrs. Abigail (Mellen) Penniman, in her last yrs., and saw her remains interred with kindred dust in the So. Mil. cemetery. She d. in Roxbury, with her dr., Nov. 10, 1862, in her 88th yr.

Her youngest dr., Hannah, m. George Clinton Ripley of New York; cer. Nov. 24, 1841, in Boston, by Rev. Mr. Rogers of Central Church. Mr. Ripley was the son of Thomas and Betsey (Adams) Ripley, b. in Oakham, April 17, 1812. Their chn. are: —

George H., b. Feb. 3, 1848; m. Mary Churchill, Nov. 9, 1870; who have 3 drs.

Anna B, b. Dec. 31, 1849; d. March 26, 1851.

Sarah L., b. Oct. 17, 1851; m. William G. Clapp, Feb. 12, 1879; 1 dr.

PENNIMAN, David, ancestry not traced, appears to have been recd. into Rev. Mr. Frost's church, March 13, 1753, and his wf., *Bettie*, Oct. 7, the same yr. And they had the following-named chn. baptized: —

Cate, bap. July 29, 1754, by Rev. Mr. Thurston.

Anna, bap. Dec. 25, 1757, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

Paul, bap. March 13, 1763, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

Where this family dwelt, whence they came, and whither they went, I have not ascertained.

PENNIMAN, Joseph, Jun., ancestry not traced, with his wf. *Lydia*, were recd. into Rev. Mr. Frost's ch. from the ch. in Woodstock, Ct., Nov. 21, 1762. And they had the following-named chn. bap. here: —

Athildred, bap. Dec. 25, 1763, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

Simeon, bap. Dec. 29, 1765, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

Serrel, or Cyril, bap. April 1, 1770, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

They dwelt a while on the Zuriel Howard, *alias* Sylvanus Adams, place. Mr. P. sold the same to John Hill, in 1775. Whither the family went afterwards, I have not learned.

PERHAM, Eliab Cutler, son of Moses; b. prob. in Up., about 1790; mr's. maiden name unascertained, and likewise his ancestry; left fatherless at the a. of 9 yrs.; res. in early youth among the Davenports of North Mendon; learned the carpenter's trade, and dwelt much of his life in Mil.; m. *Roby Cole*, dr. of Noah and Abilena (Freeman) Cole, b. prob. in Wrentham about 1793; cer. in Mil., Oct. 13, 1817, by Rev. David Long. Their chn: —

Eliab Milton, b. Mil., July 3, 1818; m. Sarah A Smith, March 17, 1842.

Leprelette Miller, b. Mil., July 1, 1822; m. Frances L. Carter; res. Avalanch, Vernon, Co., Wis.

Harriet Mason, b. Mendon, 1829; d. Mendon, March 5, 1854, a. 25 yrs.

Hannah M., b. Mendon, Nov. 2, 1830; m. Austin Bowen, May 22, 1851.

Sarah Cole, b. Mendon, Feb. 12, 1835; m. Henry H. Wright, Boston, July 1, 1860.

An honest, industrious, hard-struggling family, all passed to the great beyond except Leprelette, whose record is below. Mr. E. C. Perham d. in Christian resignation and hope, in Mendon, March 8, 1858. Mrs. Roby, his wid., d. in Mil., Feb., 1871, in her 78th yr.

PERHAM, Eliab Milton, son of Eliab C. and Roby (Cole) Perham, b. Mil., July 3, 1818; m. *Sarah Allen Smith*, dr. of William and Hannah (Darling) Smith, b. in Mendon, date not given; cer. Mendon, March 17, 1842, by the writer. Issue: —

Sarah Smith, b. Aug. 8, 1843; m. Highland Percy.
Emma Milton, b. July 23, 1846; d. July 28, 1881.
Ada Byron, b. Jan. 1, 1849; m. Austin Bowen, Sept. 30, 1873.
Louis Mason, b. Nov. 14, 1851; d. Sept. 1, 1853.
Lida Marion, b. Aug. 20, 1855.
Ella Frances, b. Aug. 16, 1861; d. March 19, 1862.
Fannie Seward, b. Oct. 27, 1864; d. Aug. 29, 1881.

Mr. Perham was an original, independent, ever-busy thinker on religious and philosophical themes: but he and his worthy companion had many struggles with ill health, the toils of life, and frequent afflictions; under which, however, they bore up with exemplary fortitude and patience, enjoying the sympathetic respect of kind friends.

The hus. and fr. d. May 20, 1869. Two drs., as will be seen above, have passed away within about a month of each other, the present yr., 1881. The bereaved mr. survives, but bows much exhausted under her burdens of sorrow.

PERHAM, Leprelette Miller, son of Eliab C. and Roby (Cole) Perham, b. in Mil., July 1, 1822; m. *Frances Lucilla Carter*, dr. of William N. and Mary E. (McFarlan) Carter, b. Catskill, N.Y., March 7, 1838; cer. Readstown, Vernon Co., Wis., date not given, perhaps 1858 or '59, by Eli Hooks, Esq. Issue:—

Francis Eugene, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Jan. 27, 1860.
Ida Verne, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Oct. 14, 1862; m. Abner V. Wolfe, April 12, 1880.
Eva Mae, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Oct. 15, 1864.
Carrie Belle, b. Vernon Co., Wis., April 9, 1866.
Lucy Lelah, b. Vernon Co., Wis., April 22, 1868.
William Nelson, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Nov. 20, 1869.
Mary Ella, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Feb. 26, 1872.
Charles Austin, b. Vernon Co., Wis., July 3, 1874.
Edgar Milton, b. Vernon Co., Wis., Oct. 31, 1876.
Helen Sylvia, b. Vernon Co., Wis., June 14, 1879.

A family of 10 chn., and no death yet — all remarkably healthy — only 1 ever seriously sick. Mr. P., in a letter to me of Nov. 14, 1880, says, "I left Mendon, May 6, 1856. Have lived in Viroqua, Sterling, Readstown and Webster, all in this co. and State. A part of the time I have been engaged in teaching school, the rest in farming. I have never enjoyed *good* health; still, by trying to live in conformity to Nature's laws, I have had tolerable health, with the exception of a fever twice. The first 30 yrs. of my life were spent almost wholly in your immediate vicinity, and, I am heartily glad to say, under your wise instruction. I used to listen to you and others with great pleasure; and the counsels received have, in a good degree, been the companions of my life while living in the West. I think I can truly say that the main object of my life has been to know what was right; and, after having (as I thought) found it, I have had the courage to defend it under all circumstances." Characteristics worthy of imitation.

PERHAM, Reuben F.[4] (John,[3] Benjamin,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Up., Dec. 20, 1805; mr's. maiden name, Elizabeth Snell; m. *Izanna Bennett*, dr. of Nathaniel and Polly (Simpson) Bennett, b. Mil., Nov. 1, 1808; cer. Mendon, Dec. 4, 1831, by the writer. Issue:—

Nancy Elizabeth, b. Mil., Aug. 23, 1832.
Alonzo Mellen, b. Mil., Nov. 3, 1834; contractor for wells; res. in town.

These, I suspect, cannot be all their chn.; but no one has come forward to assist me in making up the complete family record, and so I am obliged to say, no further traced.

PERHAM, AARON, and family, res. several yrs. in town. He d. here, Aug. 11, 1836, a. 36 yrs. No one has helped me to his family record, and I can tell no more.

PERRY, JOHN[4] (Samuel,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Sherborn, June 16, 1703; m. *Mercy*, parentage, birth-date, cer., etc., not ascertained. John[1] came from Eng. in ship "Lion" 1632, set. 1st in Roxbury, and 2d in Medfield. Thence his descendants dispersed into the neighboring towns. Our John[4] appears to have set. on what was afterwards known as the Caleb Albee place, next east of the Isaac Tenney (afterwards Noah Wiswall) place. Probably he located there between 1728 and 1732. How large his original purchase was, or of whom he made it, I have not ascertained. Mendon records show, that, in 1732, he took up 11 acres of common adjoining him, in 1735 two parcels more, containing 8 acres, etc., down to 1745. He had lands on both sides of the road, but the larger portion northward towards the Cedar Swamp, — in all a respectably sized farm. His chn., as recorded in Mendon, were, —

JEDEDIAH, b. March 2, 1729; untraced.

JOHN, Jun., b. April 29, 1731; untraced.

AARON, b. April 17, 1733; m. Mary French, March 4, 1761; set. Princeton.

ENOCH, b. Feb. 22, 1747; m. Esther Bartlett of Newton, Nov. 4, 1776.

DAVID, b. June 14, 1752; untraced.

According to Worcester Probate records, he had also 3 drs.

JOANNA, birth-date not found; m. —— Clark.

MERCY, bap. March 21, 1742; untraced.

BETTIE, bap. Jan. 8, 1743–4; untraced.

The parents were received into our Cong. ch. March 21, 1742, and had 4 chn. bap. the same day, by Rev. Mr. Webb. The fr. made his will Sept. 22, 1761. His real estate was divided May 22, 1770; when Mrs. Mercy's thirds were set off, Enoch was assigned his share on the south side of the road, David on the north side, etc. I have not made search to ascertain the death-dates of the fr. or mr. From what I can learn, few of John Perry's descendants remained long on our territory.

PERRY, JAMES[6] (James,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John,[1] the English immigrant who came over in ship "Lion" 1632), b. in Holl., Dec. 22, 1757; m. *Sarah Johnson*, sister of Nathaniel Johnson, Esq., Holl.; date of cer. not ascertained, prob. 1782. Issue: —

CATHERINE, b. Holl., prob. 1783; m. Samuel Daniell, Mil., Jan. 3, 1802.

Mr. Perry purchased the Saml. Bowditch place, in the easterly part of Bear-hill district, and mvd. his family thither in April, 1783. He was a man of good natural abilities and trustworthy moral integrity. He had an impediment in his speech and stammered unpleasantly; but such were his capabilities as a citizen, that he was nine times elected selectman and eight times an assessor. Unfortunately he was on the board of assessors in 1819, amid the hot contest between the Town party and Parish party, when the latter broke down the assessment, and, as the law then was, left him and his co-assessors responsible for their unintentional error to the extent of many hundreds of dollars. And he d. before indemnification could be made; which finally accrued only to Capt. Henry Nelson, the youngest member and only survivor of that board. James Perry d. April 12, 1823. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. Dec. 14, 1831.

PERRY, ELIHU,[6] bro. of the preceding (James,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Holl., July 23, 1764; m., 1st, *Lydia Day*, dr. of Mordecai and Tabitha (Bullard) Day, b. in our then Precinct, Feb. 21, 1767; cer. May 24, 1787, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

SALLY, b. June 4, 1788; m. Dr. Gustavus D. Peck, Dec. 24, 1809.

ANNIS, b. Sept. 22, 1790; lived unm. a useful life, and d. April 11, 1826.

DANA, b. Sept. 23, 1792; m. Patience Cole, Oct. 26, 1821.

LYDIA, b. July 27, 1795; m. George Howe, Oct. 22, 1818.

Elihu and wf. res. in Mil. ever after marriage, and soon purchased of Aaron Merrifield the ancient Dea. Abijah French farm, on now Prospect St., which thenceforth became their homestead. It contained 70 odd acres, and since their time has generally been called the Elihu Perry place. They were eminently worthy people in all the relations of life. Mrs. Lydia d. April 21, 1826, only 10 days after her unmarried dr. Annis. The hus. m., 2d, *Abigail (Gage) Hunting*, wid. of Joseph Hunting, jun., and mother of Dr. Amory Hunting; cer. 1829, by whom not given. He d. March 5, 1832, a. 68 yrs. In 1876 there were 34 living descendants of Elihu and Lydia, besides 15 more deceased. Mrs. Abigail, the 2d wf., d. in Millbury, Aug. 10, 1839, and was brought to Milford for interment.

PERRY, DANA[7] (Elihu,[6] James,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Mil., Sept. 23, 1792; carpenter; m. *Patience Cole*, dr. of Noah and Abilene Cole, birth-date and place not ascertained; cer. Mil., Oct. 26, 1821, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

JAMES DAY, b. April 14, 1823; m. S. M. Hayden, Uxbridge, 1857.

ELBRIDGE, b. Aug. 4, 1827; m. and set. in Austin, Tex.

ABILENE SOPHIA, b. May 13, 1830; m. Joseph W. Nye, 1848; res. Worcester; 3 chn.

SARAH PECK, b. July 30, 1832; m. Cooledge Brown; had 2 chn.

MELISSA MARIA, b. Dec. 23, 1837; m. William H. Comstock, jun., Jan. 10, 1856; she d. 1865.

SUSAN, d. in early infancy.

CHARLES DANA, d. in early infancy.

Maintained a fair social and moral standing. Mr. Dana d. Dec. 27, 1863; and Mrs. Patience, Feb. 17, 1875; leaving 2 living chn. and 6 gd. chn.

PERRY, ADAMS[6] (Col. Abner,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Holl., March 29, 1773; mr's. maiden name Mary Adams; m. *Anna Wait*, b. Holl., 1772; cer. Holl., Sept. 19, 1790, by Rev. Timothy Dickinson. Their chn.:—

LUCINDA, b. Jan. 21, 1791; m. Ephraim Parkhurst, 1812; she d. Dec. 30, 1821.

JOSIAH, b. Sept. 10, 1792; m. Anna Corbett, April 17, 1817.

BARAK, b. Aug. 21, 1793; untraced.

ABNER, b. July 24, 1795; untraced.

POLLY, b. July 15, 1797; m. David Brown, date not found.

EMERY, b. July 25, 1799; m. and. set. Worcester; a leading singer.

ADAMS, Jun., b. July 4, 1803; m. Clarissa Underwood, Barre, 1822.

COOLEDGE, b. Aug. 20, 1805; m. Hopestill Parkhurst, Feb. 25, 1827.

SEWELL, b. June 26, 1807; m. and set. in Upton.

ANNA, b. Aug. 26, 1810; m. Nathaniel Chessman, 1831.

N. MORRILL, date not found; m. Adelia Hawes.

Adams Perry lived first on the paternal homestead, Holl., afterwards in Barre, and several yrs. in Mil. Whether any of his chn. were b. here, I do not learn; prob. not. His wf., Mrs. Anna, d. here June 11, 1829, as I had occasion

to know from the res. of the family in my house at that time, and my ministration at her funeral. The hus., some yrs. afterward, as I understood, m. a 2d wf., perhaps in Barre; name and particulars not ascertained. He is said to have d. 1845. A family of good natural abilities and reputable character. Several of them I never knew personally; but with Josiah, Emery, Adams, jun., and the younger members I had more or less acquaintance. Of Josiah and Maj. Cooledge I will give full family records. Emery was quite a musical genius. He distinguished himself as a teacher of singing and a ch. choir leader. I think he spent his mature yrs. in Worcester, and d. there. Adams, jun., res. here for a few yrs., and had the birth of one son entered on our records; viz., *Carmel Cheney*, b. Oct. 24, 1824. He qualified himself as a botanic physician, set. in N.H., became quite successful, and d. recently in Portsmouth, receiving honorable memorial.

PERRY, Josiah[7] (Adams,[6] Col. Abner,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. prob. Holl., Sept. 10, 1792; m. *Anna Corbett*, dr. of John and Lydia (Cheney) Corbett, b. April 8, 1797; cer. April 17, 1817, by Samuel Jones, Esq. Their chn.: —

Betsey Corbett, b. Mil., March 20, 1818; m. George W. Howe, May 23, 1841.

Susan Eliza, b. Mil., May 5, 1820; m. Elliot Alden, Oct. 4, 1840.

Sarah Ann, b. Mil., Oct. 20, 1822; m. Silenas C. Gilman, April 28, 1846.

Warren, b. Mil., Sept. 9, 1824; d. April 9, 1825.

Mary Brown, b. Mil., June 10, 1827; m. Charles Blood of Ware, June 10, 1851. They have 4 chn.; viz., *Charles Frederick*, b. 1853; *Frank*, 1855; *Gertrude*, 1857; and *Mary E.*, 1860.

Lydia Wait, b. Oct. 15, 1830; m. Willard Chapin, Aug., 1851.

Hopestill Corbett, b. Oct. 4, 1833; m., 1st, Samuel Hill of Medway, Aug., 1851, who d. Aug. 5, 1858; 2d, Benjamin Holbrook, 1863, who d. Jan. 4, 1865; 3d, De Witt Clinton Gleason, March 10, 1867. They have 1 son, *Perry Gleason*, b. May 23, 1873.

A very worthy family throughout. Mr. Josiah, the fr., d. Oct. 22, 1834. Mrs. Ann, the widowed mr., d. Sept. 9, 1843. Both passed away in middle age, leaving several of their chn. comparatively young.

PERRY, Maj. Cooledge[7] (Adams,[6] Col. Abner,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Aug. 20, 1805; employed in the boot business; m. *Hopestill Parkhurst*, dr. of Capt. Amasa and Mrs. Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Nov. 18, 1811; cer. Feb. 25, 1827, by the writer. Their chn.: —

Mary Jane, b. Dec. 18, 1827; m. Henry C. Dunton, 1857; 3 chn.

Amanda Maria, b. Feb. 16, 1830; m. Hosea Marshall, July 25, 1848; 6 chn.

Nelson Parkhurst, b. July 11, 1832; m. Caroline Rice, date not given; 1 child.

George, b. Feb. 20, 1835; d. a week old.

Caroline Elizabeth, b. June 13, 1836; m. William Rand, date not given; 1 child.

Maj. Cooledge, while industrious in his calling, had a military taste and ambition. He rose rapidly from a private in the Mil. Artillery Co. to be commander of the battalion. But consumption cut him off in the zenith of his promotion, at the early age of 31 yrs. He d. Oct. 13, 1836, leaving his stricken wife with her 4 chn. to make their way through life as best they might. Mrs. Hopestill subsequently m. William P. Haven, April 11, 1839, and had by him 2 chn. See Haven.

PERRY, Capt. Waldo Cutler[7] (Simeon,[6] James,[5] James,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2]

John[1]), b. in Franklin, May 1, 1803, mr.'s maiden name Sybil Cutler; m. *Juliann Boyd*, dr. of Willard and Betsey (Whiting) Boyd, b. Franklin, March 28, 1806; cer. Franklin, Jan. 13, 1824, by Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Emmons. Their chn.: —

Aurelia Josephine, b. Franklin, Sept. 17, 1824; m. Cyrus Chapin, May 25, 1843.

Henry Waldo, b. Mil., March 23, 1834; m. Clara Sophia Woods, Feb. 8, 1866.

Aurelia J. (Perry) Chapin, d. Feb. 12, 1854. She was mr. of the following-named chn.: —

Julia Maria, b. Sept. 18, 1843; d. July 15, 1844.

Alice Boyd, b. May 23, 1845.

William Henry, b. Aug. 10, 1847; d. Jan. 29, 1851.

Kate, b. Aug. 23, 1849; teacher in Claflin pub. school.

Ellen, b. July 10, 1852; d. Aug. 15, 1852.

Adaline Aurelia, b. Jan. 10, 1854; m. Joseph Yeager, and has 1 child at least.

Henry Waldo Perry, by wf. Sophia, had *Charles Waldo*, b. April 18, 1867; d. Dec. 27, 1873. Mrs. Clara Sophia had already d. July 31, 1867; and Henry, the fr., d. Nov. 26, 1876. He is mentioned in the "War-Record of the Rebellion" as having served 100 days. So Capt. Waldo C. and wife are left, in their old age, with only the above-named few surviving gd. chn. They have res. in town nearly 50 yrs. If I mistake not, he acquired his title of *Capt.* as commander of a cavalry co. in Norfolk County early in manhood. I think his first occupation here was that of saddle and harness maker, and later of grocer. He has served on our board of selectmen, and in 1846 represented the town in Gen. Court. Social standing of himself and wife highly respectable.

PERRY, Aaron E., ptge. and ancestry not traced; m. *Mary W. Littlefield*, cer. Sept. 20, 1832, by Rev. D. Long. I have obtained no family record, but find them credited, among town births, with the following-named chn.: —

Mary E., b. Sept. 23, 1833.

Leonard, b. Aug. 27, 1835.

Adelaide, b. Sept. 14, 1839.

Elmira, b. Aug. 31, 1842.

Probably there were others b. at a later date, but I have excused myself from further research into the history of this family. I see, however, in our last directory, the name of —

PERRY, Mary, widow of Aaron E., res. 19 Fruit St.; and also of

PERRY, Aaron W., and

PERRY, Abbott, as her boarders.

I thence infer that these belong to the family of Aaron E., decd.

PERRY, Daniel B., ancestry untraced; formerly res. some yrs. in town, and was one of the preceptors of Milford Academy in its day. By wife *Mary S. (Clark)* he had, while here, —

Betsey C., b. Oct. 25, 1840.

No further traced.

PERRY, Rev. Edward Albert[9] (Albert,[8] William,[7] Abel,[6] Abel,[5] Samuel,[4] Samuel,[3] John,[2] John,[1] the English immigrant ancestor), b. May 21, 1842; mr.'s maiden name Jane Salmon Hart; pastor of our Mil. Universalist Ch. and Society from April 1, 1873, to April 1, 1878; m. *Mary Alice Bullard*, dr. of Joseph and Harriet (Loker) Bullard, b. Wayland, Dec. 18, 1842; cer. Wayland, Nov. 4, 1868, by Rev. Edmund H. Sears, D.D. Their chn.: —

HENRY JOSEPH, b. Jan. 28, 1871.

CARLTON ALBERT, b. May 27, 1876.

Mr. Perry's gt. grd. fr., Abel Perry, was a man of large property, and once owned nearly all the land on which the flourishing village of Natick now stands. He was a Revolutionary lieut., and his commission was signed by Gen. Joseph Warren a month before he fell at Bunker Hill. His maternal gt. grd. fr. was one of the famous worthies, who, dressed in Indian costume, threw the cargo of imported tea overboard in Boston Harbor; in consequence of which he changed his name from Haupt to Green. No wonder that, inheriting such patriotic blood, Mr. Perry should himself be a brave patriot, as he is. He gives me a summary of his career in the following words: —

"I was born at Framingham, Mass., May 21, 1842. In 1844 moved to Western New York with my parents; returning with them to Framingham in 1853. Thence moved to Southboro' in 1855, and, after a few weeks, to Marlboro'. Served in the war of the Rebellion, as a member of Co. I, 5th Regt., Mass. Vol. Militia, from Aug. 20, 1862, to July 2, 1863. Graduated at Marlboro' High School in 1862. Graduated from Tufts College in 1867. Taught the New Salem Academy for two terms, in 1867 and 8. In Feb., 1868, took charge of Univ. Parish, West Scituate, Mass., and was ordained Jan. 12, 1869. Took charge of Univ. Parish at Provincetown, Mass., May 2, 1871. Took charge of 1st Univ. Parish, Mil., April 1, 1873."

After leaving this town in 1873, he was immediately settled as pastor of the Universalist Parish in Quincy, where he now is. He is congenially married, is very active in his pastoral calling, and has had good success as a clergyman.

A few other Perrys have dwelt transiently in town, but I need not specify them.

PHILLIPS. Few of this name appear on our records. The first family found is that of —

PHILLIPS, ELIAS, and wife *Lois;* 4 chn. credited to them; viz., —

CALEB } (twins), b. March 25, 1791.
JOSHUA } b. March 25, 1791.

NAHUM, b. April 7, 1793.

MERINDA, b. Nov. 24, 1794.

Whence this family came, where they dwelt, or whither they went, I get no intimation.

PHILLIPS, JOSHUA, and wf. *Mary,* purport to have been of Bell., but seem to have attended the Cong. ch. here, and the wife to have been a member. They probably dwelt on our borders, and had the following-named chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost: —

AMOS, bap. May 3, 1772.

ELIAS, bap. May 3, 1772.

MARY, bap. May 3, 1772.

ASA, bap. May 3, 1772.

ABIGAIL, bap. Dec. 6, 1772.

MILLE, bap. May 18, 1777.

SUSANNA, bap. June 6, 1779.

CALEB, bap. April 1, 1781.

SARAH, bap. June 8, 1783.

HANNAH, bap. Oct. 2, 1785.

The family no further traced. What other Phillipses transiently inhabited the town, I know not.

In our 1st directory, pub. 1856, the following are named: —

PHILLIPS, Aaron, Dr., res. Chessman St.
PHILLIPS, William, last manuf.; res. on So. Mil. road.
PHILLIPS, William A., last manuf.; res. So. Mil. road.
PHILLIPS, John A., last manuf.; res. So. Mil. road.

In our 2d directory, 1869, the following are named: —

PHILLIPS, Herbert, bootmaker, bds. 39 Pearl St.
PHILLIPS, Herbert, bootmaker, 81 Central St., bds. J. A. Snow's.
PHILLIPS, John A., bootmaker, h. So. Main St., near Mellen.
PHILLIPS, John, machinist, bds. at L. R. Draper's.
PHILLIPS, Sarah, wid., h. rear of Main, opp. Fruit.

John Phillips, the machinist, has remained most of the time in town since 1869, and was m. a yr. or two since; but I do not find him in Directory for 1880.

John A. Phillips has remained steadily in town since 1856, and I give his family record below.

PHILLIPS, Wellington, appeared in Directory for 1875; clerk Milford Hotel.
PHILLIPS, William S., appears 1880, butcher, h. So. Main, below Fruit St.

No family record from him.

PHILLIPS, John Andrew, son of William and Margery Hale (Pratt) Phillips, immigrants from Eng., b. Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 10, 1831; m. *Sarah Elizabeth Rawson*, dr. of Maynard and Sarah (Albee) Rawson, b. Mil., Jan. 4, 1838; cer. Mil., July 6, 1857, by Rev. Mr. Bailey. Their chn.: —

Angeline E., b. Oct. 19, 1857; d. aged 12 yrs.
Stephen Douglas, b. Oct. 7, 1860.
John Charles, b. April 25, 1863.
William Frederick, b. Jan. 23, 1867.
Bertha Estelle, b. March 14, 1870.
Frank Dwight, b. Feb. 6, 1873.
George Albee, b. Feb. 7, 1876.
Sarah Elizabeth, b. Dec. 7, 1878.

An industrious, orderly, well-disposed family; res. on the Maynard Rawson place, So. Main St., near Mellen. Mr. P. is an experienced boot-finisher.

PHIPPS. We have had a few of this name. They came in from Holl. and Hop. Their immigrant ancestor was James, from Bristol, Eng. He set., prior to 1650, at Pemaquid, near the mouth of the Kennebec River, Me. He had 26 chn., — 5 drs. and 21 sons. Among these sons was one who was created a Knight of Eng. by James II., and was gov. of Massachusetts under King William III. Before the line between Mil. and Hop. was straightened in 1835, David Phipps was one of our citizens. I will therefore begin with his family record, so far as I can command it.

PHIPPS, David[7] (Samuel,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. 1779; m. *Elizabeth Stimer*, dr. of John and Elizabeth (May) Stimer, b. Jan. 20, 1781; cer. Roxbury, May 12, 1800, by Rev. Dr. Porter. Their chn.: —

Samuel, b. Feb. 10, 1801; m. Rebecca Howe, Fram., April 4, 1824; he d. 1873.
Lewis Sumner, b. Jan. 30, 1803; m. Nancy Lackey, Hop., June, 1824.
Susanna, b. March 16, 1805; m. Aaron Holbrook, Sherborn.
Nancy M., b. June 20, 1807; m. Sanford Drake, Sharon; she d. 1851.
Aaron Bidwell, b. July 21, 1809.
Isaac Bonney, b. Nov. 11, 1812; m. Achsa Allard, Hop.
Hannah Maria, b. Feb. 20, 1817; m. Henry Howe, Sherborn.
David Nelson, b. June 6, 1819; m. Abigail Wales, Hop.

Charlotte Mary, b. Sept. 18, 1821; m. Reuben Smith, Hop.

Marcus Chauncy, b. March 14, 1825; m. Amy Wheelock, Mendon, Nov. 15, 1849.

Elizabeth Ellen, b. Nov. 9, 1827; m. Henry McDonald, Halifax, N.S.; she d. 1847.

David Phipps was a large-hearted, intelligent, liberal-minded man, and, with a worthy companion, raised a numerous family, whose characters do honor to their parents. Mrs. Elizabeth d. Hop., May 5, 1865; and he d. Sept. 5, 1865, a. 85 yrs. and 8 mos. They left 58 gd. chn., and 26 gt. gd. chn.

PHIPPS, Aaron[7] (Samuel,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. Hop., June 20, 1789; m. *Polly H. Phipps* of Thompson, Ct., dr. of Jason and Rebecca (Adams) Phipps, b. in Thompson, Ct., June 11, 1788; cer. 1813. Their chn.: —

Lucien Bonaparte, b. Hop., Sept. 29, 1814; unm.; res. Hop.

Harriet Bowker, b. Hop., Dec. 3, 1815; m. William Hyde.

Newell, b. Hop., Feb. 25, 1817; m. Ann Maria Bowker, Feb. 14, 1838.

Erastus Otis, b. Hop., Jan. 19, 1819; res. in various places; a soldier in the late war.

Albert, b. Hop., Oct. 7, 1820; m. Martha Littlefield, 1844; res. Cherokee, Ia.; 8 chn.

Lewis, b. Hop., July 28, 1822; m. Abby Allen Marshall, Dec. 7, 1846.

Sarah Chamberlain, b. Hop., Oct. 1, 1824; m. Isaac Mellen of Ashland, 1848; 5 chn.

William Godfrey, b. Hop., Oct. 12, 1826; m. Ann Goss, 1848; 8 chn.; he d. about 1869.

Aaron Phipps was a hard-working farmer and stone-layer, honest, and well disposed towards his fellow-men, but unfortunately sometimes his own enemy. Mrs. Polly, his wife, was an unexceptionably worthy woman. They dwelt most of their lives on a small farm now in Hop., once in Mil. near the line. Mrs. Polly d. Oct. 30, 1826. Mr. Phipps d. June 11, 1839.

PHIPPS, Lewis[8] (Aaron,[7] Samuel,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. in Mil., now Hop., July 28, 1822; m. *Abby A. Marshall*, dr. of Hezekiah and Nabby (Pierce) Marshall, b. Hop., July 16, 1827; cer. Mil., Dec. 7, 1846, by Rev. Mr. Mills. Their chn.: —

Waldo G., b. Mil., Sept. 10, 1849; d. Oct. 31, 1870.

Wilbur F., b. Mil., May 17, 1851; m. Abby T. Bailey, May, 1878; res. Plymouth.

George L., b. Mil., Nov. 23, 1854; d. March 13, 1856.

They have 2 grandchn., the offspring of Wilbur F. and Abby T. Phipps, who now res. in Plymouth; viz., Inez M., b. Nov. 6, 1878, and Waldo L., b. May 12, 1880. Plain, honest, worthy, laboring people, who have struggled with their full share of life's adversity, but preserved their moral integrity. They have res. mostly in Milford.

PHIPPS, Hollis[7] (Moses,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4], John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. 1798 or 9; mr.'s maiden name Hopestill Day; bootmaker; long res. in Mil.; m., 1st., *Elvira L. Day*, wid. of Stephen W. Day; cer. 1830. No. chn.

Mrs. Elvira d., date not ascertained. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha Ann Batchelder*.

Mrs. Martha Ann d. Jan. 16, 1849. The hus. m., 3d, *Adelaide Russell*, dr. of Thomas and Maria (Potter) Russell, b. in So. Bellingham, Nov. 13, 1844; no particulars of cer. obtained. No chn.

Mr. Phipps res. on No. Bow St. He was an orderly, quiet, well-disposed citizen, remarkably reticent, though a persistent thinker. He minded strictly his own business, was just and peaceable toward all, and harmed none. He d. Dec. 1, 1879, a. 81 yrs. 1 mo. and 6 ds. Mrs. Adelaide, his wid., m. Amos M. Haskins, Oct. 25, 1880; cer. by the writer.

PHIPPS, WALDO[9] (William Adams,[8] Moses,[7] Samuel,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. Hop., Oct. 9, 1836; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Bowker; butcher; m. *Margaret Hart Claflin*, dr. of William H. Harrison and Margaret Railton (Thompson) Claflin, b. Holl., March 2, 1842; cer. at Hopedale, Aug. 17, 1862, by the writer. Their chn.:—

JENNIE LOUISE, b. Oct. 21, 1864.

MAGGIE ISABEL, b. June 18, 1868; d. March 31, 1869.

Have res. in Hop. and Mil. Reputable and worthy family.

PHIPPS, JOSEPH BOWKER[9] (William A.,[8] Moses,[7] Samuel,[6] Aaron,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] James[1]), b. Hop., June 27, 1848; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Bowker; provision dealer; m. *Mary Wheeler Walker*, dr. of William and Susan (Wheeler) Walker, b. Hop., Aug. 23, 1850; cer. at bride's parental res., Mil., June 10, 1869, by the writer. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM WALKER, b. Hop., June 26, 1870.

FRANK GIFFORD, b. Hop., July 4, 1872.

GEORGE VERNON, b. Hop., May 28, 1874.

Have res. in Hop. and Mil. Reputable and worthy, as before said of Waldo's family.

PICKERING, DANIEL WILCOX, son of Simon and Rhoda, b. in, I think, So. Mendon, now Blackstone; m. *Elizabeth Thompson*, dr. of Asa Thompson, So. Mendon; cer. Mil., Sept. 3, 1829, by the writer. They res. more or less time in Mil., and had 1 birth recorded here; viz., Alonzo Wilcox, b. Dec. 7, 1841. He was a soldier in the civil war (see p. 173), but came home safe. He d. suddenly in W. Med., Aug. 12, 1878, leaving a wid. and 6 chn. He had an elder bro., Julius A. Pickering, b. 1829 (see p. 173). What other chn. the pts. had I know not, except Rhoda, who d. in infancy, May 22, 1840. Daniel W. d. Oct. 24, 1852, a. 46 yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid., d. Feb. 8, 1865.

PICKERING, SIMON, son of Simon and Rhoda, bro. of Daniel W., b. in the same general locality; m. *Elizabeth Whiting* of Franklin; cer. Bell., Jan. 26, 1832, by the writer. Issue on our records:—

ADDISON H., b. May 17, 1835.

ELLEN M., b. April 14, 1839.

MARY E., b. July 21, 1841.

WILLARD R., b. Sept. 17, 1842.

It is not improbable that they had other chn., but I have not had opportunity to learn the facts. They res. some yrs. in Mil.; and the fr. d. here, Aug. 3, 1859, a. 59 yrs. No further informed.

PICKERING, RALSMOND ALONZO, son of another Simon Pickering, and gd. son of David; mr.'s maiden name Roxcellana Handy; b. Burrillville, R.I., Feb. 7, 1825; bootmaker; m., 1st, *Mary Ann Hayford*, dr. of Ira and Mary (Darling) Hayford, b. Holl., Aug. 29, 1826; cer. Thompson, Ct., July 7, 1844, by Vernon Stiles, Esq. Issue:—

RALSMOND ALONZO, b. Mil., Nov. 11, 1847; d. Aug. 17, 1848, a. 9 mos. 6 ds.

Mrs. Mary Ann d. in Mil., Oct. 26, 1871, a. 45 yrs. 1 mo. 28 ds. The hus. m., 2d, *Agnes Kinney*, dr. of John and Nancy (McGinnis) Kinney, b. in the co.

of Galway, Ireland, March 3, 1847; cer. Mil., Sept. 5, 1872, by Rev. P. Cuddihy. Issue: —

Ralsmond Alonzo, b. Feb. 15, 1877.

Mr. P. has been a steady employé in town since Aug. 12, 1844.

PICKERING, Oscar Fitzallen, bro. of Ralsmond A.; b. Burrillville, R.I., Oct. 23, 1826; bootmaker; m. *Catherine Holloran*, dr. of Patrick and Alice (Aherne) Holloran, b. co. of Clare, Ireland, June 24, 1832; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Dec. 27, 1857, by Rev. John Boyden. Issue: —

Charles Francis, b. Mil., Sept. 27, 1858.

Alice, b. Mil., Jan. 9, 1860.

Mr. Pickering has res. in town, usefully employed in his calling, since some time in 1843.

PIERCE. The Pierces have never been numerous on our territory, yet sufficiently so within and near it to demand my attention. With some kind help from Frederick Clifton Pierce, Esq., author of the "History of Grafton," and compiler of the "Pierce and Peirce Genealogies," etc., superadded to my own researches, I tabulate as follows: —

PIERCE, Nathaniel[7] (Seth,[6] John,[5] John,[4] Joseph,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1] of Watertown, the original immigrant of this lineage), b. in Stoughton, Sept. 23, 1757; mr.'s maiden name Angelette Clark; m., 1st, *Anna Hemenway*, b. Nov. 26, 1765; cer. May 28, 1782. Issue: —

Angelette, b. Sept. 12, 1782; m. John Hoar, Jan. 9, 1803; emigrated to Vt.; 4 chn.

Sarah, b. March 8, 1785; d. Aug. 29, same year.

Mrs. Anna d. Aug. 12, 1785; and the hus. m., 2d, *Tryphena Barber*, b. Feb. 23, 1761; cer. May 24, 1786. Issue: —

James, b. Oct. 5, 1786; d. June 10, 1791.

Sally, b. Feb. 17, 1788; m., 1st, George Garfield, and 2d, James Montgomery; 7 chn.

Nathaniel, b. Nov. 4, 1789; m. Lois Parker; family record desired, but not obtained.

Keziah, b. March 30, 1791; d. April 22 ensuing.

James, b. March 22, 1792; m. Polly Gay, March 17, 1821.

Keziah A., b. Oct. 20, 1793; m. Calvin Hunting of Cambridge.

Polly, b. May 27, 1795; m. Chester Clark, Mil., April 2, 1822.

John, b. Jan. 4, 1798; m. Sarah B. Griswold; res. East Cambridge.

George B., b. April 19, 1800; m. Sarah Fisher, April 23, 1826.

The hus. and fr. d. March 8, 1832. Mrs. Tryphena, his wid., d. June 1, 1840.

PIERCE, James[8] (Nathaniel,[7] Seth,[6] John,[5] John,[4] Joseph,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. March 22, 1792; m. *Polly Gay;* cer. March 17, 1821. Issue: —

William M., b. Nov. 16, 1821; m. Amelia Darling.

James Pierce d. in Braggville, July 27, 1879, a venerable man.

PIERCE, George Barber[8] (Nathaniel,[7] Seth,[6] John,[5] John,[4] Joseph,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. April 19, 1800; mr.'s maiden name Tryphena Barber; m. *Sarah Fisher*, dr. of Timothy, jun., and Abigail (Gibbs) Fisher, b. March 12, 1805; cer. April 23, 1826, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

Mary Elizabeth, b. Mil., Oct. 10, 1829; unm.; res. dutifully with her pts. till their death.

George Amory, b. Mil., July 10, 1836; d. Nov. 23, 1858, 25th yr.

Abigail Fisher, b. Mil., Sept. 28, 1838; d. July 23, 1840, 2d yr.

James Augustus, b. Mil., Nov. 19, 1842; d. Aug. 19, 1842, 2d yr.

A worthy and much respected family, greatly desolated by death. Mary Elizabeth alone survives. Both parents have passed away since this family record was furnished me, Aug. 2, 1877. I have not at hand the date of Mr. P.'s death, but I think it must have been in 1878. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. Nov. 15, 1880, in her 76th yr. The parents were permanent, well-known residents of Mil. Centre.

PIERCE, WILLIAM M.[9] (James,[8] Nathaniel,[7] Seth,[6] John,[5] John,[4] Joseph,[3] Anthony,[2] John[1]), b. Nov. 16, 1821; mr's. maiden name Polly Gay; m. *Amelia Darling;* cer. Dec. 31, 1846. Issue:—

JOHN H., b. May 23, 1848; m. Lorena Bradfield, April 5, 1873; he d. July 30, 1875.

JAMES M., b. Sept. 26, 1854; m. his bro.'s wid., Jan. 30, 1876.

The chn. of the two bros. by Lorena (Bradfield) Pierce were, —

JOHN H., b. Dec. 21, 1873; d. young.

JOHN H., b. May 30, 1877. No further informed.

PIERCE, HENRY (marked by his hair-lip), was b. in Dummerston, N.H., and m. *Phila Thomas* of Mendon. They had several chn., 2 of whom I personally knew; viz., —

LUCY ANN, wf. of Benjamin Newton. She d. April 6, 1881, in her 70th yr.

LYDIA, m. Amasa McFarland of Hop., April 8, 1838; they res. in Southville.

I am unable to speak of the others with certainty. The parents res. several yrs. in Mil. and vicinity. The fr. d. Hop., 1842, a. 72 yrs. Mrs. Phila, his wid., d. Holl., 1859, a. 84 yrs.

PIERCE, HARRY C., and wf. *Cynthia*, are credited on our records with 1 birth:—

EZRA, b. March 25, 1838. Family no further traced.

PIERCE, DARIUS, m. *Lois Read;* pedigrees untraced; cer. July 25, 1830, by the writer. Issue recorded here:—

MARIA, b. Jan. 5, 1831.

PIERCE, JOSEPH R., son of Franklin and Eleanor (Lamb) Pierce, b. Athol, 1826; m. *Charlotte R. Jones*, dr. of John and Malinda (Chamberlain) Jones, b. Mil., March 25, 1834; cer. Hopedale, June 22, 1862, by the writer. Issue:—

CRAWFORD HENRY, b. July 12, 1863.

This family left town some yrs. ago. Very worthy people.

PIERCE, SIDNEY W., son of Elisha D. and Lydia P. (Potter) Pierce, b. in Rehoboth, Dec. 9, 1837; m. *Ann Frances M. Proctor*, dr. of John R. and Nancy C. (Mason) Proctor, b. Olneyville, R.I., Aug. 18, 1836; cer. Olneyville, R.I., May 9, 1861, by Rev. Mr. Hays. Issue:—

LUTHER S., b. Providence, R.I., Oct. 25, 1866; d. Jan. 11, 1867.

LUETTA S., b. Providence, R.I., Feb. 6, 1868.

Believed to be a reputable family. They have res. in town about 8 yrs. Mr. P. is by occupation a mason.

PIERCE, DAVID, son of William and Harriet (Cleveland) Pierce, b. Needham, April 10, 1838; m. *Annie R. Gurrell*, dr. of William and Nancy (Davis) Gurrell, b. Nantucket, Oct. 6, 1840; cer. Nantucket, May 12, 1858, by Rev. E. A. Alderman. Issue:—

ARTHUR C., b. Mil., Oct. 4, 1860; d. Oct. 10 ensuing.

D. WALDO, b. Mil., July 10, 1871.

Mr. Pierce has been too long known and esteemed as our railroad conductor to need characterization.

PIERCES MENTIONED IN OUR DIRECTORIES.

PIERCE, JOHN A., bootmaker. 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78, '80.
PIERCE, JONATHAN, stone-workman in No. Purchase. 1856.
PIERCE, CHARLES, auctioneer and hotel-keeper. 1856.
PIERCE, HARVEY C., farmer in Wild Cat. 1856.
PIERCE, AUGUSTUS, at Spaulding & Mowry's. 1869, '72, '75.
PIERCE, CLARENDON J., bootmaker. 1869, '72.
PIERCE, CRAWFORD, nailmaker, bootmaker. 1869, '72, '75, 78, '80.
PIERCE, HARRISON, bootmaker. 1869.
PIERCE, LAMBERT, Jun., grocer, Howard & Pierce. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.
PIERCE, WILLIAM A., paper-box maker. 1869; perhaps same called express-messenger.
PIERCE, CHARLES E., machinist, Hopedale. 1872, '75, '78, '80.
PIERCE, ALONZO, bootmaker. 1875.
PIERCE, CHARLES, machinist, Hopedale. 1875.
PIERCE, JOHN A., bootmaker, Main St., East. 1875, '78.
PIERCE, HARRY, farmer, Hartford turnpike. 1878.
PIERCE, WILLIAM A., express-messenger. 1878, '80.
PIERCE, HIRAM H., sole-cutter. 1880.

PILLING, SAMUEL, son of Samuel and Jane (Eaton) Pilling, b. Darwen, Eng., Aug. 24, 1845; machinist; m. *Mary Hibbard*, dr. of Emmanuel and Ellen (Davis) Hibbard, b. Ashton, Eng., Aug. 2, 1848; cer. Providence, R.I., April 17, 1870, by Rev. Mr. Wright. Issue: —

CHARLES ALBERT, b. Hopedale, Jan. 16, 1871.
FRANK WINTON, b. Hopedale, June 1, 1873.
MABEL LOUISA, b. Hopedale, Oct. 13, 1875.
ALICE, b. Hopedale, Oct. 2, 1881.

Industrious, orderly, worthy family. They have res. Hopedale since 1870.

PLUMB, SAMUEL, of Ward, pedigree, etc., not traced; m. *Chloe Allen*, dr. of Seth and Elizabeth Allen, b. Holl., June 12, 1766; cer. Mil., March 13, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue as recorded here: —

EBENEZER, b. May 29, 1788; untraced.
SALLY, b. March 4, 1791; untraced.
ALLEN, b. April 22, 1794; d. June 18, 1796.
BETSEY, b. 1796; d. June 9, 1796.
ALLEN, b. Jan. 20, 1798; m. Sarah Salisbury, July 4, 1843.
SAMUEL, Jun., b. Jan. 17, 1801; m. Julia Ann L. Allen, Aug. 27, 1832.

When or where the parents d., I have no information. They must have res. in Mil. at least 15 to 20 yrs.; i.e., from soon after their mge. till after Samuel, jun., was b. They then prob. left town for some other locality.

PLUMB, SAMUEL, Jun., son of Samuel and Chloe (Allen) Plumb, b. Jan. 17, 1801; m. *Julia Ann L. Allen*, dr. of Henry and Lucinda Allen; cer. in Mil., Aug. 27, 1832, by Rev. D. Long. I have very recently seen a letter from her to a friend in Hopedale, from which I learned that she and her hus. are living in Boston. They have had several chn., one or two of whom still survive. Her hus. is much broken down in health. She herself is a clairvoyant and spiritualistic healer at 63 Russell St., Charlestown District, successfully supporting her dependent family. She and her sister, the late Mrs. Richard M. Metcalf, were rendered motherless by the Nathan Parkhurst fire, Oct. 26, 1814. In that fire her mr. and aunt Dolly Allen perished.

POND. "A Genealogical Record of Daniel Pond and his Descendants," by Edward Doubleday Harris, resident member of the Mass. Historical Society, was published by William P. Lunt, Boston, in 1873. This volume treats of all the Pond families in Mil. and the country at large. I am indebted to it for many of the genealogical facts presented under this name. I will commence with the wid. of one David Pond, who was m. by Rev. Amariah Frost, July 2, 1767, to John Thayer, jun., both being recorded as of Mendon, and, as I suppose, partly in the Easterly Precinct. This supposition may be incorrect, but I venture to proceed upon it.

POND, Mrs. MERCY, is believed to have been the dr. of Joseph and Mary Daniels, res. near the Coverdale place, formerly Mendon, now in the edge of Blackstone. She was m. to *David Pond*, a native of Wrentham, by an early Baptist minister of Bellingham, Dec. 19, 1740. The "Pond Gen." makes the said David [4] to have been the eldest son of David,[3] who was the 2d son of John,[2] who was a son of Daniel.[1] David [4] was b. in Wrentham, Jan. 31, 1719–20. He seems to have been a roving adventurer, and a speculator in lands; to have owned various estates in Mendon, Uxbridge, and Douglas; to have become at length bankrupt; to have fled to parts unknown; and, in 1761, to have been reported dead. He left 2 chn.; viz., —

SAMUEL, b. Ashuelot, N.H., March 2, 1742; and SEVA, b. in Mendon, June 13, 1747.

As before said, his wid., Mercy (Daniels) Pond, became the wf. of John Thayer, jun. See "Pond Gen.," p. 34.

POND, AARON [4] (Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel [1]), saddler; set. in Holl., now a part of Braggville. He bought of Jonathan Jones, one of the Holliston race of Joneses, a dwelling-house and farm of 72 acres, close on our border. For his 1st wf. he m. *Elizabeth*, dr. of Thomas and Elizabeth Jones, Holl., Nov. 2, 1759. She d. April 27, 1790. For his 2d wf. he m. *wid. Ruth French* of Mendon. She was originally Ruth Daniels of Holl., and became the wf. of Samuel French in 1767. She d. Feb. 27, 1793. For his 3d wf. he m., Oct. 10, 1793, *wid. Elizabeth Bridges*. He d. Oct. 25, 1815. His chn., all by his 1st wf., were, —

MILCHA, b. Aug. 24, 1760; m. Elijah Bullard, Holl.

AARON, b. July 10, 1763; who lived and d. in Holl.

THEODORE, b. Oct. 10, 1765; lived in Sherborn, Holl., and last Mil.

ABNER, b. Aug. 8, 1768; set., lived, and d. in Mil.

ZADOC, b. Nov. 20, 1771; set., lived, and d. in Hop.

JONATHAN, b. March 21, 1774; set. in Holl., and then lived in Med.

POND, AARON [5] (Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel [1]), capt. of militia; m., April 13, 1786, *Silence Underwood*, dr. of Joshua and Lydia (Eames) Underwood of Holl. He d. Nov. 20, 1815. She long survived him, and became the wf. of John Claflin, sen., dying April 5, 1844. The chn. of Aaron and Silence (Underwood) Pond, all b. in Holl., were, —

SYLVIA, b. June 19, 1787; m. Simeon Leland, 1806, and removed to Vt.

ANNA, b. Aug. 3, 1789; m. Jesse Despeaux, Sept. 10, 1807.

LYMAN, b. July 1, 1791; d. Feb. 1, 1792.

PRESTON, b. March 17, 1793; harness-maker; res. many yrs. in Warren, Wis.

PHILIP, b. April 19, 1795; farmer; res. mostly, if not always, in Holl.

BETSEY JONES, b. Oct. 6, 1798; m. Ebenezer H. Currier, Holl., April 3, 1817.

LYDIA UNDERWOOD, b. May 4, 1801; m. Martin Fisk, son of Levi, Holl.

CLARISSA UNDERWOOD, b. Oct. 9, 1803; m. Lawson Daniels, Holl., March 28, 1822.

SALLY, b. May 29, 1806; m. Asia Madden, Mil., Feb. 10, 1824.

POND, THEODORE[5] (Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), farmer; first set. Sherborn, but returned to Holl., where he resided 15 yrs.; then took up his abode in Mil. He m. at Sherb., Aug. 17, 1799, *Sally*, dr. of Reuben Bruce of Vt. He d. Mil., July 13, 1832. She was b. in Hop., and d. in Mil., April 15, 1848, in her 67th yr. Their chn. were, —

CHARLES, b. in Holl., June 6, 1802; machinist; res. for many yrs. in Ct.

SALLY, b. in Holl., June 12, 1804; m. Adam Hunt, Mil., Dec. 10, 1826.

AMBROSE, b. in Med., Sept. 4, 1806; d. Mil., June 14, 1830.

JOANNA, b. in Holl., Mar. 19, 1810; m. Ariel Lackey, Up., Nov. 8, 1830; d. June 12, 1843.

AARON WHITAKER, b. Holl., Aug. 31, 1812; bootmaker; res. mostly in Mil.

GILBERT, b. Holl., Nov. 16, 1814; bootmaker and musician; res. mostly in Mil.

RUFUS, b. Holl., Aug. 3, 1819; res. Mil., and for some time in Chicago.

POND, ABNER[5] (Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), farmer; set. in the easterly pt. of Mil. in the Braggville neighborhood, latterly so called. He m. *Betsey (alias Elizabeth) French*, cer. Aug. 12, 1790. She was a dr. of Samuel and Ruth (Daniels) French, Mendon, b. Aug. 20, 1771. She had a twin sister Mary, who became the wf. of Salem Sumner, and removed with him to the West, at least as far as N. Y. or Ohio. Her wid. mother, as we have seen, became the sec. wf. of her hus.'s fr. Abner Pond d. Aug. 9, 1841. His wf. d. June 26, 1856. Their chn. were, —

TWO DRS. that d. in early infancy; names, if any, not given.

JONES, b. July 10, 1793; carpenter; res. much in Mil., and finally in Hop.

FRENCH, b. Sept. 10, 1795; d. July 10, 1798.

POLLY, b. March 10, 1799; m. Abel Brown, Mil., Aug. 1, 1818.

HANNAH, b. Sept. 10, 1801; m. Samuel Oliver, Mil., Nov. 6, 1825.

ABNER FRENCH, b. Jan. 17, 1810; res. chiefly in Mil., but transiently elsewhere.

CHILD, that d. in infancy; no name transmitted.

SAMUEL DEXTER, b. Feb. 2, 1814; farmer, etc.; res. some yrs. on the old place, latterly elsewhere; now in Spencer.

POND, ZADOC[5] (Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), saddler; m. *Margaret Gibson*, Oct. 20, 1796, and set. in Hop. See "Pond Gen.," p. 86.

POND, JONATHAN[5] youngest son of Aaron[4]; farmer Holl. and Med.; m. *Polly Wiswall*, Oct. 30, 1796. See same Gen. and p.

POND, BARZILLAI[5] (Benjamin,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Daniel[1]), b. in Wrentham, July 26, 1759, one of a family of 8. He served several short terms in the Revolutionary war, commencing at the age of 17 yrs. He m., for his 1st wf., *Melecent Fairbanks*, dr. of Capt. Asa and Sarah Fairbanks of Franklin, Sept. 18, 1782. He res. in Frank. till 1804, when he removed to W. Med. There his wf. Melecent d. March 22, 1808, in her 49th yr., leaving several chn. For 2d wf. he m. wid. *Lydia Wheelock* of Mil., Feb. 26, 1809; cer. by Rev. David Long. He res. some yrs. in Mil., but finally d. in W. Med., June 3, 1823. For chn. by his 1st wf., see "Pond Gen.," p. 59. Issue by 2d wf.: *Lydia Thurber*, b. Mil., Oct. 30, 1809; m., April 5, 1832, Francis Drake Nelson; cer. by the writer. Mr. Pond's 2d mge. proved uncongenial; there was a virtual separation, and he spent his last days with his chn. in W. Med. Mrs. P. survived him some years, and d. in June, 1858.

POND, PARTRIDGE[6] (Ichabod,[5] Benjamin,[4] Ichabod,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]). Icha-

bod[5] was b. in Wrentham, Feb. 22, 1762. He m. at Bellingham, Nov. 30, 1797, *Sarah Partridge*. She d. Aug. 11, 1826; he d. only 9 ds. later. They left but 2 chn., viz., Partridge and Levi. Partridge was b. in Franklin, July 9, 1798. He m. Lucretia, dr. of Calvin and Sabra (Partridge) Holbrook, of Mil., June 25, 1818; cer. by Rev. D. Long. His wf. is said to have been his cousin on the maternal side. They res. in Mil. several yrs., and he d. there April 8, 1832. His wid. m. Ellery Allen of Frank., June 5, 1842, whom she also survived. The chn. of Partridge and Lucretia Pond were, —

ASA, b. in Petersham, July 7, 1822; bootmaker; res. in Mil.

AMY A., b. Mil., Jan. 10, 1825; m. James G. Hill, Jan. 1, 1844.

DIANA, b. Mil., Nov. 6, 1829; m. Simeon Daniels, Med., April 8, 1845.

POND, CHARLES[6] (Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), machinist; res. some yrs. in Ct., but later in Mil. He m., Dec. 6, 1822, *Mary A. Bruce*, dr. of John and Abby (Chaffin) Bruce. She was b. June 29, 1816. He d. in Mil., June 27, 1866. Their chn. were, —

GEORGE GILBERT, b. Windham, Ct., Nov. 29, 1834; our excellent post-master at Mil. Centre.

CHARLES BRUCE, b. Norwich, Ct., July 31, 1836; bootmaker; res. Mil.

CHANDLER HURLBURT, b. Windham, Ct., Jan. 4, 1838; bootmaker; res. Mil.

MARY HELEN, b. Norwich, Ct., March 14, 1839; m. June 30, 1859, E. L. Wires; d. June 3, 1868.

GERALDINE DEALBANA, b. Norwich, Ct., April 11, 1841; m. Benjamin Bradford; res. Wallingford, Vt.

JOHN GILBERT, b. Norwich, Ct., April 11, 1843; d. Mil., June 30, 1858.

HARRIET ALONY, b. Hartford, Ct., Nov. 3, 1845; m. William M. Wires; res. Lynn, Mass.

HENRY AARON, b. Norwich, Ct., Dec. 19, 1847; bootsider; res. Mil.

SARAH HUNT, b. Norwich, Ct., Jan. 27, 1849; m. Edwin F. Mower; res. So. Braintree.

ELLEN ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1851; m. William P. Adams.

FREDERICK A., b. Mil., Feb. 4, 1858; d. Dec. 4, 1862.

Mrs. Pond still survives in Mil.

POND, AARON WHITAKER[6] (Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), bootmaker, Mil. He m., 1st, Oct. 18, 1835, *Emily C.*, dr. of Amos Chace, Winchester, N.H., who d. June 19, 1845; 2d, *Sally E.*, dr. of Capt. Timothy Perry, Hop. Their chn. were, —

EDWIN FREEMAN, b. March 24, 1836; mem. Co. B, 25 Mass. Regt. Vols.; d. April 29, 1864.

LOUISA MARIA, b. May 23, 1838; d. Sept. 25, 1838.

WILLIAM AARON, b. Sept. 25, 1839; billiard-saloon keeper, Mil.

RUFUS, b. Aug. 6, 1842; d. 31st of same month.

OPHELIA, b. March 1, 1844; d. Aug. 16, same yr.

ELBRIDGE, b. June 1, 1849; d. Aug. 17, same yr.

HORACE PERRY, b. May 7, 1860.

POND, GILBERT[6] (Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), musician and bootmaker, Mil. He m., Feb. 26, 1846, *Julia C. Duncan*, pedigree, etc., not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

FRANCIS GILBERT, b. Feb. 25, 1847; m. March 16, 1870, Abby A. Hart.

BERTHA CLARA, b. Aug. 10, 1853; m. Nov. 24, 1870, George W. Jacobs, New York.

LESLIE D., b. June 6, 1857; d. Aug. 13, 1858.

ARTHUR K., b. Dec. 19, 1859; d. Sept. 3, 1860.

POND, RUFUS[6] (youngest son Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), res. Mil. till 1865; since in Chicago, Ill. He m., 1st, Nov. 22, 1842, *Clarissa P.*, dr. of Silas and Lydia Parkhurst, Mil. She d. Feb. 12, 1862, by suicide, while he was serving in the Army of the Potomac. He m., for 2d wf., March, 1864, *Caroline Ruggles;* further particulars not given. The chn. by 1st wf. were, —

MARIA ISABEL, b. Mil., Jan. 21, 1844; untraced.

HENRY RUFUS, b. Mil., Dec. 24, 1844; d. Oct. 19, 1861.

No further information obtained concerning this family.

POND, JONES[6] (eldest son of Abner,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]); carpenter; res. long in Mil., but in the latter part of life in Hop. He m., 1st, March 31, 1816, *Hopestill*, dr. of John and Lydia (Cheney) Corbett, Mil.; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She bore him 2 drs., and d. Mil., Jan. 8, 1821. He m., 2d, May 18, 1822, *Lydia*, dr. of Caleb and Mercy (Twitchell) Albee, Mil., cer. by John Claflin, Esq., who bore him 7 chn., and d. in Hop., April 10, 1866, aged 70 yrs. He d. in Hop. a few yrs. later. Their chn. were, —

ANN MARIA, b. July 27, 1817; m. Lyman Cook, Mendon, Nov. 26, 1837.

ALMIRA, b. March 27, 1819; untraced.

HOPESTILL CORBETT, b. Sept. 3, 1823; m. Edmund W. Phelps, Hop., Sept. 17, 1843.

ABNER JONES, b. May 7, 1825; d. May 24, 1835.

LYDIA ALBEE, b. Sept. 16, 1826; m. Ephraim H. Sawyer, Hop., Nov. 15, 1844.

SATIRA, b. Sept. 17, 1829; m. William A. Hale, Jan. 16, 1850.

CALEB ALBEE, b. June 16, 1832; untraced.

ELIZABETH, b. May 11, 1834; d. Aug. 12, 1836.

MARY E., b. 1839; m. James H. Adlington, May 15, 1858.

POND, ABNER FRENCH[6] (son of Abner,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]); of various occupations; res. chiefly in Mil. He m., 1st, April 5, 1832, *Mary L. Sumner*, dr. of Maj. Clark and Sally Sumner, Mil.; cer. by Pearley Hunt, Esq. She d. March 23, 1851. He m., for 2d wf., Oct. 29, 1864, *Mary Ann Wilson*, Wendell, Mass. No other particulars ascertained.

The chn. of A. F. and Mary L. (Sumner) Pond were, —

SARAH SUMNER, b. Mil., Oct. 22, 1833; m., Nov. 9, 1852, Asaph Withington, Mil.

SAMUEL OLIVER, b. Holl., May 12, 1836; assumed name Samuel Pond Oliver; res. Mil.

WILSON, b. Mil., Oct. 3, 1839; d. Sept. 3, 1841.

MARY JANE, b. Mil., April 4, 1842; m., Jan. 20, 1869, Charles E. Belcher.

ELIZA SMITH, b. Mil., Oct. 3, 1844; m., March 11, 1865, William C. Batchelder, W. Upton.

The fr. d. in our Asylum 1881.

POND, SAMUEL DEXTER[6] (youngest son of Abner,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]); farmer and carpenter; has res. chiefly in Mil., on the paternal place, and elsewhere, — recently in Marlboro', and last in Spencer. He m. *Lydia Leland* of Holl., Dec. 15, 1842; cer. in the "Old House," Hopedale, by the writer. She was dr. of Nathan and Polly (Pratt) Leland, b. 1816. Their chn. were, —

MARIAN AUGUSTA, b. Sept. 21, 1843; d. Aug. 28, 1844.

Abner, b. Dec. 4, 1848; no further informed.

Daughter, b. Dec. 4, 1850; no further informed.

Walter D., b. Sept. 23, 1858; no further informed.

Harrison B., b. May 4, 1863; no further informed.

This family record is imperfect. I could not readily render it otherwise.

POND, Moses[6] (Moses,[5] W. Med. Moses,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]); farmer; res. Braggville, within or near our border; m. *Zilpha T. Clark*, Nov. 21, 1838. She was a dr. of Nahum Clark. They were m. in Mendon, by the writer. He d. Braggville, July 7, 1861. She still survives. They had an only child, a dr., —

Frances Clark, b. Oct. 30, 1839; m. Willard E. Farrington, son of Dexter and Hepsibah (Claflin) Farrington, Holl., Nov. 19, 1863; cer. at Hopedale, by the writer.

Mr. Farrington d. at Braggville, Feb. 23, 1865, leaving his wid. and an only child; viz., Addie Sophia, b. Jan. 8, 1865, some 6 wks. old.

POND, Sumner[6] (Jemotis, *alias* James Otis,[5] Elisha,[4] Ichabod,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), b. Franklin, Oct. 24, 1800; m. *Mercy Jones Chapin* of Mil., Jan. 27, 1825; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Dea. Nathan and Lucretia (Parkhurst) Chapin. Their family res. has mostly been Mil., and his occupation is put down in our directory "gardener." Their chn. were, —

Edmund, d. young. No date of birth in "Pond Gen."

George, d. young. No date of birth in "Pond Gen."

Helen Lucretia, b. Med., Dec. 11, 1827; d. unm.

Mercy Louisa, b. Med., Dec. 27, 1831; d. March 11, 1837.

George Edmund, b. Mil., Feb. 2, 1834; d. unm.

Helen Maria, b. Mil., April 13, 1836; a popular milliner in town; unm.

Sanford Tyler, b. Mil., Aug. 18, 1838; m. Sarah P. Williams; d. June 6, 1866.

Henry Erasmus, b. Mil., Jan. 3, 1841; res. New York City.

Frederic Allen, b. Mil., Jan. 8, 1844; mercantile clerk in Boston; home Mil.

The mr. d. March 17, 1878, in her 77th yr. The fr. still survives.

POND, Rev. Preston[7] (Preston,[6] Elijah,[5] Jacob,[4] Jacob,[3] Ephraim,[2] Daniel[1]), b. Wrentham, Feb. 14, 1818; grad. Bowdoin Coll., 1840, and at Bangor Theo. Sem., 1843; installed at Eastport, Me., Oct. 8, 1843; and dismissed April, 1845; preached a while at Newmarket, N.H.; was installed as the Cong. pastor (4th in succession) of this town, May 24, 1849; and dismissed Feb. 16, 1852; installed over the Edwards ch., Boston, the same yr.; and d. Aug. 5, 1853. A man of respectable abilities, acquirements, character, and standing in all his relationships. He m. *Elizabeth S. Thompson* of Durham, N.H., May 9, 1843. His death took place at Somerville, and his remains were buried with his ancestors in Wrentham. Their chn. were, —

Charles Preston, b. June 21, 1846.

John Thompson, b. Nov. 8, 1848.

Franklin Leland, b. Feb. 28, 1852.

POND, Hollis[6] (Bernard,[5] Joseph,[4] Jacob,[3] Ephraim,[2] Daniel[1]), b. Wrentham, May 27, 1804; res. some yrs. in this town, and now res. in Mendon. He m , 1st, at Mansfield, May 26, 1827, *Abigail W. Williams*, dr. of Ebenezer and Abigail W. Williams. She was b. Sept. 12, 1799; and d. July 26, 1871. He m., 2d, June 16, 1872, *Julia E. M. (Wilcox) Cook*, wid. of Ira W. Cook, Mendon; cer. by Rev. George F. Clark. The chn. of Hollis and Abigail W. Pond were, —

Bernard Hollis, b. Wrentham, June 1, 1834.

Charles Earl, b. Wrentham, Sept. 15, 1838; d. July 15, 1840.

POND, Bernard Hollis[7] (Hollis,[6] Bernard,[5] Joseph,[4] Jacob,[3] Ephraim,[2] Daniel[1]), m., at Chicago, Ill., June 1, 1864, *Mary Jane H. Greenwood*, dr. of Charles and Susan H. Greenwood. She was b. Kingston, Can., April 11, 1846. They have had at least 2 chn.; viz., —

Abbie Etta, b. March 18, 1865.

Nellie Greenwood, b. June 7, 1867.

POND, Alfred[7] (Lyman Partridge,[6] Timothy,[5] Timothy,[4] Samuel,[3] Ephraim,[2] Daniel[1]), b. June 21, 1833; m. *Clara M. Dane*, Oct. 4, 1852. She was a dr. of Rice O. Dane; no other particulars obtained; res. Mil.; a boot-click. Issue: —

Leander Daniels, b. June 16, 1855; m., in Med., Dec. 16, 1877, Ada M. Cary; cer. by Rev. R. K. Harlow.

POND, Asa[7] (Partridge,[6] Ichabod,[5] Benjamin,[4] Ichabod,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), res. Mil.; bootmaker; b. Petersham, July 7, 1822; m., March 27, 1845, *Nancy W.*, dr. of Levi and Martha (Wilber) Johnson, Mil. She d. June 3, 1848. He m., 2d, Oct. 1, 1851, at Med., *Irene R. Partridge*, dr. of Philip, some time of Rutland. Issue by 2d wf.: —

E. Francis, b. Nov. 20, 1857.

Charles Herbert, b. Jan. 26, 1861.

POND, George Gilbert[7] (Charles,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), post-master, Mil.; clerk under his predecessor, Dea. Adam Hunt, several yrs., and appointed as his successor, April 21, 1869. He gives great official satisfaction, and is highly esteemed. He m., Dec. 25, 1855, *Nellie*, dr. of Henry and Huldah (Fisher) Walker, Mil.; cer. by Rev. James Riley Johnson. Mrs. Pond is a very efficient helpmeet to her hus. in the post-office as well as at home. Their only issue: —

Etta Walker, b. April 2, 1862.

POND, Charles Bruce[7] (Charles,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), bootmaker, Mil.; m. *Lucretia S. Perkins*, dr. of George and Nancy L. Perkins; cer. Oct. 24, 1856. Issue: —

George Bruce, b. Dec. 13, 1865.

POND, Chandler Hurlburt[7] (Charles,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), bootcrimper, Mil. and elsewhere; m., May 5, 1864, *Caroline H. P. Harwood*, b. Boston, April 26, 1845; no other particulars obtained.

POND, Henry Aaron[7] (Charles,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), bootsider, Mil.; m., Nov. 4, 1866, *Hannah L.* ——. She was b. March 20, 1847; and d. June 20, 1867. Issue: —

Henry Nathan, b. June 20, 1867, on his mr.'s deathbed.

POND, William Aaron[7] (Aaron W.,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), billiard-saloon keeper, Mil.; m. *Susan Ann*, dr. of Henry and Margaret Morehouse, Mil.; cer. Aug. 25, 1863. Issue: —

Ernest Leslie, b. Oct. 1, 1865.

POND, Francis Gilbert[7] (Gilbert,[6] Theodore,[5] Aaron,[4] Ezra,[3] Robert,[2] Daniel[1]), b. W. Medway; m., March 16, 1870, *Abby Ann Hart*, dr. of Edward and Julia Ann, Med.; cer. by Rev. G. L. Demarest. Issue: —

Ernest, birth-date not obtained.

POND, Levi[7] (Jotham,[6] Abijah,[5] Daniel,[4] Jacob,[3] Ephraim,[2] Daniel[1]), b. Chester, Vt., March 28, 1812; set. Mil.; m., May 15, 1836, *Mary* (b. July 19, 1811), dr. of Ebenezer and Elizabeth Wood of Upton. He d. Jan. 14, 1868. Issue, all but eldest b. Mil.: —

Elizabeth, b. Westboro', May 5, 1837.
Charles Henry, b. Mil., June 26, 1840; at Manchester, Vt., in 1872.
Mary Relief, b. Mil., March 3, 1843.
Benjamin, b. Mil., April 7, 1847; at Manchester, Vt., in 1872.
Levi Warren, b. Mil., Feb. 18, 1850; at Manchester, Vt., in 1872.
Cora Sophia, b. Mil., Oct. 22, 1853.

Several other more transient dwellers of this name omitted.

POWERS, Stephen, and wf. *Rachel*, pedigrees untraced, became members of Rev. Mr. Frost's ch., March 11, 1764, and had 2 chn. bap.; viz.,—
Urias, bap. March 11, 1764.
Lydia, Aug. 11, 1765.

No more ascertained.

PRATT, Edwin A., clairvoyant physician, son of Cyrus and Eunice (Parker) Pratt, b. Needham, birth-date not given; m. *Caroline P. Williams*, dr. of Nathan A. and Esther B. (Haradon) Williams, b. Medway, 1840; cer. in Med., July 22, 1860, by Rev. David Sanford. Issue:—
Grace L., b. Mil., Sept. 25, 1870.

A reputable family. They spent the first 5 yrs. of their m. life in Med., and have ever since res. in Mil. Centre. Dr. Pratt is an acceptable and successful physician in his line of practice.

PRENTISS. A rare name in Mil. The oldest family of this name was that of George W. and wf. Melita. They came into town from Upton, perhaps in 1833 or 1834. I infer this from their having 2 chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Long in 1834. They removed their relation from the Cong. ch. of Upton to that of Mil. in 1839, and possibly did not become res. here till that yr. The town records show one or two births prior to 1843, and several deaths in the family. As none of the relatives have furnished me any information concerning the mges., births, and deaths in their lineage, in answer to my numerous public calls, I have not gone into special researches in their behalf. I would gladly have had it otherwise. Our directories specify the following named:—

PRENTISS, George W., 1869, farmer, house Asylum St., near Asylum (new); also 1872, '75, '78.
PRENTISS, George T., 1869, bootmaker, house Asylum St., near Asylum (new); also 1872, '80.
PRENTISS, Eldred, 1869, driver, house rear Mansion House.
PRENTISS, Eldred H., 1872, prob. same last mentioned; bootmaker and farmer; bds. Asylum St.

I suspect all these to be of one lineage, i.e., G. W. and Melita's.

PRENTICE, Edward Jackson[8] (Samuel B.,[7] Calvin,[6] James,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Thomas,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Northbridge, June 10, 1828; m. *Almira M. Mowry*, dr. of Israel and Phila (Wood) Mowry, b. Jan. 12, 1829; cer. Nov. 28, 1850, by Rev. Charles W. Ainsworth. Issue:—
Charles O., b. Mil., March 20, 1853; m. Carrie W. Mead, Sept. 25, 1878.
Ella F., b. Mil., Sept. 22, 1854.
Emma A., b. Mil., Jan. 15, 1857; d. Oct. 9, 1858.

Here is a man who gives me something to write. He has studied his pedigree. He says his immigrant ancestor, Thomas Prentice,[1] was b. in Eng., 1632, came to this country with a bro. James; and they set. together in Newton. He m. Rebecca Jackson of Newton, b. in Eng. the same yr. with himself. He has considerable genealogical data all the way down the lineage to himself, most of which I must omit. His gd. fr. Calvin[6] set. in Northbridge. There his fr.,

Samuel Bundy Prentice,[7] was b. Jan. 6, 1799; m. Polly Thayer of Rehoboth, Nov. 19, 1818, had 9 chn., and d. Aug. 22, 1875.

He himself came to res. in Mil. over 24 yrs. ago, and is one of the oldest traders on Main St., — two or three perhaps a little older. He deals chiefly in flour, is in good standing as a business man and citizen, with a worthy and reputable family to cheer him along the path of life.

The directories mention other Prentices: viz., —

PRENTICE, E. J., 1856, res. in Danielville, so called.

PRENTICE, GEORGE D., 1856, bootmaker, res. on Hayden Row road, now Cedar St.

PRENTICE, GEORGE W., 1872 (J. A. Prentice & Co.), boxmaker, Green, near Main St.; also 1875, '78.

PRENTICE, JAMES A., 1872 (J. A. Prentice & Co.), boxmaker, Green, near Main St.; also 1875, '78.

PRENTICE, LUTHER Q., 1872, box-nailer for J. A. Prentice & Co.; also 1875, '78.

I have traced none of these.

PRESTON, ELIJAH, and wf. *Eunice* (*Adams*) *Preston*, had, —

MARY A. P., b. Mil., June 1, 1840; d. Aug. 10, 1843.

HENRY ADAMS, b. Mil., 1846; m. Elmira Greenlaw, Oct. 20, 1868; he d. here Sept. 18, 1870, in his 24th year.

I am no further informed concerning this family.

PRICE, EDMUND, b. Brooklyn, Ct., March 1, 1808; m. *Abby Hills*, b. Franklin, Ct., July 18, 1814; cer. 1837, particulars no further ascertained. Issue: —

ARTHUR W., b. Willimantic, Ct., Jan. 28, 1840; engineer in U. S. Navy.

HELEN C., b. Willimantic, Ct., May 18, 1841; res. prob. in New York City.

EMILY W., b. Hopedale, date not found; m. and set. in New York City.

HENRY EDMUND, b. Hopedale, April 2, 1850; d. May 2, 1852.

Mr. Price was by trade a hatter. He was a very honest, industrious, hard-working man, in whatever business engaged, often consuming 15 to 18 hours of the 24. Had he been as successful in preserving the fruits of his toil as in earning them, he must have become wealthy. But, with no vicious or spend-thrift habits, through misjudgment or ill-luck in the investment of his funds, he frequently lost in large sums what he had acquired by laborious diligence. He and his wf. came to Hopedale in 1842, and were among our early members of the Community. Mrs. P. was an intelligent woman, with a literary and poetic genius. She occupied an influential official position in the Community for several yrs. In 1853 she and hus. removed to Eaglewood, N.J., thence to New York City, and last to near Red Bank, Monmouth Co., N.J. There she d. suddenly of apoplexy, May 4, 1878. An interesting memorial obituary, testifying to her life-work and worth, soon after appeared in "The New York Tribune." At last advices Mr. P. still survived, and the chn. were having fair success in the career of life.

PRICE, CHARLES HENRY, a bro. of Edmund, b. in Brooklyn, Ct., June 15, 1819; became a member of the Community at Hopedale in Aug., 1843, and for some yrs. was a faithful and efficient manager of our Transportation Branch. In 1844 he m. *Betsey Cleveland*, b. in Bozrah, Ct., Aug. 27, 1823, and removed her hither. Issue: —

ALLEN, b. Hopedale, May 16, 1845; sup. dead. See "War-Record."

LUCY M. } (twins), b. Hopedale, July 11, 1849; d. Oct. 19, 1865.
GEORGE } b. Hopedale, July 11, 1849.

ALBERT, b. Hopedale, Feb. 26, 1851.

CHARLES HENRY, Jun., b. Hopedale, Feb. 16, 1858.

They left Hopedale in 1858, and took up their res. in Mil. Centre, where they have ever since remained in useful employment. With less polish and pretension than some others, they have won a deservedly respectable standing in society. Mr. P. has long been employed as a trusted railroad agent in looking after and restoring wandering freight-cars. In all my dealings with Mr. P. I found him a strictly upright man.

PROVAN, THOMAS, son of John and Agnes Provan, b. in Stirling, Scotland, in 1818; with wf., *Jeanet G. (Smith) Provan*, b. in Stirling, Scotland, June 20, 1820, came to Hopedale in May, 1849, bringing with them the following-named chn.:—

JOHN, b. Stirling, Scot.; m. Christina Galbraith; res. Worcester.

CATHERINE M., b. Stirling, Scot.; d. May 19, 1861, a. 18 yrs. 7 mos.

AGNES, b. Stirling, Scot.; m. John Dobbie; res. Webster.

THOMAS SMITH, b. Stirling, Scot.; d. Worcester, Nov. 8, 1871, a. 22 yrs. 6 mos. 23 ds.

Mrs. Jeanet came across the Atlantic already in consumption, and d. here Dec. 8, 1849. The hus. m., 2d, *Rebecca Davis*, dr. of Andrew and Ann (Crawford) Davis, b. in the British Province of New Brunswick; cer. in Oct., 1850. Issue:—

AUGUSTUS SYME, b. Hopedale, Feb. 28, 1852; d. Boston, Dec. 11, 1880.

WILLIAM GARRISON, b. Worcester, perhaps 1855; res. with his fr. in Worcester.

Mrs. Rebecca d. in Worcester, date not at command. The hus. m., 3d, *Jane (Davis Stimpson) Johnson*, a sr. of Mrs. Rebecca, dr. of Andrew and Ann (Crawford) Davis, b. in the British province of New Brunswick, 1825; cer. at Hopedale, April 29, 1870, by the writer.

The remains of all Mr. P.'s deceased family repose in our Hopedale Cemetery. He left Hopedale, with his then family, in 1852, and set. in Worcester, where he has ever since remained, a stalwart and executive blacksmith, continuously employed in the same establishment. He is an independent, vigorous, progressive thinker, and a man of upright character. And he has had three good wives.

PUTNAM, AUSTIN FISHER, son of Ebenezer and Harriet (Perry) Putnam, b. Up., May 20, 1838; m. *Eliza Ann Rawson*, dr. of Jared and Mary T. (Waldron) Rawson, b. Mil., Dec. 28, 1838; cer. Mil., April 20, 1864, by Rev. A. A. Ellsworth. Issue:—

WILLIS RAWSON, b. July 20, 1865; d. Oct. 17, 1866.

IDA ELIZA, b. Nov. 10, 1867; d. Jan. 8, 1879, deeply lamented.

Worthy family sadly desolated by bereavement. Mr. P. is a diligent, honest farmer. Res. Purchase, near Fountain, St.

PUTNAM, JAMES HENRY[4] (Dennis,[3] Asa,[2] John,[1] descendants of John Putnam, the ancestral immigrant from Buckinghamshire, Eng., who set. in Salem, 1634), b. Acton, May 9, 1833; mr.'s maiden name Dorothy Jones; m., 1st, *Harriet Augusta Butler*, dr. of Samuel and Nancy Butler, b. Shirley, 1839; cer. Framingham, Oct. 28, 1856, by Rev. J. C. Bodwell. Issue:—

LOUIS BUTLER, b. Mil., Sept. 4, 1859; baggage-master, etc., Nantasket Beach R. Rd.

CARRIE VIOLA, b. Mil., Feb. 18, 1863; d. April 9 same year.

Mrs. Harriet d. 1871, a. 42 yrs. 5 mos. and 9 ds. The hus. m., 2d, *Jane*

Augusta Colburn, dr. of Dwight and Aurilla (Underwood) Colburn, b. Holl., Dec. 10, 1832; cer. Newton, April 12, 1876, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. No issue.

Mr. Putnam is an intelligent, enterprising, upright man. The family standing in society is eminently good. He received a creditable common-school and academic education, qualifying him for successful business in life. On attaining his majority, he spent a yr. in California, came to Mil., April 1, 1856, and served as grocer's clerk 1 yr. under Thomas B. Thayer, next as clerk in the coal business under Maj. Clark Sumner from 1857 to 1866, then became partner in the same business with Isaac N. Crosby, 4 yrs., then partner with George P. Woodbury in the same business 4 yrs., then partner with Louis T. Tougas in the manufacture of dies 1 yr., and then kept a grocery-store as sole proprietor 2 yrs. He has since employed himself variously as insurance agent, canvasser for the sale of books, patented articles, etc. He is now the authorized general canvasser of the Publishing Committee for subscriptions to the History of Milford. The town has appreciatively honored him with the following offices: school committeeman, 4 yrs., from 1864 to 1868; representative to the Legislature for 1867; and assessor 2 yrs., 1868 to 1870. He furnished me with his father's brief family record as follows: —

PUTNAM, DENNIS[3] (Asa,[2] John[1]), b. Stow, June 4, 1795; innkeeper, etc.; m. *Dorothy Jones*, dr. of Aaron and Abigail Jones, b. Acton, 1791; cer. Acton, 1824. Issue: —

HARRIET, b. Acton, Oct. 8, 1825; m. A. C. Handley.

SUSAN, b. Acton, June 24, 1828; m., 1st, William R. Lothrop; 2d, Henry O. Lothrop.

JAMES HENRY, b. Acton, May 9, 1833; m., etc., as above.

Mrs. Dorothy d. in Acton, Aug. 25, 1833. The hus. and fr. d. there Nov. 12, 1877.

PUTNAM, HENRY S., hóuse North Bow St. No report.

Sundry others of the name, at various times transient residents in town, omitted.

PYNE, WILLIAM JOHN, son of William and Margaret (Neagle) Pyne (gd. son of John and Nancy (Roach) Pyne, natives of Castletown-Roche, Cork Co., Ireland), b. in Fishkill, Dutchess Co., N.Y., Oct. 31, 1852; m. *Mary A. Pierce*, dr. of John Alonzo and Mary (Owens) Pierce, birth-place and date not given; cer. in Mil., Dec. 25, 1874, by Rev. James T. Canavan. Issue: —

WILLIAM AMASA, b. Mil., April 24, 1876.

MARY ELLEN, b. Mil., March 4, 1878.

Mr. Pyne is a bootmaker, and has res. in town 18 yrs. Judging from the interest manifested in sending in this family record, and its correctness, I infer that Mr. P. and wife are intelligent and enterprising people. Mr. P. adds to the above as follows: "My fr. d. Aug. 16, 1866. My wf.'s mr. d. Jan. 22, 1872."

QUIGGLE, CHARLES FRIEND, son of —— Friend and Catherine Reed (Lawton) Friend, b. in Mansfield, Oct. 20, 1832; boot and shoe manufacturer; m. *Angie Richardson Noyes*, dr. of Enoch and Mehetabel (Eldridge) Noyes, b. in Joy, Me., Aug. 9, 1839; cer. in North Easton, Oct. 22, 1860, by Rev. L. B. Bates. Their chn.: —

ADDIE E., b. Stoughton, March 24, 1862.

CHARLES L., b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1863; d. Dec. 17, 1864.

WALTER N., b. Mil., May 1, 1866; d. Jan. 15, 1869.

Fred L., b. Mil., Nov. 20, 1868.

Edith Maud, b. Mil., March 12, 1871.

This family res. first in Brockton, then Stoughton, and, since 1863, in Mil. Business and social standing eminently good. Manufactory 81 Central St.; res. 54 Purchase St.

In Directory of 1880: Quigley, Friend, engineer, 81 Central St.; house 25 Pearl. Perhaps fr. of Charles F. If so, he was b. in Norton, Oct. 12, 1804, and m. as indicated above. No full record sent me.

RAMSDELL, Moses, ancestry not traced; m. *Mary Wares*, Oct. 1, 1743, and set. on the Eight-Rod Road, just within what became the western frontier line of Mil. Their abandoned home-site is on John Mann's farm, where one or two solitary poplars rear their spiry tops. The old domicile has been demolished since 1836; for I then attended the funeral of Saul Ramsdell in it. The chn. of Moses and Mary (Wares) Ramsdell were, —

Moses, b. Jan. 10, 1744; untraced.

Caroline, b. May 3, 1745; m. Elijah Bolcom, Uxbridge, 1777.

Mary, b. Jan. 28, 1747; untraced.

Jehu, b. March 25, 1749; untraced.

Saul, b. Dec. 18, 1750; m. Mary Bolcom, Jan. 8, 1773.

Vashti, b. March 8, 1753; untraced.

Cleopatra, b. Dec. 3, 1754; untraced.

Aquilla, b. Feb. 28, 1756; m. Esther Brown, Cumberland, R.I., 1781; set. in N. H.

Jemima, b. March 26, 1761; untraced.

This family all disappeared from our records before 1790, except Saul, who lived and d. on the old homestead. It is thought that Moses, the oldest son, built a rude home, and dwelt for a short time at the abandoned site on the Eight-Rod Road, situated about half-way between John Mann's and the new road to No. Mendon; but I should like to be surer of it. I have not yet found the death-dates of Moses, sen., and his wife. From some indications on the records, I suspect they d. about 1787 or 1788. Aquilla Ramsdell, and perhaps others of the family, emigrated to Swanzey, N.H., or that general region. But I can further trace none but Saul.

RAMSDELL, Saul, son of Moses and Mary (Wares) Ramsdell, was b. Dec. 18 1750, and m. *Mary Bolcom* of Mendon, Jan. 8, 1773. Issue: —

Jonathan, b. date not found; drowned 1799.

Barbara, b. Aug. 7, 1776; untraced.

William, b. Sept. 8, 1780; untraced.

Phinehas, b. Dec. 9, 1787; untraced.

D. Marquis, b. Feb. 3, 1788; untraced.

Samuel Bolcom, b. July 4, 1791; untraced.

Sylvia A. Russell, b. April 6, 1794; untraced.

Saul Ramsdell was on the quota of Mendon during the Revolutionary war, serving nearly or quite through its seven yrs'. continuance, and drawing a full pension in his old age. Like too many other Revolutionary soldiers, he contracted intemperate habits, and at length required town aid for himself and family. He seems to have moved from Mendon into the old paternal home soon after the death of his father, in 1789 or thereabouts. A controversy arose between Mil. and Mendon as to which town was liable for the support of Saul Ramsdell and family. Mendon pleaded that the Ramsdell house was in the edge of Mil., and therefore this town must meet the liability. But there was a small

legal kink in the case, which finally threw the liability back on Mendon. It was this: Saul had gained a res. in Mendon some time before his father's death, and had been legally warned out of Mil.; and the *agreement* between the two towns, at the time of separation, bound each to maintain all the poor legally belonging within their respective limits when Mil. was set off. This threw Saul on Mendon. He d. Feb. 17, 1836, a. 85 yrs. Death-date of his wf. not found. The family no further traced.

RAND, WILLIAM T., and wf. *Catherine* (*Allen*), m. in Wendell; pedigree, date of mge., etc., not ascertained. They came to Mil. some time not far from 1836. They had, I am told, a small homestead on Dilla St. They brought 2 chn. with them, and had several while here. What became of them I am not informed. Their chn.: —

EMELINE AMELIA, b. in Wendell, May 15, 1833; m. Everett Cheney, 1849.

GEORGE FREEMAN, b. in Wendell, June 13, 1835; untraced.

LEANDER DRAYTON, b. in Mil., Sept. 8, 1837; untraced.

MARY ANN, b. in Mil., Sept. 9, 1840; untraced.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. in Mil., July 28, 1841; untraced.

Besides the above, 4 other chn. have been named to me by Mr. Everett Cheney, but without birth-dates given; viz., — ISABEL, WILLIS, KATY, and MARION. No further informed.

RAND, Rev. L. P., of Orono, Me., m. *Charlotte Helen Nelson*, dr. of Capt. Henry and Catherine (Parkhurst) Nelson, b. in Mil., Aug. 15, 1827; cer. Jan., 1847. Whether they had any chn. I am not informed; but, if they had, I have the impression that neither they nor their father long survived.

I know of no Rands at present in town, nor have I ever heard of any others than the above named.

RAWSON. Among the descendants of Hon. Edward Rawson, celebrated in the provincial annals of Massachusetts as long secretary of the colony, a considerable number have dwelt on our territory.

RAWSON, SAMUEL[4] (Nathaniel,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. June, 1714; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Thompson; m., 1st, *Sarah Chapin*, dr. of Seth, jun., and Abigail (Adams) Chapin, b. 1715; date of cer. not found. They were recognized by our Cong. ch., and began to have chn. bap. here June 28, 1741. They are said to have res. somewhere in the southerly section of our then Precinct, but I have not ascertained the precise locality. Their chn.: —

PAUL, b. Feb. 13, 1737; m. Sarah Johnson, March 6, 1760.

HANNAH, b. April 2, 1741; m. Eleazer Bullard, April 3, 1759.

ABIGAIL, b. March 6, 1743; untraced.

THOMPSON SAMUEL, b. Dec. 31, 1744; m. Mary Jones, June 19, 1772; set. New Marlboro'.

Mrs. Sarah d. 1745 or 1746; and the hus. m., 2d, the *wid. Lydia Chadwick*, previously wid. of Joshua Green; particulars of cer. not found. Issue: —

SARAH, bap. May 17, 1747.

PHEBE, bap. Feb. 4, 1749-50; m. Ezra Knapp, and had 10 chn.

The family subsequently moved to New Marlboro', and are no further traced.

RAWSON, NATHANIEL[4] (Nathaniel,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. May 27, 1716; m., 1st., *Mary Thwing*, dr. of Benjamin and Hannah (Buckman) Thwing, Uxbridge; cer. March 21, 1738; 1 child: —

SILAS, b. Nov. 17, 1839; m. Abigail Chapin, Jan. 5, 1762, etc.

Mrs. Mary d. of her confinement, Nov., 1739. The hus. m., 2d, *Rachel Daniels* of Mendon, dr. prob. of Joseph and Mary Daniels, b. March 23, 1720; cer. May 20, 1740. Their chn.: —

RACHEL, b. in Conway, May 20, 1741; m. —— Whitney; set. in Conway.
ELIAS, b. March 1, 1743; d. young.
NATHANIEL, Jun., b. Feb. 19, 1745; m. wid. Huldah Woodruff, March 24, 1776; set. N. Y.
SIMEON, b. Feb. 25, 1747; m. —— Nelson; emigrated to Vt.
MARY, b. Jan. 18, 1749; m. Timothy Thwing, Conway.
JONATHAN, b. March 17, 1751; m. Esther Baldwin; emigrated to N. Y.
MOSES, b. April 26, 1753; m. Sarah Bussey; set. Windsor, Vt.
ANNA, b. Aug. 21, 1755; m. Moses Parmely; set. West Stockbridge.
MERCY, b. Aug. 3, 1757; m. Jonathan Wheeler, Feb. 12, 1778; set. Grafton.
ELIAS, b. Sept. 4, 1760; d. young.
GRINDAL, b. Jan. 22, 1762; m. Martha Grover; set. Windsor, Vt.
ABNER, b. Nov. 11, 1764; m. Lucretia Jeffords; emigrated to N.Y., and to Mich.

The parents were recd. into the ch. here, April 1, 1753; and they had 7 chn. bap. here, beginning with Mary, 1748–49. But where they dwelt, or what avocation the fr. followed, I have not learned. They disappear from our records soon after 1764.

RAWSON, BARNABAS[4] (Nathaniel,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. Aug. 11, 1721; m. ——'s maiden name Hannah Thompson; m. *Mary* ———. He bought of Nehemiah Nelson, Jan. 14, 1742–43, the farm, in later times known as the Zuriel Howard place, or more recently as the Sylvanus Adams place. He was recd. into our Cong. ch., April 14, 1745; and his wf. Mary, May 20, 1753. They had 4 chn. bap. here. They then sold out their place to Joseph Penniman of Woodstock, Ct.; or perhaps made an exchange of farms with him, not far from 1760, and removed to Woodstock. Their chn. were, —

LOIS, b. here, Aug. 24, 1744; d. Jan. 22, 1745.
DAVID, b. here, Dec. 18, 1745; m. Sybil Beals; set. Woodstock, Ct.
ASA, b. here, Nov. 10, 1748; d. April 10, 1767.
JOSIAH, b. here, Dec. 18, 1753; d. Jan. 12, 1773.
RUTH, b. Woodstock, Ct., Aug. 2, 1760; m. Andrew Brown, Oct. 3, 1775.
ELIZABETH, b. Woodstock, Ct., June 23, 1762; d. Oct. 22, 1766.
LOIS, b. Woodstock, Oct. 8, 1765; d. Oct. 15, 1766.
ELIZABETH, b. Woodstock, Ct., Nov. 27, 1767; d. Sept. 7, 1775.

RAWSON, EDWARD, Esq.[4] (Wilson,[3] Grindal,[2] Edward[1]), b. April 2, 1721; m. *Mary Morse*, April 7, 1748. Their chn.: —

HOOKER, b. April 21, 1749; untraced.
ELIZABETH, b. April 4, 1750; m. Dea. Seth Chapin, Mendon, Oct. 27, 1767.
MARY, b. May 4, 1751; m. Dr. Levi Willard, Mendon, April 28, 1774.
EDWARD, b. June 19, 1754; m. Margaret Steele; set. Leicester; physician.
ANNA, b. Sept. 22, 1756; untraced.
NANCY, b. 1757; d. Jan. 1, 1848.
ARTHUR, b. Nov. 17, 1758; physician; set. Hardwick.
MEPHIBOSHETH, b. Aug. 7, 1763; d. Aug. 9, 1763.

Edward, Esq., dwelt long in Mendon, and was an influential Revolutionary patriot. He came into Mil., with his wf. and dr. Anna, as also a servant-boy named John Waters, May 10, 1780. Whether he ever owned any homestead here, I am unable to say. He was, at his first coming from Mendon, a tenant

of Josiah Wheelock. He was our first justice of the peace, commissioned by Gov. John Hancock, March 1, 1781. He had been a member of the convention that formed our first State Constitution. I think he could not have res. in town more than 3 or 4 yrs. He was already an elderly man, and is said to have lost his eyesight, at perhaps fourscore. He d. in Leicester, Feb. 11, 1807. Death-date of his wf. not found.

RAWSON, THOMAS[4] (William,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. May 2, 1733; m., 1st, *Anna Walden*, about 1737; set. in Mendon. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM, b. Nov. 11, 1738; m. Mary Aldrich, and had 4 chn.
PRISCILLA, b. May 22, 1740; m. Ephraim Walker, Providence, R.I.
STEPHEN, b. March 2, 1743; m. Silence Ward, and set. Townshend, Vt.
NATHANIEL, b. July 9, 1745; m. Elizabeth Nelson, March 24, 1768.
RACHEL, b. March 6, 1747; m. Stephen Chapin, Jan. 22, 1768; res. Mil.
ANNA, b. May 8, 1749; m. Col. Benjamin Hoppin, Providence, R.I.
PERSIS, b. May 6, 1751; m. Joseph Carpenter.
MARGARET, b. April 7, 1753; m. Benjamin Walker.
THOMAS J., b. May, 1755; d. young.
CATHERINE, b. May 20, 1757; d. Oct., 1761.
PERNEL, b. July 12, 1760; d. Oct., 1761.
FRANCIS, b. Jan. 8, 1763; d. April 3, 1811.

Mrs. Anna d. 1783. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah (Sheffield) Nelson*, wid. of Nehemiah Nelson, and dr. of William and Mary Sheffield; cer. March 29, 1785. No chn.

Whereabouts in Mendon Thomas Rawson first dwelt, I have not learned. But, after his 2d mge., he became seized of the Nehemiah Nelson place, where David and Newell N. Nelson now dwell. He lived there with his wf. Hannah till 1794, when they sold out to Col. Samuel Nelson, fr. of the late Newell Nelson, Esq., to whom his fr. deeded it in 1814. Thomas and Hannah were both members of the Cong. ch. here. He d. July 10, 1802; she in 1803.

RAWSON, Dea. NATHANIEL[5] (Thomas,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. in Mendon, July 9, 1745; m. *Elizabeth Nelson*, dr. of Nehemiah and Hannah (Sheffield) Nelson, b. March 30, 1746; cer. March 24, 1768. Issue:—

SOPHRONISBA, b. Dec. 14, 1768; m. Elijah Stone, Dec. 5, 1794.
RUTH, b. Oct. 25, 1770; m. Nathan Parkhurst, June, 1797.
CATHERINE, b. Jan. 7, 1773; m. Ithiel Parkhurst, March 6, 1794.
ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 9, 1775; m. Rev. Gordon Johnson, Killingly, Ct., Dec. 31, 1803.
HANNAH, b. April 22, 1777; d. July 7, 1846.
SILENCE, b. March 16, 1779; d. March 7, 1797.
NATHANIEL, Rev., b. Feb. 26, 1780; Cong. clergyman; twice m. See below.
JARED, b. Jan. 2, 1782; m. Nancy T. Waldron, Nov. 5, 1820; set. Mil.
ANNA, b. March 21, 1785; m. Luther Claflin, June 8, 1809; set. Mil.
ROXA, b. June 30, 1788; m. Dea. Peter Rockwood, Nov. 6, 1845.

Nathaniel Rawson was deacon of the ancient ch. in Mendon while res. there. I have not ascertained just where he lived in old Mendon, but have been told that it was on the northerly slope of Misco Hill. From all I can learn, he prob. took possession of his farm here about the yr. 1790. Some fix the date 2 or 3 yrs. later, but I think 1790 the true one. I have not carefully examined the registry of deeds to learn of whom he purchased his Mil. homestead. It is situated in our "City" district, so called, on the old road to Upton, being the same on which his son Jared lived and d. In former times it was the estate of Eld.

Abraham Jones, partly or wholly given to him by his fr., Elder John, who prob. took it up out of common lands. Dea. Nathaniel and all his family were devoted Orthodox Congregationalists. He d. Aug. 11, 1825, a. 80 yrs. Mrs. Elizabeth, his wid., d. Aug. 24, 1826, a. 80 yrs.

RAWSON, Rev. NATHANIEL[6] (Dea. Nathaniel,[5] Thomas,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. Feb. 26, 1780; m., 1st, *Betsey Fitch*, dr. of Rev. Elijah Fitch of Hop.; cer. July 15, 1811, in Hop., by bride's fr. Their chn.:—

ELIJAH, b. Jan. 22, 1813; printer; m. Jane Hart, Salem, N.Y., 1836.

OBED, b. March 31, 1815; killed in Canton, Ct., by explosion of powder-mill, 1835.

CYRUS, b. Feb. 5, 1818; drowned Sacramento River, Cal., 1850.

DENNIS COOK, b. Jan. 23, 1821; untraced.

Mrs. Betsey d. 1825; and the hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Piper* of Peru, March 26, 1827. Issue:—

ELIZABETH FITCH, b. May 7, 1828; m. Henry E. Rice of Barre, March 28, 1848.

MARY JANE, b. April 26, 1830; m. Ephraim A. Moore of Weston, Vt., 1854.

Rev. Nathaniel had a fair academic education; stud. theology with Rev. Dr. Crane of Northbridge; was set. as pastor of 1st Cong. ch., Hardwick, Vt., 1811, where he remained 6 yrs.; preached afterwards at Waterbury, Bristol, and Starksboro', in the same State; on account of ill-health resorted a while to farming near New Haven, Ct.; resumed preaching in 1824 at Middlebury; was bereaved of his 1st wf. there in 1825; afterwards preached at Peru and Winhall, half the time at each place; m. his 2d wf. at Peru in 1827; and finally set. down on a farm in Hampton, Ct., preaching only occasionally as opportunity offered. He did considerable missionary work, first and last, in various parts of the country. I once heard him preach in Killingly, Ct. He was not brilliant, but a sound, old-fashioned Hopkinsian preacher. He was a large, stout, farmer-looking man, and said to have been a quiet, kind, accommodating neighbor. He was an early temperance man, and, while in Peru, at a barn-raising, in 1827, gave an impromptu lecture against the use of intoxicating beverages, with so much effect, that a majority of the gathering went home declining to taste of the drinks generously provided for the occasion. He had his innocent singularities. Among these was the often-expressed wish that he might die suddenly without warning. His prayer seemed to be answered. He went out, in kindness, to help one of his Hampton neighbors get his hay together, and, while raking, was instantly killed by a thunderbolt, July 14, 1845. His wf. and 5 chn. survived him.

RAWSON, JARED[6] (Dea. Nathaniel,[5] Thomas,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Edward[1]), b. Jan. 2, 1782; farmer; m. *Nancy T. Waldron*, at Woodstock, Vt.; cer. Nov. 5, 1820, by Rev. Jasper Hazen. Their chn.:—

SAMUEL STILLMAN, b. Oct. 30, 1821; d. April 4, 1854.

EMMONS, b. May 2, 1828; d. March 2, 1833.

MALCOM, b. April 15, 1830; d. July 9, 1834.

WILLIS CLAFLIN, b. Dec. 2, 1832; d. May 6, 1856.

RANSOM, b. March 17, 1835; d. March 26, 1861.

ALBERT, b. June 29, 1837; d. Feb. 26, 1840.

ELIZA ANNA, b. Dec. 28, 1838; m. Austin Fisher Putnam, April 20, 1864.

Jared inherited his fr.'s homestead. He was an industrious, frugal, orderly citizen, a lover of fruit and shade trees, in which he dealt somewhat extensively. Those who travel to and fro on West St., the Upton road, ought to bless

his memory for the goodly shade-trees which line his side of the way a full hundred rods or more. In consideration of these public-spirited works, the town, on motion of Ethan C. Claflin, in 1869, voted him fifty dollars. He and his wf. were members of our Cong. ch., steadfastly adhering to the faith and order of their ancestors. He d. Feb. 1, 1875, a. 92 yrs. and 8 mos. His wf. had preceded him. She d. Feb. 15, 1861. It is a remarkable case. He outlived all his family but Mrs. Putnam. She had 2 chn.; and they, too, have passed away.

RAWSON, ROXA, youngest dr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Nelson) Rawson, b. June 30, 1788; m., in her elderly maidenhood, Dea. Peter Rockwood. See Rockwood. In the admirable "Rawson Family Genealogy," by E. B. Crane, by which I have been much assisted in this section of my present work, I find a testimony to the worth of Roxa Rawson Rockwood which I take the liberty to copy nearly entire.

"Her life, though quiet and unobtrusive, was controlled by one motive, — that of doing good to all around her. In early life she was a teacher; and very many of the generation who called her such have held responsible stations in society, and still testify that their youth owed much to her moulding hand. It was at this period that the idea of forming sabbath schools was being tried in this country. She determined to make a beginning among the scholars of her school. So she invited them to come to her fr.'s house every Sunday evening to receive instruction from the Bible. And they gathered around her, such a loving company of children, until general interest was attracted, and the increasing throng made it necessary to remove the sabbath school to the church. Her interest in its welfare continued unabated. To her dying day the sabbath school was her foster-child. After caring for her invalid mother and sister until those duties were ended, she took up the occupation of a nurse, and by the sick and dying bed her presence was ever welcome. Near the close of 1866 she ended her honored and useful life. A stone to commemorate her life was erected by the sabbath school she loved so well, inscribed 'Founder of the Sabbath School at Milford.'"

RAWSON, MAYNARD, son of Lovina Wedge, single woman; ancestry and relationship no further traced; b. Mil., May 28, 1801; m. *Sarah Albee*, dr. of Seth and Betsey (Lambert) Albee, b. Mil., Nov. 30, 1801; cer. Dec. 28, 1828, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

WARREN, b. April 6, 1830; m. Rhoda Howard; 2 chn. He d. Feb. 3, 1857.

SARAH ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 4, 1838; m. John A. Phillips, July 6, 1857. See Phillips.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Feb. 10, 1847; m. Alice C. Clark, 1869; 2 chn.; res. W. Medway.

The names of Warren's chn. not taken. William Henry m. Alice, as above, dr. of John C. and Betsey (Daniels) Clark, Medway; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., 1869, by Rev. Mr. Hatfield. Issue: —

EMMA E., b. Feb. 10, 1871; and WILLIE C., b. Oct. 13, 1872.

Mr. Rawson dwelt on a small homestead on So. Main St., a section of the ancient Wedge estate, which, being a descendant of the Wedges on his mr.'s side, I think he inherited from them. He was a member of our Cong. ch., but not his wf. Mrs. Sarah d. Sept. 18, 1863. Mr. R. afterwards became partially demented, and spent several of his last yrs. in the insane asylum at Worcester. He was found dead in his bed there on the morning of Aug. 31, 1880; and his remains rest in the So. Mil. Cemetery.

READ. John Read, an immigrant from Eng., set. first in Dorchester,

whence he removed to Weymouth or Braintree, where he was made freeman in 1640. Thence his son Samuel joined the colonists that set. Mendon. He m. *Hopestill Holbrook* in 1668, and among their chn. were Samuel, jun., Ebenezer, etc. Most of the Reads, at one time numerous in Mendon, Uxbridge, and Mil., were of this lineage.

READ, Dea. EBENEZER, of Mil., who for many yrs. dwelt on what we now know as the Ira Cleveland place, was of this lineage. But in spite of anxious efforts to ascertain the links of generation between him and his immigrant ancestor, John of Dorchester, I have failed. I procured all the Mendon records relating to the descendants of Samuel, but they do not tell me who was the fr., or who the gd. fr. of our Dea. Ebenezer. I suspect he must have been a gt. gd. son of Samuel, but I will not build on guesswork. He m. *Mary Chapin*, prob. a dr. of Ebenezer; cer. Feb. 23, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. Just when he came into our territory, or how he acquired possession of his fine homestead on the apex of old Magomiscock Hill, I am not certain, though I rather think by purchase. I find that he was chosen dea. of Mil. Cong. ch. in 1786; but that he became a member in 1767, as also his wf. I presume, therefore, that they took up their abode in the Easterly Precinct perhaps in 1766. They were dismissed to the ch. in Worcester, Feb., 1796. Meantime they raised up a large family, whose names stand on our records thus:—

HANNAH, b. May 1, 1764; m. Nathaniel Cheney of Orange, 1791.
ICHABOD, b. Jan. 27, 1766; d. Feb. 22 same yr.
ABIGAIL, b. June 1, 1767; untraced.
MARY, b. July 30, 1769; d. May 20, 1770.
SYLVIA, b. July 18, 1771; untraced.
MARTHA } (twins), b. March 4, 1773; untraced.
SARAH } (twins), b. March 4, 1773; untraced.
SAMUEL TORREY, b. Oct. 17, 1774; untraced.
MARY, again, b. Dec. 16, 1776; untraced.
EBENEZER, b. May 1, 1779; untraced.
BENJAMIN, b. May 1, 1781; untraced.
RUTH, b. Feb. 14, 1784; untraced.
ALEXANDER, b. July 10, 1786; untraced.

I have at my command no means for tracing the subsequent history of this family. Dea. Read sold his farm to Dea. Enoch Adams about the yr. 1796, and, as above told, removed to Worcester. Whoever will trace the family further must take up the thread of record in that city.

READ, JOSEPH, ancestry not traced; manufacturer of thread and cotton yarn in Medway; moved into this town in 1837, and res. mostly in the Bear-hill district. He was b. in Whitehall, N.Y., Sept. 9, 1799, and m. *Susannah Stanton*, b. in Douglas, Aug. 19, 1801; cer. May 16, 1821; other particulars not given. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM FRANCIS, b. Franklin, Oct. 24, 1821; untraced.
JASON NEWELL, b. Medway, June 19, 1823; m. Catherine Childs, April 29, 1846.
JOSEPH, Jun., b. Medway, April 6, 1827; untraced.
ERASTUS M., b. Poughkeepsie, N.Y., March 12, 1832; untraced.
JAMES, b. Medway, Aug. 8, 1833; untraced.
SILAS O., b. Medway, July 6, 1836; untraced.
SARAH ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Oct. 12, 1840; untraced.

Emma Jane, b. Mil., Dec. 11, 1846; untraced.

The hus. and fr. d. in Mil., Oct. 30, 1875. Mrs. Susannah, his wid., d. March 10, 1877.

READ, George Lafayette [3] (Jason Newell,[2] Joseph [1]), b. in Medway, Sept. 13, 1847; mr.'s maiden name Catherine Childs; hat-blocker; m. *Mary Ann Watkins*, dr. of Moses and Mary Ann (Smith) Watkins, b. in Mil., March 6, 1848; cer. in (Waterford) Blackstone, Oct. 31, 1864, by Rev. E. W. Porter. Issue: —

Maud Estelle, b. Mil., July 28, 1874.

Mr. Read is an industrious mechanic, and well-disposed citizen. He res. in So. Mil., in what was formerly the schoolhouse, near Plain St.

READ, Clement Orville, and wf., *Lydia (Buffum) Read*, from Attleboro', became dwellers with the Community at Hopedale in 1844, and res. there several yrs. They were intelligent and worthy members. Mr. R. had chn. by a former mge., several of whom res. more or less at Hopedale. He had also chn. by Lydia (Buffum). Of the chn. that res., older and younger, at Hopedale, were, —

Herbert Goddard, b. March 5, 1836; his grave is in our cemetery.

Miranda A., b. not given; m. and res. in the Western country.

Lucy, b. not given; d. in infancy here.

The parents removed to Eaglewood, N.J., and had 1 or more chn. b. afterwards. The fr. d. at Eaglewood, 1879. Mrs. Lydia, with the remnant of a death-thinned family, still survives.

READ, Esther, maiden sister of Clement O., b. in Attleboro', Sept. 4, 1804, was for some time matron of the Hopedale Home School, then bought her bro. Clement's place, and dwelt there till she d., Nov. 11, 1878, a. 74 yrs. Her mr., Mrs. Nancy Read, wid. of Dea. Levi of Attleboro', who received the filial care of Esther for some yrs., d. in her house, Jan. 16, 1864, in her 87th yr. All these Reads were justly respected for their moral worth.

READING, Schuyler, pedigree, place of nativity, etc., untraced; m. *Betsey Thayer*, dr. of Seth and Sarah (Holbrook) Thayer, b. Mil., Jan. 8, 1799; cer. March 31, 1822, by Rev. D. Long. I have not found on the town records any chn. credited to them. Their connubial life was brief. Mrs. Betsey d. Jan. 21, 1823. Her hus. followed her Aug. 22, 1825.

REYNOLDS, Samuel Edwin [3] (Arnold,[2] Henry [1]), b. in Wickford, R.I., June 27, 1814; mr.'s maiden name Mary Whitford; m. *Lydia Ann Sholes*, dr of George and Ruby (Knight) Sholes, b. E. Haddam, Ct., Nov. 14, 1816; cer. in Warwick, R.I., Oct. 4, 1835, by Rev. Moses Fifield. Their chn.: —

William Francis, b. Smithfield, R.I., May 31, 1837; m. Mary E. (Gardner) Billings, Oct. 21, 1864.

Henry Arnold, b. Cumberland, R.I., Oct. 4, 1839; twice m.; to whom not given. Res. Concord, N.H.

Lydia Ann, b. Cumberland, R.I., July 16, 1841; d. April 23, 1848.

Samuel Edwin, Jun., b. Smithfield, R.I., Feb. 27, 1843; m. Addie Tinkham, N. Scituate, R.I., 1863.

Orville Mann, b. Smithfield, R.I., Dec. 12, 1845; m. Bethiah Poulson, Burrillville, R.I.

Adelaide, b. Smithfield, R.I., Jan 16, 1846; d. Nov. 10, 1846.

John Quincy, b. Smithfield, R.I., Aug. 23, 1849; m. Laura Ann Leland, June 30, 1870.

Walter Lindsey, b. Smithfield, R.I., Sept. 14, 1850; m. Ella F. Wallace, Oct. 4, 1871.

Charles Augustus, b. Smithfield, R.I., June 20, 1851; d. Mil., May 15, 1856.

Isabella, b. Mil., Aug. 22, 1853; d. Oct. 16, 1854.

Susan, b. Mil., Sept. 13, 1855; d. a. 4 days.

Jennie, b. Mil., March 7, 1858; d. a. 2 days.

Five of the above-named sons served their country, for longer or shorter terms, in the war of the Rebellion; to wit, William F., 19 mos. in the 3d Rhode Island Battery; Henry A., during the war in the 3d New Hampshire Regt.; Samuel E., jun., during the war in the 2d New Hampshire Regt.; Orville M., during the war, 1st in the Reg. Army, 2d in the 2d Mass. Heavy Artillery; and John Q., 8 mos. in an unattached co. at Fort Warren. Henry A. is a railroad engineer; res. Concord, N.H., and, though twice m., has no living chn. Samuel E., jun., is a jeweller; res. Pawtucket, R.I., and has 5 living chn. Orville M. is a woollen-factory operative; res. in Pascoag, R.I., and has 6 living chn. John Q. is a machinist; res. in Whitinsville, and has 1 child. Walter L. is a boot-finisher; res. in Mil., and is yet without chn. See William F. below.

Mr. Reynolds, the hus. and fr., d. in Mil., May 15, 1872; Mrs. Lydia Ann, the wid., has survived her many afflictions, is a very energetic, useful, and worthy woman as a nurse and straw-worker, and has earned herself a little home on Walnut St., where she is making the best of her declining life.

REYNOLDS, William Francis[4] (Samuel Edwin,[3] Arnold,[2] Henry[1]), b. in Smithfield, R.I., near the adjacent village of Mannville, on Blackstone River, May 31, 1837; carpenter, picture-frame maker, and ornamental joinery worker; m. *Mary E. (Gardner) Billings*, wid. of George Billings, and dr. of Joshua and Dr. Susan (Boynton) Gardner, b. in Newton Upper Falls, June 10, 1832; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 21, 1864, by the writer. Issue:—

Ida, b. Mil., Aug. 6, 1870.

By her 1st hus., Mrs. Mary E. (Gardner) Billings, now Mrs. Reynolds, had 2 chn.: viz., *Susie M. Billings*, b. West Newton, Sept. 29, 1852; and *Lottie M.*, b. Newton Upper Falls, Feb. 26, 1858. These survive. Their fr. d. at St. Catharine, Mo., June 26, 1861.

The enterprise, ingenuity, and social standing of Mr. Reynolds and wf. are too well understood in town to require special characterization.

RICE. We have had few of this name within our municipal limits.

RICE, Parley, from Brookfield, m. *Lydia Parkhurst*, dr. of Ebenezer and Mercy (Hill) Parkhurst, b. Mil., April 6, 1787; cer. Aug. 9, 1812, by Rev. D. Long. Issue recorded here:—

Alonzo P. Varnum, b. Aug. 19, 1813; m. Mary Ann Bates at Boston, Jan. 25, 1843. No further traced.

RICE, Dexter B., pedigree untraced, whose wf. was a Curtis, came into town from Mendon, many years ago, and res. in what, for a time, was called Danielsville, on the plain. He was a stone workman and a hard toiler. He d., by his own hands, Jan. 6, 1862, a. 60 years. His only son, *Byron Rice*, d. in Mil., suddenly, Nov. 22, 1878, a. 42 yrs. The widowed mr. had, I think, preceded him, but not long.

RICE, J. Allen, apothecary, 116 Main St., appeared first in our Directory for 1872, and has remained here continuously ever since. He ought to have furnished me his family record.

RICE, Melvin Eugene[7] (Alphonzo,[6] Stephen,[5] Zebulon,[4] Elisha,[3] Thomas,[2] Edmond[1]), b. Brookfield, Vt., May 22, 1847; merchant; mr.'s maiden name Mary Cardell; m. *Adell M. Jackson*, dr. of Isaac S. and Caroline E. (Neff)

Jackson, b. in Scott, Cortland Co., N.Y., Dec. 8, 1849; cer. Skaneateles, N.Y., Sept. 3, 1872, by Rev. William C. Bowen. Reports no issue. He is one of the gentlemanly proprietors of the dry-goods firm M. E. Rice & Co., 154 Main Street., which was established 6 or 8 yrs. ago. Business and social standing eminently good. He has recently removed his family res. from town to the vicinity of Boston. His immigrant ancestor, Edmond Rice, came from Buckhamstead, Eng., where he was b. 1594. He set. in Sudbury, Mass., about 1638.

RICH, SAMUEL, ancestry, birth-date, and place of nativity untraced; one of our oldest settlers, though continuing such not more than about 12 yrs. I am unable to locate his home-site, but have an impression that it was somewhere in the No. Purchase. His wf's. name was *Hannah*, and the following named chn. are credited to them on Mendon records:—

HANNAH, b. July 17, 1708.
SARAH, b. April 3, 1710.
SAMUEL, b. July 10, 1712.
EUNICE, b. March 22, 1716.
ELISHA, b. Feb. 23, 1718.

Whence Samuel Rich came or went I find no intimation. Mrs. Hannah d., according to record, March 30, 1716. This must be an error, or the date of Elisha's birth is; or else, possibly, the hus. m. a 2d wife, who was the mother of Elisha. I cannot stop to ascertain.

RICH, WILLIAM, ancestry, etc., unknown, came from Lynn to Hopedale in 1844, under peculiar circumstances; m. a worthy member of the Community, of whom he was unworthy, and who had, at length, to be released from him by divorce; went finally to California, and there died. He had with him here, for a time, two sons, Richard and James. Richard m. a dr. of Nathan Harris, left town for the seaboard, soon lost his wife by death, and is no further traced. Nor is his bro. James.

RICH, THOMAS G., THOMAS W., and REUBEN B., the former two bootmakers, and the latter an engineer, ought to have been asked for their family records, but have been passed over, along with many others whom I have been obliged to leave unconsulted. Their names appeared in our directories from 1869 downward; though perhaps Thomas G's. only in that of 1869. Their pedigree is, of course, unknown to me.

RICHARDS. An uncommon name among us. One family only on our records.

RICHARDS, JOSEPH[8] (Joseph,[7] William,[6] Joseph,[5] Crispus,[4] John,[3] Edward,[2] Richard[1] of Lynn, the ancestral immigrant, 1633), b. Sept. 29, 1782; mr.'s maiden name Rhoda Howe of Hop.; m. *Nancy Cody* of Dudley; cer. Nov. 27, 1806. Issue:—

ISAAC, b. Dec. 2, 1807; d. in infancy, Jan. 20, 1808.
LEANDER, b. July 23, 1809; m. Elizabeth Newton, May 5, 1830.
ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 23, 1812; m. Samuel Kinsman, March 28, 1837.
EBENEZER D., b. Nov. 9, 1814; m. Laura A. Wright.
NANCY C., b. Nov. 29, 1817; m. William C. Daniels, Nov., 1839.
MARY, b. July 22, 1820; m. Watson L. Wood, Dec. 9, 1839.
RHODA H., b. Nov. 3, 1821; m. Samuel G. Howe, July 4, 1847.
MIRIAM D., b. Feb. 26, 1823; d. Sept. 19, 1825.
WILLARD E., b. Sept. 10, 1824; m. Catherine Laforrest.
JOSEPH L., b. June 20, 1829; m. Ann Jane Nye, Dec. 31, 1851.

After transcribing all these names, I find, by Rev. Abner Morse's genealogy of the Richards families, that none of them were b. here. He does not say where the eldest was b. The 2d is credited to Holl., and all the rest to Hop. Yet all but the youngest stand on our records as if b. here. He does not appear on our tax-lists till 1842, and before 1856 had removed to Westboro', where I understand he d. I have not ascertained just how long he res. here, nor in what part of the town. He is said to have been a farmer; but whether this was his vocation here, I am not informed. In 1860 his wid. res. in Dublin, N.H. I confess myself much mystified concerning this family.

RICHARDS, Miss E. A., is named in our Directory for 1880 as engaged in millinery at Blunt's Block; untraced.

RICHARDSON, Rev. MERRILL, D.D., ninth pastor of Mil. Congregational Church; b. Holden, Oct. 4, 1811; grad. Middlebury Col., 1835; stud. theology at Yale; m., 1st, *Emily Allen*, Middlebury, Vt., Aug. 21, 1838; cer. by Rev. Dr. Merrill. She d. June 12, 1844. He m., 2d, *Eunice Terry* of Terryville, Ct., Jan. 1, 1845; cer. by Rev. Dr. Ketchell. He was installed at Mil., June 12, 1872, and d. here Dec. 12, 1876. One dr. by his 1st wf., and three sons by the 2d, with their mother, survive him. His respected widow has furnished me the following biographical memorial, from the pen of Rev. A. P. Marvin, an intimate and appreciative friend of the deceased, which I have concluded to insert verbatim, without abridgment:—

REV. MERRILL RICHARDSON, D.D.

"Though the residence of Mr. Richardson in Milford was confined to the few closing years of his life, yet his eminence as a clergyman, and his devotion to his work while here, demand that a succinct outline of his labors and character should find a place in these pages. He was born in Holden, Oct. 4, 1811, and was the son of Heman and Mary (Parker) Richardson. His father was of the ancient stock of Richardsons who settled in Woburn in the early days of the colony. As a farmer and tanner he occupied a respectable position in his adopted town, where he took up his abode about the close of the Revolution. Young Merrill was brought up on his father's farm, and enjoyed the usual privileges afforded by the schools of that time. He felt the influence of a faithful pastor in his childhood, in the life and preaching of Rev. Dr. Bardwell, and was inspired by him to study for the ministry. His preparation for college was made at Leicester Academy and at Addison Co. [Vt.] Grammar School. He entered Middlebury College in 1831, and graduated in due course in 1835. When in the maturity of his powers he worthily received the degree of D.D. from his Alma Mater.

"After graduating, he was principal of the Addison-County Grammar School two years, boarding with Rev. Dr. Merrill, a strong, clear-minded theologian, from whom he received valuable instruction. He then spent two years in Yale Theological Seminary in the class of 1839, and was a receptive pupil of that profound dialectician and Christian philosopher, Dr. Nathaniel W. Taylor. His first settlement was at Terryville, Conn., where he was ordained, and installed as pastor of the Congregational Church, Oct. 27, 1841. After five years of successful service he resigned, to become the agent of the Connecticut Board of Education, editing the paper published by the Board, and doing an immense amount of work, beside supplying the First Congregational Church in Durham. After two years he received an urgent and unanimous call to return to his former charge in Terryville, which he accepted, remaining until Jan.,

1858, when he was settled as the pastor of the Salem St. Church, Worcester. His labors here were abundant and fruitful, but exhaustive; and the state of his health, in the summer of 1870, required rest. In Sept. he was dismissed at his own request. Later in the season he entered on the forlorn hope of establishing the New England Church in New York on a permanent basis. In this enterprise he labored with zeal and energy. Large audiences listened to his ministrations; but the church was without a house of worship, and the obstacles in the way of obtaining one were such that he retired from the field in the spring of 1872. Soon after he was called to the church in Milford, over which he was installed June 12. As when he was settled in Worcester, so now, it was thought that he was eminently fitted for the place. By his temperament, his sound common sense, his lucid method of preaching the doctrines of the gospel, and his devotion to his work as a minister, he exerted a great influence for good in his large parish and throughout the town.

"Four busy, useful, happy years soon passed away, when his friends, who looked for another decade of active labor, were surprised, in the summer of 1876, by hearing that his stalwart frame was yielding to the attacks of an incurable malady. The advances were slow but sure, and his departure came on the twelfth December. The funeral services were held in his home and in the sanctuary on the fifteenth, when a large assembly met in sorrowing sympathy with the immediate relatives, to whom he was much endeared, and with whom his memory is very precious. These facts show when and where he was born, and in what fields he sowed and reaped, as ever in 'his great Taskmaster's eye.'

"A few lines must be allowed to set forth the striking traits of his character. Mr. Richardson was a strong man. He was athletic in body, vigorous in mind, and firm of purpose. He was always doing, and what he did was done with all his might. Raised on a farm, he was familiar with manual labor; but, after entering the ministry, his labor of this kind was mainly for recreation. His work was in his study, his parish, and his pulpit. To the former he gave his mornings and evenings. As a student he was diligent, receptive, and self-reliant. Though he had not time for high attainment in general scholarship, yet he kept informed of all results in science and art. The Bible was studied in the original tongues. In mental philosophy and systematic divinity he sought stimulus and guidance from master minds, but he accepted nothing which had not been the subject of his own deep and continuous thought. On one occasion he was subjected to a prolonged, critical, and perhaps suspicious examination by an ecclesiastical council; but he bore himself with such modesty, readiness, and entire mastery of the subject presented, as to command respect and confidence. His afternoons were given up to parochial work to a great extent, and few pastors have been so active and impartial in this line of labor. His sympathies with the young, the struggling, and the sorrowing were lively and heartfelt. Vacations, though accorded by his people, were rarely taken. During several years there were weeks when he was the only orthodox minister in the city to attend funerals; and he freely answered all calls of this kind, not as a form, but with Christian kindness. Once he took a journey for his health. He went to Saratoga, drank a glass of water, and left by the first train, saying he was well. On the sabbath, during all his ministry, with perhaps brief intervals, he preached twice, and attended a third meeting. Preaching with him was no elegant or pious pastime. It was a service he delighted in, to be sure, but one which enlisted his whole energy of body, mind, and heart. What he had prepared with care was delivered with force and fervor. Good attention cheered him, and good results were his reward.

"Besides his labors in the closet, in the parish, and the pulpit, Mr. Richardson accomplished much in other directions. Several years were given mainly to the cause of education, though he supplied a parish in the mean time. As a friend of temperance he was always ready to speak, and his voice was often heard in lectures and addresses. He was one of the early friends of the slave, and encountered much obloquy in those years when to be an abolitionist entailed enmity and contempt. But this only stimulated him to speak oftener for the enslaved. In addition, he was in the 'lecture-field' every season, and in that way did as much as many professional lecturers who had no other occupation. In all these labors, he did not neglect his friends, to whom his house was always open and his attentions always ready. Nor did he neglect his family, like some busy men, but gave them his joyous and instructive companionship.

"As a preacher he was bold, earnest, and suggestive. He preached on a wide variety of topics, but always in a way to make known the gospel of Christ, or vindicate the ways of God to man. In every thing he was manly, straightforward, honorable. Shams, deceits, disguises, were his abhorrence. He aimed to carry every point by conviction. Above all, he was a minister of the gospel. Strangers, hearing of his multifarious labors, or conversing with him on all the exciting topics of the day, might receive a false impression in this regard; but in fact, he was, 'in his heart of hearts,' a minister. All other work was 'by the by,' while this work filled the full measure of his days: and his love for the work of a minister seemed to grow upon him to the last. No years of his public life were happier, busier, or more fruitful than those of his last pastorate. He loved his work and calling with an increasing love to the last, and desired to continue in it. But when the will of the Master was clearly evident that he must lay down the work, he yielded cheerfully, as became a faithful servant."

ROBBINS, ALVAN, pedigree untraced, m., 1st, *Mary Sumner Ball*, dr. of Zenas and Betsey (Tilton) Ball, b. Nov. 4, 1813; cer. March 22, 1835, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

GEORGE W., b. Aug. 28, 1836.

CAROLINE M., b. July 16, 1839; d. Dec. 10, 1840.

MARY JANE, b. July 25, 1841.

Mrs. Mary d., date not at command; and the hus. m. *Harriet Beal*, dr. of David and Sarah (McArthur) Beal, b. Birmingham, Pa., March 2, 1817; cer. April 16, 1848, where and by whom not given. As to issue, I am not informed. They res. in Holl. I see that Mr. R.'s name is not given uniformly. It is Alvan in one place, Alvin in another, and Alvin C. in another. The reader will understand accordingly.

ROBBINS, CHANDLER, and wf. Frances M., pedigrees, etc., untraced, are credited on our records with 1 birth:—

CHANDLER, Jun., b. Aug. 6, 1843. They are mentioned no more.

ROBINSON, ICHABOD[3] (William,[2] William[1]), ancestry no further traced. William[1] was first of Concord, where his eldest child was b. in 1671. He was prob. b. as early as 1650, but where is not told. Very likely his father was the ancestral immigrant from Eng., or possibly his gd. fr. He rmvd. to that part of Cambridge afterwards Newton, before 1673; and there William[2] was b This William[2] was wealthy, and bought considerable tracts of land in different parts of Mendon, — several within our territory. Among his sons was our Ichabod,[3] b. in Newton, Sept. 2, 1713. In early manhood, between 1734 and 1739, he came into these parts, and soon located himself in our Centre, prob. on land sold, given, or rented to him by his

father. He m., 1st, *Ruth Merriam*, dr., I presume, of Ebenezer Merriam, then an innholder in Mendon town-seat; cer. June 20, 1739. When the Easterly Precinct wanted the site for their first meeting-house, William Robinson seems to have owned the land. But it presently passed into the possession of his son Ichabod, who finally donated the desired site of half an acre to the Precinct, as I have elsewhere told. I infer that he then owned a considerable estate, partly west of now Main St., but mostly east, covering, not only the Parish Common, but much that was afterwards known as the Godfrey place. It must have extended on the street from near where the steam fire-engine house stands as far northward, perhaps, as Central St., then eastward well nigh to the river. I do not pretend to be accurate, as this would require a careful examination of several old deeds in Worcester Registry. Just where his habitation stood, I am not certain, but somewhere along the line from the engine-house to opposite the Mansion House. Whether he kept a sort of unlicensed inn before 1746, I am in doubt; but he was licensed that year as a regular innholder, and continued in that capacity till his death in 1756. His chn. by his 1st wife, Ruth (Merriam), were, —

EBENEZER, bap. Dec. 26, 1742; the parents being that day recd. to ch.

ICHABOD, bap. Dec. 26, 1742; b. Oct. 20, preceding.

RUTH, bap. Sept. 30, 1744.

ELIZABETH, bap. June 8, 1746; b. June 1, 8 ds. preceding.

What became of Ebenezer and Ruth, I get no trace. Ichabod m. Abigail Smith of Weston, Oct. 6, 1768; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. No more ascertained of him. Elizabeth m. Aaron Merrifield. See their family record in its place.

Mrs. Ruth d., date not ascertained. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Mirick*, dr. of Samuel and Mary (Stratton) Mirick, b. in Newton, Dec. 19, 1722; cer. Newton, Feb., 1747. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL, b. June 26, 1748; supposed to have set., lived, and d. Watertown.

JOHN, b. April 12, 1750; m. Mary Jones, March 11, 1773.

SARAH, b. May 1, 1752; m. Elijah Thayer, Oct. 6, 1768.

JONATHAN, b. July 12, 1754; no further traced; but prob. set. Newfane, Vt.

Lieut. Ichabod Robinson d. May 29, 1756. His wid., Mrs. Sarah, continued to keep the licensed inn some little time, and was m. to Ensign Samuel Thayer, Aug. 30, 1759; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. See the Thayer families.

ROBINSON, JOHN[4] (Ichabod,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. April 12, 1750; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Mirick; m. *Mary Jones*, supposed by me to be a dr. of John Jones, jun., by his 3d wife, bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, May 6, 1753; cer. March 11, 1773, by Rev. A. Frost. 1 child only on record, Mendon and Mil.: —

LYDIA, b. Dec. 30, 1773; m. Rev. Elisha Fisk, Wrentham, Aug. 19, 1800.

There seems to be some confusion respecting the birth of this dr. Lydia. Mendon records make her the dr. of John and Mary; Mil. records make her the dr. of John and Susanna. From other testimony it would seem that the name of the wife who survived him was Susanna. Did his 1st wf. d.? and did he m. a 2d? Probably. Yet I found no record of Mary's death, nor of his marriage to this Susanna. But, after much research, a pair of olden gravestones were discovered, from whose inscriptions I ascertained that John Robinson d. Nov. 19, 1792, a. about 43 yrs.; and that Susanna, his wf., d. April 29, 1795, in her 53d yr. Probably they d. in another locality, and their remains were brought here for burial. So it is certain that he had a wf. Susanna. Had they any

more chn.? Our records are silent, and I will not look farther. In 1783 or 4, John Robinson bought of Jonathan Jones the old tavern-stand, first established by Ichabod, his father, in 1746, obtained license as innholder, and made his mark in that calling. At the same time he was a considerable land-owner outside of the Centre. As one of these estates, I may mention the Eli Chapin (now Inman) place, which he sold to Benjamin Godfrey in 1785. Whether Robinson continued his inn till he d. in 1792, I have no certain information, but deem it highly improbable. The innholding premises soon passed into the hands of Col. Benjamin Godfrey, and he became conspicuous as "Landlord." Thenceforth the Robinsons disappear from among our population. Jonathan, the youngest son, is no otherwise traceable than by a deed of his rights in a meeting-house pew to his bro.-in-law, Elijah Thayer. That deed bears date 1792, and makes him to have been a res. of Newfane, Vt. So I conclude that he must have set. there.

ROCKWOOD. The Rockwoods were among the earliest settlers on our territory. The name was often written and pronounced Rocket. It is still so pronounced in some localities. But Rocket is only a gross corruption of the true name, which always was Rockwood. The immigrant ancestor of our Mil. Rockwoods was Richard of Dorchester. He was from Eng., and set. in Dorchester as early as 1636. His son John was one of the earliest proprietors of Quinshipaug Plantation (Mendon), but had ill-fortune there, and was driven off, under great losses, by King Philip's devastating warriors, in 1675–76. He returned in 1678–79, purchased land of James Albee, and set. a little south-east of Mendon town-seat, on Muddy Brook. He seems thenceforth to have prospered, and became an extensive landholder. He had much common land laid out to him on both sides of Charles River below and above Medfield road, including the Dr. Corbett place in Bell., and the south-easterly section of now Mil. One of his drs. m. the first Robert Corbett; and he brought up the elder John Corbett, his grandson, giving him a liberal education, and endowing him with the real estate long known as the Dr. Corbett place, and afterwards as the Scammell place. He had a son, Joseph Rockwood, who inherited considerable land from his father on our territory, and added largely to it by acquiring many parcels successively up and down the river, and north-easterly of Bear Hill. He is understood to have set. in the south-easterly quarter of our territory, on what is now called Howard St., at or near the widow Pond place. He dwelt there in 1718, and prob. several years earlier; for he began to have pieces of common land laid out to him in 1707. I will therefore commence my Rockwood family tables with him.

ROCKWOOD, JOSEPH[3] (John,[2] Richard[1]), birth and marriage dates not found. He and wife, Mary (Hayward), had, —

MARY, b. July 31, 1690; untraced.
JOHANNA, b. Aug. 15, 1692; m. Eliphalet Holbrook, Nov. 7, 1716.
JOSEPH, b. Aug. 4, 1694; m. Elizabeth Turner, March 28, 1717; he d. 1722.
JOHN, b. Aug. 22, 1696; m. Deborah Thayer, Dec. 19, 1716.
MARGARET, b. Feb. 8, 1698–9; untraced.
SAMUEL, b. Dec. 29, 1700; m. Elizabeth Wood, April 9, 1722.
JOSIAH, b. Sept. 10, 1702.
TRIAL, b. July 1, 1704.
RICHARD, b. Dec. 10, 1706; m. Sarah Thayer, Feb. 12, 1729–30.
SUSANNA, b. Oct. 15, 1709.
BENJAMIN, b. May 8, 1711; m., 1st, Margaret ——; 2d, Mehetabel ——.

I have not found the death-rates of Joseph[3] and wife.

ROCKWOOD, JOHN[4] (Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. Aug. 22, 1696; m. *Deborah Thayer*, Dec. 19, 1716; ptge., birth-date, etc., not found. Chn.:-

EBENEZER, b. Sept. 7, 1718; m. Sarah ——; he d. March 22, 1742.

JOHN, b. Aug. 24, 1721; m. Deborah Thayer, March 21, 1750.

SIMEON, b. Aug. 23, ——; m. Damaris Olds of Brookfield.

ABIGAIL, b. March 2, ——.

MARY, b. July 12, 1725.

JOSEPH, b. Feb. 14, 1728; m. Alice ——; set. Bell.

REUBEN, b. Jan. 26, 1729-30; m. Lydia Green, Sept. 11, 1754.

MARGERY, b. April 29, 1732.

DEBORAH, b. May 2, 1734; m. Benjamin French, Sept. 25, 1753.

John, sen., inherited and dwelt on the wid. Pond place, in after time so called. Mrs. Deborah d. July 24, 1750. The hus. m., 2d, *Elizabeth Daniels*, wid. of Ephraim Daniels; cer. March 18, 1751, by Rev. A. Frost. No chn. The hus. and both wives were members of the Easterly Precinct Cong. ch. Death-dates of the hus. and 2d wf. not found.

ROCKWOOD, JOHN, Jun.[5] (John, sen.,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. Aug. 24, 1721; m. *Deborah Thayer*, dr. of Jonathan and Bethiah (Adams) Thayer, b. April 15, 1732; cer. March 21, 1750, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

MOLLY, b. Dec. 22, 1750.

SIMEON, b. Dec. 2, 1752, N. S.

John, jun., d. 1752 or 3; his wid. administered on his est., and subsequently m. Amos Gates of Stow; cer. Dec. 10, 1754, by Rev. A. Frost. Gates became guardian of Molly and Simeon. About this time the old homestead, somewhat cut up and divided among the descendants of Joseph,[3] mostly passed into other hands. I do not attempt to trace them all.

ROCKWOOD, BENJAMIN[4] (Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. May 8, 1711; m., 1st, *Margaret* ——, and had by her,—

JOHANNAH, b. Nov. 30, 1735.

Mrs. Margaret d. Oct. 9, 1739. The hus. m., 2d, *Mehetabel* ——; no particulars found. Issue:—

SILENCE, b. May 17, 1745.

BENJAMIN, b. July 10, 1750.

SETH, b. June 17, 1752.

ELISHA, b. date uncertain; m. Eunice Clark, June 3, 1778.

Benjamin,[4] dwelt in the south-easterly part of now Mil., on lands inherited mainly from his father Joseph. I cannot identify the spot. He was an original member of the new Cong. ch., formed April 15, 1741; his wf. Mehetabel joined in 1744. I think they must have sold out about 1752, and removed to Franklin or Wrentham.

ROCKWOOD, ELISHA[5] (Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. date uncertain; m. *Eunice Clark*, dr. of Elijah Clark of Medway; cer. June 3, 1778. Their chn.:—

ABIGAIL, b. No. Wrentham, Sept. 19, 1779; lived and d. No. Wrentham.

BENJAMIN, b. No. Wrentham, Oct. 18, 1783; m. Lucy Ware.

PETER, Dea., b. No. Wrentham, Sept. 25, 1787; m., 1st, Sabra Parnell; 2d, Roxa Rawson.

EUNICE, b. No. Wrentham, Oct. 30, 1791; d. young.

EUNICE, b. No. Wrentham, June 14, 1793; m. Jotham Clark, Medway.

CHARLOTTE, b. N. Wrentham, Feb. 16, 1795; remained unm., N. Wrentham.

JEFFERSON, b. No. Wrentham, Oct. 11, 1801; m. and set. Nashua, N.H.

Death-date of Elisha[5] not found. Mrs. Eunice d. Sept. 28, 1838. By inserting Elisha's family record, I keep up the lineage unbroken down to our Dea. Peter Rockwood, so long well known among us.

ROCKWOOD, Dea. PETER[6] (Elisha,[5] Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. in No. Wrentham, Sept. 25, 1787; m., 1st., *Sabra Parnell* of Medway, 1809. Their chn.:—

MARTHA, b. March 16, 1810; m., 1st, Nathaniel Parker, 1834; 2d, A. Taylor, 1865.

DAVID BRAINERD, b. July 12, 1812; m. Martha Phillips of Medway, March 9, 1836.

ELIJAH, b. Nov. 15, 1815; m. Jane Dunham, May 2, 1842.

SAMUEL, b. March 28, 1822; m., 1st, Jane G. Bullard, 1844; 2d, Jennie Bassett, 1876.

MARIA, b. Oct. 23, 1824; m., 1st, Elihu Pond, jun., 1845; 2d, Moses Williams, 1865.

DANIEL, b. Jan. 16, 1828; m. Eliza Daniels of Medway.

AARON, b. Feb. 5, 1837; d. Sept. 26, 1840.

Dea. Peter was trained to chaise-building, and the wheelwright craft in its various productions. He came from Medway in 1809 or 10, and set up a wheelwright shop, being the first in that line among us for the finer kind of manufacture. He was recd. by letter into our Cong. ch., in 1811, and also Mrs. Sabra, his wife. In 1831 he was chosen deacon, in which office he served with fidelity until relieved from active duty by reason of age. Mrs. Sabra, his wf., d. Jan. 1, 1845. He m., 2d, *Roxa Rawson*, long a devoted maiden member of the ch., dr. of Dea. Nathaniel Rawson; cer. Nov. 6, 1845, by Rev. S. B. Goodenow. Mrs. Roxa d. Dec. 2, 1866. For some notice of her character and usefulness, see under the name Rawson. Dea. Peter retained his faculties and executive energies down to a ripe old age. He d. May 20, 1878, a. 90 yrs. 7 mos. and 25 ds. His funeral was held in the Cong. ch., and merited eulogies pronounced in presence of a large assembly, composed of his relatives, religious friends, and his fellow-citizens generally.

ROCKWOOD, Dea. DAVID BRAINERD[7] (Dea. Peter,[6] Elisha,[5] Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. July 12, 1812; carriage-builder; m. *Martha Phillips*, dr. of Dea. Josiah Morse and Sally (Morse) Phillips, b. in Medway, Jan. 23, 1818; cer. in Medway, March 9, 1836, by Rev. Mr. Loring. Issue:—

WALDO BRAINERD, b. Jan. 28, 1837; d. Sept. 26, 1840.

WALLACE ALANSON, b. Dec. 6, 1841; m. Hannah A. Kurs, July 2, 1872.

HENRY EVERETT, b. May 3, 1845; m. Emma E. Aldrich, Nov. 4, 1868; 2d, Sarah Ella Birch, Jan. 4, 1872.

JOSIAH EMERSON, b. July 8, 1851; d. Aug. 17, 1853.

DAVID BRAINERD, Jun., b. March 12, 1856; now a student in college.

SABRA PARNELL, b. Oct. 3, 1858; m. Thomas ——.

FRANK JUDSON, b. March 19, 1861; res. with parents.

Wallace A. and wf. had a child b. to them Nov. 16, 1874, named Cora Ellethea, who d. Oct. 11, 1875. Dea. Rockwood not only succeeds his venerable fr. as a successful wheelwright and carriage-manufacturer, but as a ch. officer; having been one of its devoted deacons since Dec. 15, 1859.

ROCKWOOD, ELIJAH[7] (Dea. Peter,[6] Elisha,[5] Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. Nov. 15, 1815; m. *Jane Dunham*, dr. of James and Mary (Clark) Dunham, b. in New Haven, Ct., Jan. 1, 1814; cer. Hartford, Ct., May 2, 1842. Issue:—

Aaron W., b. June 6, 1843; m. Ella A. Dodge of Springfield.

Alice J., b. Feb. 6, 1845; m. William H. Bennett, 1864.

Jotham Clark, b. May 14, 1847; m. Estella Crowell Tripp, May 12, 1872.

Mrs. *Jane* d. Oct. 29, 1872.

There are 6 gd. chn. in this family; 3 of Jotham C.'s and 3 of Alice J.'s.

ROCKWOOD, Samuel[7] (Dea. Peter,[6] Elisha,[5] Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. March 28, 1822; boot-click; m., 1st, *Jane G. Bullard*, dr. of John and Lucy (Justin) Bullard, b. Canterbury, Ct., Aug. 13, 1822; cer. Nov. 25, 1841, by Rev. D. Long. Issue, all born in Mendon: —

Lucy J., b. Nov. 3, 1842; d. July 4, 1859, in Mil.

John B., b. Aug. 25, 1844; m. Harriet A. Sherman, June 7, 1861; he d. at Newbern, N.C., Nov. 24, 1864.

Cora Ella, b. July 15, 1849; d. at Mil., Nov. 3, 1851.

Mrs. Jane, the mr., d. at Mil., June 17, 1875. The hus. m., 2d, *Lelia Frances Bassett*, dr. of Nathaniel Bowman Brown and Caroline (Fisher) Bassett, b. Little Falls, N.J., Nov. 4, 1843; cer. Mil., July 2, 1876, by Rev. J. B. Robinson. No issue reported.

Mr. Rockwood is by occupation a boot-click, industrious, upright, and of good repute, together with his family. It is seen above how he has been desolated by death.

ROCKWOOD, Daniel,[7] bro. of the preceding, b. Jan. 16, 1828; m. *Eliza Daniels*, dr. of Paul Daniels, in Medway, date and particulars of cer. not given. They res. in Medway. No chn.

ROCKWOOD, Henry Everett[8] (Dea. Brainerd,[7] Dea. Peter,[6] Elisha,[5] Benjamin,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard[1]), b. May 3, 1845; m., 1st, *Emma E. Aldrich*, dr. of Anson Aldrich; other immediately connected particulars not given; cer. Nov. 4, 1868, by whom not learned. Mrs. Emma soon lost her health, and d. childless. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Ella Birch*, dr. of William Birch and Mary Lyman, b. March 30, 1850; cer. Jan. 4, 1872, by Rev. Mr. Redding. Issue: —

Mary Evelin, b. March 27, 1878.

Mr. Henry E. is a skilful and executive blacksmith, in connection with his fr.'s wheelwright and carriage-building establishment, has a pleasant family, and evinces a remarkable genius as an antiquarian. His means, opportunities, and accommodations are far below his ambition in that direction, but he has made the most of them. His museum, though humble and unpretentious, presents a valuable and interesting collection of antique curiosities, well worth examining.

Several other Rockwoods have res. in town for comparatively brief periods. Among these, perhaps I ought to mention two families, one of early and one of recent date. They follow: —

ROCKWOOD, Samuel[6] (Asa,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Nicholas,[2] Richard[1]); birth-date not found; mr.'s maiden name Sybil Littlefield; m. *Hannah Pond*, Jan. 7, 1787. Their chn., as recorded here, were, —

Ethan, b. Nov. 10, 1788; untraced.

Electa, b. Dec. 2, 1789; untraced.

Samuel, Jun., b. Dec. 22, 1791; d. June 27, 1798.

Asa, birth-date not found; d. June 21, 1798.

Hannah, b. Jan. 14, 1794; d. March 10, 1796.

If I have not mistaken the man, he once owned the Parson Long place, and sold it to John Claflin, jun., not far from the yr. 1800. He is said to have mvd.

to New Braintree or Oakham. Some yrs. later he set. in Holl., a little north of Braggville. Having a mercurial temperament, his neighbors gave him the soubriquet of "Fire Sam." I think he must have had at least two younger chn. than the above-named, *Charlotte* and *Hannah*, whose birth-dates I cannot give. I officiated at the mge. of Hannah to Walter Bullard, jun., Oct. 3, 1824, and at that of Charlotte to Cheney Bothwell of Oakham, April 20, 1825. Also at the funerals of Hannah and her babe, who d. in Oct., 1825. It was a sad case of child-bed death, at the early age of 17 yrs. I recollect no further events in the family history.

ROCKWOOD, JOHN[8] (Col. Joseph of Bell.,[7] Levi,[6] Joseph,[5] John,[4] Joseph,[3] John,[2] Richard of Dorchester, 1636[1]), b. Bell., Jan. 25, 1821; mr.'s maiden name Ann Chilson; m. *Mary Ray*, dr. of Samuel and Susan (Carroll) Ray, b. Slaterville, R.I., Oct. 12, 1823; cer. May 1, 1848, by Rev. James Davis. No chn. Eminently worthy people. They res. here 15 yrs., but now for some yrs. in Franklin.

ROSE, THOMAS, understood to have been an Englishman, res. for several yrs. on Silver Hill St., and perhaps then mvd. to the western country. He and his wf. *Ann*, pedigrees to me unknown, stand on our records credited with the following specified births; viz., ESTHER LEONARD, b. Nov. 27, 1831; RICHARD, b. Aug. 30, 1833; THOMAS, b. Jan. 19, 1836; MARY ANN, b. March 14, 1838; CHARLES, b. July 17, 1840. No further traced.

ROSE, OLIVER, Jun., son of Oliver and Mary (Dodge) Rose, b. South Kingston, R.I., Oct. 1, 1809; m., 1st, *Sally Cooper*, b. in Northbridge, d. in 1836; 2d, *Fidelia A. Snowling*. Mr. Rose d. at his res. on Dilla St., of apoplexy, July 2, 1881, in his 79th yr. He left his wid., Mrs. Fidelia, and 5 chn. I expected to have had a full family record, giving the births, marriages, etc., of the several chn., who are all, I think, adults, but recd. only the few foregoing particulars. Mr. Rose has been many yrs. an industrious, quiet citizen of the town.

ROSS, ANDREW JACKSON, son of Ziba and Rebecca (Burgess) Ross, b., East Blackstone, Jan. 10, 1839; m. *Helen Maria Seagrave*, dr. of Daniel and Mary (Weld) Seagrave, b. in Uxbridge, Sept. 19, 1842; cer. March 5, 1859, at Woonsocket, R.I., by Rev. John Boyden. Issue: —

EMMA ESTELLA, b. Uxbridge, Dec. 16, 1859.

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Uxbridge, June 17, 1868; d. June 26 ensuing.

NELLIE MARIA, b. Uxbridge, June 33, 1869.

This quiet, orderly, and worthy family have res. in Hopedale since May 21, 1873. Mr. Ross is an expert and trusted inspector of rings.

ROSS, ROBERT, son of Edward and Margaret (Tortington) Ross; b. in Preston, Eng., May 22, 1845; m. *Isabella Hayes*, dr. of Thomas and Mary (Metcalf) Hayes, b. in Carlisle, Eng., Nov. 2, 1844; cer. Preston, Eng., Dec. 25, 1867, by Rev. Owen Parr. Issue: —

ISABELLA HAYES, b. Blackburn, Eng., Feb. 22, 1869.

EDWARD TORTINGTON, b. Worcester, Mass., Dec. 5, 1870.

SARAH ANN, b. Hopedale, June 2, 1872; d. July 29 ensuing.

ROBERT HAYES, b. Hopedale, March 10, 1874; d. April 28 ensuing.

WILLIAM HAYES, b. Hopedale, April 25, 1875.

LILLIAN, b. Hopedale, April 26, 1878.

CHARLES SUMNER, b. Hopedale, July 1, 1880.

Well disposed, industrious, and worthy family; came to Mass. in Sept., 1869; staid a short time in Worcester, and have res. in Hopedale since July 12, 1879. Mr. Ross is a skilful and faithful employé in the Hopedale Foundery.

RUSSELL. Rather an uncommon name in town. Wid. Abigail Russell is the first I find mentioned on our records. She was the mr., I presume, of Col. James Mellen's wf., and res. in his family 1791 and thereabouts. I think she must have been of Holl., and wid. of James. On the maternal side she was gd. mr. to Hon. Jona. Russell of Mendon. Her death-date not found.

RUSSELL, Rev. James W., was the first pastor of our Central Baptist ch. in 1853. Some yrs. later he kept a grocery-store near Charles-river Bridge. I have received no family record, but understand that he d. in town several yrs. ago, and infer from our directories that *Mrs. Rhoda A.*, 9 Main St., is his wid.

RUSSELL, Dwight, M.D., son of Simeon F. and Experience (Colson) Russell, b. Madison, N.Y., April 26, 1819; m., 1st, *Nancy Gardner*, dr. of Joseph and Susan M. (Beatty) Gardner, b. in Columbia, N.Y., 1820; cer. in Hamilton, N.Y., date not given, by Rev. Z. Cook. Issue:—

Edgar, b. Edmeston, N.Y., Dec. 25, 1844.

Jennie M., b. Edmeston, N.Y., April 18, 1847; one of our public grammar-school teachers.

Mrs. Nancy d. in Mil., Oct. 26, 1856, a. 36 yrs. The doctor m., 2d, *Mary Jane (Parkhurst) Carpenter*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, and wid. of Joseph H. Carpenter, Providence, R.I., b. Mil., Dec. 7, 1824; cer. Mil. March 4, 1861, by whom not given. Issue:—

Louise Parkhurst, b. Mil., July 3, 1863; public-school teacher.

Mrs. Mary Jane was m. to her first hus., Joseph H. Carpenter, Nov. 25, 1851, and had by him a son, b. in Providence, R.I., Sept. 20, 1852, who d. Oct. 5, 1862; also Harris I., b. Nov. 6, 1853, who, I presume, yet survives. Mrs. Mary Jane had large experience as an educator in the public schools of Providence, R.I., is deeply interested in the salutary management of our town schools, and has the honor of being the first woman ever elected to serve on our school-board. She held the office two terms, from 1869 to 1875.

Dr. Dwight Russell is a man of strong mental powers, ample scholastic acquirements, much experience, and holds the front rank of his profession in town. He stud. medicine with Dr. Silas Graham in Hamilton, N.Y.; attended lectures and graduated at Central Medical College (Eclectic), Syracuse, N.Y.; was professor in that institution 4 yrs., from 1850 to 1854, lecturing on Materia Medica, Therapeutics, Practice of Medicine, and special Pathology. He came to Mil. in 1855, and has been in extensive practice here from that to the present time.

RUSSELL, Rufus, the fr. of Mrs. Edward Woods, lived in her family several yrs., and d. there Aug. 21, 1866, a. 84 yrs. and 8 mos.

A few others of this name are traceable in our successive directories; but I have no knowledge of their family records, having rec'd. no report from any of them.

SAUNDERS, Robert, ancestry untraced; m., 1st, *Sarah Cheney;* cer. March 27, 1746, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Who this Sarah Cheney was, I am very doubtful. Our first William Cheney had a dr. Sarah, b. in 1699; but I have put her down as m. to John White, April 28, 1720. Possibly this was an error; but, as this Sarah would have been 47 yrs. old at the date of Robert Saunders's mge., she could hardly be bearing twin children in 1760. So Mrs. Saunders must have been some other Sarah Cheney. Robert, and prob. his wf., became recognized members of Rev. Mr. Frost's ch., Feb. 8, 1746-47. Their homestead was in our "City district," so called. Their chn. were, —

ANNA, b. Nov. 6, 1746; m. Levi Beal, July 22, 1776.

DAVID } (twins), b. May 7, 1752; untraced.
SARAH } (twins), b. May 7, 1752; m. Samuel Beal, New Plantation No. 5, March 16, 1775.

NATHANIEL, b. June 26, 1758; m. Lydia Rockwood, Holl., Dec. 9, 1779.

JOHN } (twins), b. Aug. 29, 1760; m. Elizabeth Chapin, Oct. 27, 1785.
MARY } (twins), b. Aug. 29, 1760; m. Smith Phillips, Dec. 28, 1783.

Mrs. Sarah having d., the hus. m., 2d, *wid. Mehetabel Beal;* cer. April 24, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

ROBERT, Jun., bap. June 11, 1769; m. Olive Chapin, Nov. 25, 1792.

Mrs. Mehetabel d. July 9, 1800. The hus. m., 3d, *Sarah Hall*, Sept. 27, 1801; cer. by Rev. D. Long. Mr. S. d. Oct. 9, 1805. Death-date of his last wf. not found.

SAUNDERS, NATHANIEL, son of Robert, sen., and Sarah (Cheney) Saunders; b. June 26, 1758; m., 1st, *Lydia Rockwood* of Holl.; cer. Dec. 9, 1779, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

SAMUEL, b. Aug. 19, 1781; d. Jan. 1, 1782.

ASA, b. Aug. 15, 1784; m. Mary ——.

LEVI, b. Dec. 28, 1786; untraced.

ALEXANDER, b. Aug. 20, 1792; d. Sept. 9, 1798.

NATHANIEL, Jun., b. April 13, 1795; m. Hannah Hawks, Oct. 9, 1817.

Mrs. Lydia d. April 26, 1813. The hus. m., 2d, *Mrs. Anna Chapin*, whom I suppose to have been a wid., but cannot identify; cer. Oct. 13, 1814, by Rev. D. Long. No chn. The death-dates of Nathaniel Saunders and his 2d wf. have not come under my notice. They dwelt in the "City district."

SAUNDERS, JOHN, son of Robert, sen., and Sarah (Cheney) Saunders; b. Aug. 29, 1760; m. *Elizabeth Chapin*, dr. of Moses and Lydia (Atwood) Chapin, b. 1762; cer. Oct. 27, 1785, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue: —

MARY, b. Jan. 6, 1787.

MOSES CHAPIN, b. May 27, 1789.

LEANDER, b. April 23, 1791.

CHLOE, b. July 17, 1793.

ANNA, b. Aug. 22, 1796.

JOHN, Jun., b. April 15, 1799.

For some reason I cannot trace this family on our records further. Possibly they emigrated to another locality. Their homestead was also in the "City district," just over Milford River towards Up.

SAUNDERS, ROBERT, Jun., son of Robert, sen., and Mehetabel (Beal) Saunders, bap. June 11, 1769; m., 1st, *Olive Chapin*, dr. of Moses and Lydia (Atwood) Chapin, b. 1772; cer. Nov. 25, 1792, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Issue: —

LAURA, b. Sept. 15, 1793.

AUSTIN, b. April 16, 1795.

ALEXANDER, b. Sept. 13, 1799.

JOHN MILTON, b. Nov. 10, 1804.

OLIVE, b. Aug. 11, 1806.

ELIZA CHAPIN, b. Aug. 10, 1808.

Robert Saunders owned and dwelt on the homestead now the town asylum. He and his wf. were members of our Cong. ch., whereof he was elected a deacon in 1802. They removed to Wrentham in 1814. No further traced.

SAUNDERS, ASA[3] (Nathaniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Aug. 15, 1784; m. *Mary* ——,

pedigree, birth-date, and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Issue as recorded here: —

ANNA PERRY, b. April 11, 1816.

MARY, b. April 3, 1818; m. Nathaniel S. Taft, Jan. 4, 1843.

WILLARD, b. Feb. 2, 1820.

SUSAN, b. June 12, 1824; m. Linville L. Pike, Jan. 15, 1845.

I am obliged to leave this family thus for want of time to make research, having had no assistance from any of the near relatives.

SAUNDERS, NATHANIEL, Jun.[3] (Nathaniel, sen.,[2] Robert[1]), b. April 13, 1795; m. *Hannah Hawks*, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. Mil., Oct. 9, 1817, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

CHLOE ANN, b. Feb. 12, 1818; m. George S. Bowker, Nov. 28, 1838.

DAVID GORAM, b. Sept. 11, 1820; m. Elizabeth Fisk, 1845.

SARAH ELIZABETH, b. March 5, 1822.

OLIVE DANIELS, b. Sept. 30, 1824.

MARY GORAM, b. Dec. 14, 1827.

HANNAH MARIA, b. Jan. 14, 1833; m. Liberty W. Nelson, Dec. 18, 1856.

JOHN PILLSBURY, b. Nov. 30, 1834; m. Sarah Taft, April 26, 1863.

Nathaniel Saunders d. suddenly in Mendon, Oct. 1, 1860. As to Mrs. Hannah I am not informed.

SAUNDERS, DAVID GORAM[4] (Nathaniel,[3] Nathaniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Sept. 11, 1820; m. *Elizabeth Fisk*, dr. of Jonathan and Gratia (Wilson) Fisk, b. Sept., 1823; cer. in 1845, particulars not ascertained. Issue: —

ELLA M., b. Mil., 1848; m. William A Ballou, April 17, 1864.

Mr. Saunders and wf. resided several yrs. in Hopedale neighborhood, being then owners of the homestead now belonging to Felix Kearney on Freedom St. I think they afterwards res. in Grafton.

MENTIONED IN DIRECTORIES.

SAUNDERS, ALEXANDER R., bootmaker. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

SAUNDERS, MILTON A., bootmaker, 1869; boots and shoes, 1872, '75, '78, '80.

SAUNDERS, CURRINGTON B., carpenter. 1872, '78, '80.

SAUNDERS, SAMUEL R., laborer. 1875, '78, '80.

SAUNDERS, JONATHAN, of firm Saunders, Sloan, & Co., painters, etc. 1880.

SAWYER, HENRY JAMES, son of John B. and Sally (Hayward) Sawyer; ancestry no further traced; b. in New York City, Jan. 22, 1825; m., 1st, *Chloe S. Comey*, adopted dr. of Lovett H. and Alma Maria Bowker, Hop.; cer. June 27, 1850, by Rev. George W. Stacy. Their chn.: —

ALMA M., b. Mil., April 6, 1853; m. Clarence A. Claflin, Hop., June 12, 1877.

MARY B., b. Mil., March 27, 1855; m. Clarence A. Thompson, Hop., Oct., 1877.

Mrs. Chloe d. in Mil., April 4, 1857. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Adaline Cook* of Mil., dr. of Arthur, Esq., and Adaline S. (Purinton) Cook, b. June 30, 1844; cer. in Mil., Jan. 27, 1869, by the writer. Their chn.: —

HENRY JAMES, Jun., b. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 9, 1870.

GORDON HAYWARD, b. Chicago, Ill., Nov. 2, 1871.

MABEL AURILLA, b. Chicago, Ill., March 25, 1873.

GERTRUDE LOVICA, b. Chicago, Ill., Feb., 1876.

Mr. Sawyer has from early life been actively employed in the boot and shoe

manufacture in more or less responsible positions, as workman, manager, or principal. He came to this town in 1850, and res. here 7 yrs. Latterly, for many yrs., he has been successfully engaged in his favorite occupation at Chicago, Ill. An intelligent, enterprising, and highly esteemed family.

SAWYER, Rev. ROYAL TYLER, D.B.; ptge. not given; b. Mt. Holly, Vt., April 25, 1848; as a young man he was familiar with the farm and shop, and served a clerkship in the city of Worcester. He taught school in Vermont and Wisconsin, having received an academical education at Ludlow and Chester, Vt., and in the University of Chicago. He is a graduate of the Divinity Department of Tufts College, in the class of 1873. He was first pastor for 3 yrs. in Gardner, Mass., and resigned a 2 yrs. pastorate at New Market, N.H., to accept a unanimous call of the Universalist Parish in this town. He located here about March 1, 1879. He has a wife and one infant child, but deemed it unnecessary to give me any further requested particulars of his family record. He is a very acceptable preacher, a highly satisfactory pastor, and eminently esteemed in all the orderly circles of our community.

SAWYER, JOSHUA, son of Joshua and Abigail (Patten) Sawyer, b. Hampstead, N.H., Dec. 18, 1813; last-manufacturer; m. *Lucy Emerson Burnham*, dr. of Luke and Eunice (Foster) Burnham, b. in Essex, July 18, 1815; cer. Nov. 13, 1839, in Essex, by Rev. Robert Crowell. One adopted son:—

GEORGE BYRON, b. Hampstead, N.H., June 27, 1838; m. Aug. 9, 1862, bride's name not given; 1 child, Mary Esther, b. March 25, 1872.

This family res. in Haverhill 15 yrs. They have res. in Mil. 26 yrs. Useful, enterprising, worthy people.

SCAMMELL. The Scammells have been justly distinguished here ever since 1737. Two bros., SAMUEL LESLIE and ALEXANDER, natives of Portsmouth, Eng., came over to this country together at about the date mentioned. Both were educated men, and well qualified to take influential positions in society. Little is known respecting Alexander's career in life. He was prob. employed in governmental services, perhaps as land-surveyor, or in other kindred duties. The last we hear of him is as "sole executor" of Samuel Leslie's will, in 1753. He is supposed to have finally taken up his abode in his native place. Samuel Leslie had fitted himself for the practice of medicine, but is said to have felt such reluctance for the calling, that, on settling here, he at first concealed his profession. His secret, however, soon leaked out; and he yielded to the very urgent demands which were made for his services. The oldest document, in which his name is mentioned, is a deed I found in Worcester Registry, B. 18, p. 357. It sets forth that Thomas Sleman "of Salem, in the co. of Essex, with the consent of Priscilla, my wife, in consideration of £380, bills of credit, paid me by Samuel Scammell of Portsmouth in Old England, Schoolmaster," conveys to the said Scammell "the whole of the land in Mendon which I purchased of Benjamin Wheeden [Wheaton], with the buildings," etc. This deed is dated Dec. 7, 1737. Whether he had been here beforehand spying out the land, which is not improbable, nothing is told. An old family Bible says that he and his wife *Jane* (*Libbey*) sailed from Portsmouth, Eng., and landed at Boston 1738. This date may or may not be correct, but we are certain about his purchase of the farm. This ancient homestead on Magomiscock Hill originally belonged to Benj. Wheaton, sen., and somehow came into possession of Benj., jun., who sold it to Sleman, and he to Scammell. It remained in the hands of Scammell's descendants till after the death of the

late Daniel Scammell, a period of over 100 yrs. It is said that the first Dr. Scammell found the old Wheaton domicile on Freedom St. still habitable, and there commenced housekeeping on his newly purchased farm. In my description of abandoned home-sites, Chap. XV., this is numbered 30. He soon became conspicuous as a physician, citizen, and member of the ch. Respecting the chn. of Dr. Samuel Leslie and Jane (Libbey) Scammell, I find nothing to guide me, but Rev. Mr. Frost's record of baptisms, and certain cemetery monuments. Frost's record omits altogether the name of the eldest son, which I have to supply from the Scammell monument in No. Bellingham. From this it appears that the first-born d. Dec. 5, 1805, at the age of 66 yrs; showing that he must have been born in 1739.

SAMUEL LESLIE, Jun., b. 1739; m. Bethiah Corbett of Bell., Jan. 3, 1760.

ALEXANDER, bap. May 16, 1742, by Rev. Mr. Webb, Ux.; d. young.

ANN, bap. Aug. 18, 1745, by Rev. Mr. Frost; d. young.

ALEXANDER, bap. March 22, 1747, by Rev. Mr. Frost; the Adj.-Gen. of the Rev. armies.

ANN, bap. May 13, 1750, by Rev. Mr. Frost; m. Timothy Jones, Dec. 3, 1771.

The fr. d. in the prime of middle age, in 1753, being then about 45 yrs. old. How long his wife survived, I have seen no record. His will describes him as "being sick of a fever," and expecting death ere long. He made a judicious testament, providing suitably for his widow and chn., and appointing his bro. Alexander as sole executor. He commended his 2 sons to the special oversight and tuition of his pastor, Rev. Mr. Frost, that they might be fitted for professional life and usefulness. Mr. Frost is said to have discharged his trust with great fidelity.

Samuel Leslie, jun., did not choose to go to college, but preferred entering by a shorter cut on the practice of medicine. Mr. Frost qualified him, according to the medical requirements of that day, to pursue his studies with eminent physicians. He studied surgery and physic, first with Dr. Wheat of Newton and Boston, and later with the 2d Dr. John Corbett of Bell., into whose family he married at the age of about 21 yrs. He soon set. on his fr.'s homestead, and was the 2d regular physician on our territory.

His bro. Alexander was early fitted for col., must have entered Harvard before he was 19 yrs. old, and grad. in the class of 1769. He was a tall, well-built, handsome man, full 6 ft. 2 inches in height, and of graceful deportment, a bright scholar, a genial companion, and of attractive manners. He taught district schools, with great success, before and during his college course. After graduating, he taught higher schools in Kingston, Mass., Portsmouth, N.H., and Shapleigh, Me. He spent some time with his cousin, Thomas Scammell, who was commissioned by the British Govt. as surveyor of timber in the Dist. of Maine. He then entered on the study of law in the office of John Sullivan, N. H., where he was when the Revolutionary war broke out. Of his entrance into the army, his bravery, his promotion from rank to rank till he reached the grade of Adjutant-Gen., and of his untimely death, through the cowardly brutality of a Hessian mercenary, I have stated the principal facts in Chap. VII. These I need not repeat. Some yrs. ago Wm. F. Goodwin, Esq., of Concord, N.H., proposed to write the life of Gen. Scammell, and collected many of his letters. But I have never heard that the work was published, and do not know what became of the materials collected. A copy of "The Independent Democrat," Concord, N.H., dated Dec. 6, 1860, was put into my hand, some yrs. ago, by John S. Scammell, Esq., of this town, containing a notice of

Mr. Goodwin's intended biography, with important reminiscences of the Adjutant-Gen. and his family. Among other interesting papers mentioned, was what may be called a love-letter to Miss Abigail Bishop, a young lady in N. H., to whom he was tenderly attached at the outbreak of the war, and to whom, it seems, he offered his nuptial hand.

LETTER.

EXETER, March 22, 1777.

DEAREST NABBY, — I arrived at Exeter the Monday after I left Mystic. My horse held out much better than I expected; but, as to myself, I ever feel dejected when I am going from you. I feel as if I had left my better half behind me: a certain inexpressible something hangs upon my mind, that I can't feel happy when absent from my dearest Nabby. Heaven has certainly destined us for each other, else why should we be permitted to carry our mutual affection to so great a length? But cruel fate, and a more cruel war, has thrown an obstacle in your way; but I hope you will surmount it. I can't conceive how or why it should have any weight with you. Love is a noble, disinterested passion; it overlooks small obstacles: and the purer the passion, the greater difficulties it will surmount. Pray consider the almost infinite importance it is to me, to call you my own before I march to Ticonderoga. How happy it will make me! and what vast obligations it will lay me under, to contribute as far as possible to make you happy in the marriage state! I shall not march, I believe, under a month from this time. Consider me, my lovely girl, and enter into a noble resolution to give your hand to the man who loves you almost to adoration, before he takes the field to oppose our tyrannical foes, — consider how many young ladies have immortalized their characters by encouraging their lovers to defend their country. I should still have an opportunity to celebrate our nuptials, and spend a week or ten days in your dear company before my departure, if you could possibly consent. For Heaven's sake, by all the endearing ties of tender affection, I conjure you to write to me by Capt. Livermore; and, if you can consent to my proposal, I will fly to you upon the wings of love! However, write to me, if you have only time to enclose your name in paper.

The more I am acquainted with you, the more my passion increases, the more tender and delicate my love. I shall endeavor, if possible, to spend a few days more with you before I leave this part of the country, at all events, and snatch a few moments of bliss and happiness before I take the field.

Your sincere and most affectionate friend,

ALEXANDER SCAMMELL.

The anxiously desired marriage was never consummated. The bloody tide of war bore this ardent lover farther and farther from the goal of his connubial aspirations, till it plunged him into an untimely grave at Williamsburg, Va., Oct. 6, 1781. His successor in command, Col. Humphreys, hymned his requiem in the following lines: —

"What though no friend could ward thine early fall,
Nor guardian angels turn the treacherous ball,
Bless'd shade, be soothed: thy virtues all are known;
Thy fame shall last beyond this mouldering stone,
Which conquering armies, from their toils return,
Read to thy glory, while thy fate they mourn."

So passed away Gen. Alexander Scammell in his sombre glory; and five years afterward his adored sweetheart became the bride of Dr. Archelaus Putnam of Danvers, Mass., to wit, Nov. 12, 1786.

SCAMMELL, Dr. SAMUEL LESLIE[2] (Dr. Samuel Leslie[1]), b. 1739; m. *Bethiah Corbett*, dr. of Dr. John and Hopestill (Chapin) Corbett, b. Bell., Nov. 21, 1740; cer. Jan. 3, 1760, by Rev. A. Frost. As recorded in Rev. Mr. Frost's regr. of baptisms, their chn. were, —

JOHN, bap. Oct. 23, 1762; physician; m. Hannah Jones, Nov. 24, 1782.

SAMUEL LESLIE, bap. Aug. 21, 1763; not traced.

ALEXANDER, bap. Jan. 1, 1769; d. in infancy.

ALEXANDER, bap. Oct. 6, 1771; m. Ede Daniell, April 18, 1799.

HOPESTILL, bap. May 7, 1775.

Mrs. Bethiah d. in Bell., on the ancient Dr. Corbett homestead, which had become her husband's, Nov. 27, 1805; and her hus. d. just 8 ds. later, Dec. 5, 1805, a. 66 yrs. At what precise date they took up their abode in Bell., I have not ascertained, but prob. only a few yrs. before their death.

SCAMMELL, Dr. JOHN[3] (Dr. Samuel Leslie,[2] Dr. Samuel Leslie[1]), bap. Oct. 23, 1762; m. *Hannah Jones*, dr. of Jonathan and Mary Jones, b. Nov. 29, 1760; cer. Nov. 24, 1782, by Rev. A. Frost. The particulars of Dr. John's education and fitting for his profession have not come to my knowledge. He set. finally on the Dr. Corbett patrimony, whilst the Scammell homestead became the inheritance of his bro. Alexander. The chn. of Dr. John and Hannah (Jones) Scammell were, —

HOPESTILL, b. May 6, 1783; m. Otis Thayer, March 17, 1807; d. Oct. 14, 1808.

SAMUEL LESLIE, b. Nov. 25, 1784; m. Emily Stearns, Oct. 10, 1811; set. Mil.

MARY, b. Nov. 25, 1786; m. John Wheeler, April 4, 1807; she d. Feb. 3, 1811.

BETHIAH, b. June 16, 1791; m. John Wheeler, 1812, and d. soon after.

JOHN CORBETT, b. Aug. 5, 1793; m. Joanna Stearns, Dec. 25, 1815; res. Bell.; farmer.

Mrs. Hannah d. Sept. 9, 1823, a. 62 yrs.; Dr. John d. March 9, 1845, a. 83 yrs.

SCAMMELL, ALEXANDER[3] (Dr. Samuel Leslie,[2] Dr. Samuel Leslie[1]), b. Oct. 6, 1771; m. *Ede Daniell*, dr. of Oliver and Sarah Daniell, b. in 1781; cer. April 18, 1799, by Samuel Jones, Esq. They set. on the Scammell homestead, and pursued the business of agricultural life. Their chn. were, —

SAMUEL, b. April 6, 1800; d. in Cambridge, Aug. 17, 1823, unm.

DANIELL, b. Oct. 15, 1802; m. Mary S. Chapin, Oct. 9, 1827.

LESLIE, b. Dec. 7, 1804; m. Maria Jane Badger; he d. Chelmsford, Nov. 25, 1833; 1 child.

ALEXANDER, b. July 21, 1808; m. Ann A. Partridge, Nov. 6, 1834.

DORINDA, b. June 11, 1811; m. John Adams Clarke, April 10, 1833.

JOHN WHEELER, b. March 22, 1818; m. Mary M. Ellis, Dec. 7, 1841.

VIANA, b. Feb. 18, 1822; d. Feb. 18, 1823.

The hus. and fr. d. rather suddenly of dysentery, Sept. 29, 1823; Mrs. Ede d. Feb. 23, 1832. Worthy people.

SCAMMELL, Col. SAMUEL L.[4] (Dr. John,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. prob. Mil., Nov. 25, 1784; m. *Emily Stearns*, dr. of David and Joanna (Adams) Stearns, b. Mil., Jan. 14, 1793; cer. Oct. 10, 1811, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.: —

MARY WHEELER, b. Bell., Dec. 4, 1812; m. Joseph W. Littlefield, June 6, 1841; she d. July 12, 1878.

JOHN STEARNS, b. Bell., May 26, 1816; grad. B. U., 1837, — our earliest lawyer.

Col. S. attained to early distinction in the militia, and municipal affairs in Bell. He returned to Mil. in 1824 or 1825, and set. on the David Stearns homestead, or at least a portion thereof, and was honored with various offices of public responsibility, such as moderator, selectman, town treasurer, rep. to Gen. Court, justice peace, etc. The family inherited and sustained an honorable social standing. He d. July 17, 1855; Mrs. Emily d. June 8, 1854.

SCAMMELL, Maj. JOHN CORBETT [4] (Dr. John,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]). b. Mil., Aug. 5, 1793; of honorable distinction in Bell.; m. *Joanna Stearns*, dr. of David and Joanna (Adams) Stearns, b. Mil., Dec. 24, 1794; cer. Dec. 25, 1815, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.: —

HOPESTILL BETHIAH, b. Sept. 18, 1816; res. in unm. usefulness on the paternal homestead.

JANE LIBBEY, b. April 7, 1818; m. Rev. George N. Townsend, Aug. 10, 1842.

LUCIUS LESLIE, b. Dec. 17, 1819; physician; long set. in Hop., and has a family there.

SAMUEL STEARNS, b. Nov. 27, 1822; m. Frances A. Ballou, Nov. 20, 1845.

Maj. Scammell was a farmer, dwelling on the ancient Dr. John Corbett homestead, close to our south-eastern corner. The family lived too near us, were too closely connected by relationship, and have exemplified too much solid worth, to be omitted from this genealogical record. Maj. S. d. Jan. 23, 1848; Mrs. Joanna, his widow, d. Dec. 5, 1871.

SCAMMELL, JOHN STEARNS, Esq.[5] (Col. Samuel L.,[4] Dr. John,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. Bell., May 26, 1816; grad. B. U., 1837; stud. law, admitted to bar by Supreme Court in session at Dedham, 1840, and immediately opened Milford's first regular law-office; m. *Joanna W. Newell*, dr. of Willard and Lydia W. (Thompson) Newell, b. Cumberland, R.I., Dec., 1829; cer. Boston, Oct., 1851, by Rev. Sebastian Streeter. Their chn.: —

GEORGE, b. Oct. 28, 1852; d. Jan. 6, 1853.

ELLEN L., b. Jan. 5, 1854; d. in hopeful youth, deeply lamented, 1874.

Esq. Scammell is of a retiring, unpretentious disposition, not especially gifted with forensic eloquence, but respected as a sound lawyer, and very judicious legal adviser. He was appointed first justice of our original police-court, has long stood as a prominent justice peace, been rep. to Gen. Court, and held various responsible offices. Of course the family rank in community is legitimately reputable.

SCAMMELL, DANIELL [4] (Alexander,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. Oct. 15, 1802; m. *Mary Sumner Chapin*, dr. of Josiah and Mary (Willard) Chapin, b. Orrington, Me., 1807; cer. there Oct. 9, 1827, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL, b. Nov. 21, 1828; m. Phebe Ann Chapin, March 4, 1852.

ALBERT LESLIE, b. April 8, 1835; d. Sept. 14, 1836.

AMANDA CHAPIN, b. May 2, 1840; a devoted school-teacher in various places, — Atlanta, Ga.; Mendon, Wrentham, Westboro', and Milford.

MARY, b. Feb. 20, 1843; d. 2 ds. afterwards.

Daniell Scammell dwelt on the ancient homestead; Mrs. Mary, his wf., d. there, June 22, 1844; and he, Oct. 16, 1862. They held a reputable rank in society.

SCAMMELL, Dr. ALEXANDER [4] (Alexander,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. July 21, 1808; m. *Ann Augusta Partridge*, dr. of William and

Susan (Maines) Partridge, b. May 22, 1816, in Woolwich, Me.; cer. in Providence, R.I., Nov. 6, 1834, by Rev. Mr. Manchester. Their chn.:—

Rosetta Augusta, b. Mil., Nov. 12, 1836; m. Francis Marion Ball, Nov. 30, 1854.

William Henry, b. Mil., June 21, 1838; m., 1st, S. P. Chapin, 1861; 2d, M. E. Fisher, 1866.

Mary Jane, b. Mil., May 17, 1841; m., 1st, Benjamin B. Bangs, 1867; 2d, George E. Scripture, 1880.

Leslie Alexander, b. Mil., April 20, 1843; d. Oct., 1854.

Emma E., b. Mil., July, 1845; d. March 19, 1861.

John L., b. Mil., 1848; d. May, 1849.

Dr. Alexander was a physician of the botanic school. He qualified himself by study and incipient practice with Dr. John Brown of Providence, R.I. Besides this tuition he had a natural aptitude for his calling. He commenced practice in his native town in 1833; had good success, and was driven with business almost to the day of his death, — a period of 24 yrs. or thereabouts. Meantime he kept a well-supplied depository of botanic medicines, and had many customers. But his rather feeble constitution sunk under pulmonary disease, and he passed on to the higher life, Jan. 29, 1858, in the 50th yr. of his age. His wife was his faithful coadjutor throughout, accompanied him much during the last three years of his life on his rounds of visitation to patients, learned his methods, and became herself quite a skilful practitioner, especially in midwifery. After his decease she followed mainly this branch of the profession for some 16 yrs., with much success, till physical infirmity obliged her to relinquish it. She has since devoted herself to quiet domestic usefulness, having experienced repeated sicknesses and bereavements in her family. She has 2 drs. and 3 grandchn. surviving.

SCAMMELL, William Henry[5] (Dr. Alexander,[4] Alexander,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. June 21, 1838; clerk; m., 1st, *Sarah P. Chapin*, dr. of Harry W. and Charlotte (Lowe) Chapin, b. in Upton, 1840; cer. Mil., June 9, 1861, by the writer. Issue: A nameless infant, who instantly d. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Elizabeth Fisher*, dr. of Lewis and Ruth H. (Benchly) Fisher, b. Malden, Nov. 30, 1843; cer. Mil., Oct. 10, 1866, by Rev. J. B. Thornton. Issue:—

Lewis Alexander,[6] b. Mil., April 2, 1868.

The hus. and fr., after a gradual pulmonary decline, d. May 26, 1880, a. almost 42 yrs. He had served his country faithfully in the late war, and recd. due military, civic, and religious honors at his funeral. See Chap. VIII., "War Record of the Rebellion," where his name is accompanied by specifications of service and promotions.

THE SCAMMELL BIBLE.

This venerable relic and donation of Gen. Alexander Scammell, printed in 1768, is now the inherited keepsake of *Lewis Alexander Scammell*,[6] surviving son of William H. It contains the following interesting inscriptions:—

"This Bible: Presented by Col. Alexander Scammell, Adjutant-General of the American Armies; and who was unfortunately captured and afterwards insidiously wounded; of which wound he expired at Williamsburg, October, 1781 Anno Domini; given and to be kept in the name of him who fought and bled for the benefit of his Country.

"Also in memory of Alexander Scammell, who died at Milford, Mass., Sept.

29, 1823, aged 52 years. And now in the possession of his son Alexander Scammell, aged 21, A.D. 1829. Died at Milford, Mass., Jany. 29th, 1858, aged 49 yrs. 6 mos. Presented to his grandson, Lewis Alexander Scammell, Dec., 1872, aged 4 yrs."

SCAMMELL, SAMUEL[5] (Daniell,[4] Alexander,[3] Dr. Samuel L.,[2] Dr. Samuel L.[1]), b. Nov. 21, 1828; bootmaker; mr.'s maiden name Mary Sumner Chapin; m. *Phebe Ann Chapin*, dr. of Leonard and Semira (Howard) Chapin, b. March 4, 1832; cer. at Hopedale, March 4, 1852, by the writer. Their chn.:—

LIZZIE ANN, b. Mil., Feb. 19, 1855; m. Edwin Wallace Whitmore, Mil., Nov. 21, 1876.

FRED CHAPIN, b. Mil., Aug. 22, 1857; brakeman on P. & W. R. Rd.

The hus. and fr. fell a victim to that cerebral-mania which so often results in suicide, and d. Aug. 18, 1874. Mrs. Phebe survives her sorrows in worthy widowhood, and her chn. hold a reputable standing.

SCHOFIELD, JOHN, son of Benjamin, b. Saddleworth, Eng., Dec. 15, 1793; woollen-factory operative and overseer; m. *Mary Emily Amermon*, ptge. not given, b. in Pleasant Valley, N.Y., Oct. 8, 1806; date and particulars of cer. not given. Issue:—

EMILY GORHAM, b. Pleasant Valley, N.Y., March 18, 1822; m. Adams C. Daniels, Aug. 11, 1844.

HARRIET REED, b. Pleasant Valley, N.Y., June 17, 1824; m. Moses Smith, Aug. 21, 1845.

MARY, b. Pleasant Valley, N.Y., Oct. 18, 1826; d. July 16, 1827.

AMANDA, b. Pleasant Valley, N.Y., Sept. 21, 1828; m. Amasa C. Daniels, Nov. 11, 1849.

MARTHA, b. Pleasant Valley, N.Y., March 6, 1831; d. Feb. 12, 1832.

EDWARD, b. Canton, Mass., Nov. 15, 1832; m. Catherine E. Moore, May 28, 1856.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1836; m. John W. Buck, June 28, 1866.

ELDORA, d. young.

IOLA, d. young.

Mr. Schofield came over from Eng. at the age of 20 yrs. He was long an operative and overseer in woollen factories, but later betook himself to bootmaking. He res. at different periods in several places in N. Y. State, and then in our Commonwealth, at Canton, Watertown, Millbury, Saxonville, and Mil. He dwelt at Bungay at one time, when the woollen manufacture was carried on there; and one, at least, of his younger chn. was b. there. He was an ingenious, industrious, honest, and kind-hearted man in his own somewhat peculiar way. He d. in Mil., under the infirmities of age, Nov. 6, 1879, a. 85 yrs. 10 mos. and 22 days. His invalid wid. still survives at this writing.

SCHOFIELD, EDWARD[3] (John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Canton, Nov. 15, 1832; mr.'s maiden name Mary Emily Amermon; occupation that of machinist; m. *Catherine E. Moore*, dr. of John and Ann (Smith) Moore, b. on Staten Island, N.Y., Aug. 17, 1836; cer. at Hopedale, May 28, 1856, by the writer. Issue:—

EDWARD MORTIMER, b. Mil., Jan. 2, 1857.

GEORGE EVERETT, b. Mil., Jan. 16, 1863.

WILLIAM IRVING, b. Mil., June 21, 1871; d. Aug. 26, same yr.

CHARLES IRVING, b. Mil., Sept. 30, 1874.

WALTER WARREN, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1876; d. Feb. 17, 1878.

SCHULZ, HENRY, son of Henry and Margaret Schulze, b. Blankenburg, Ger-

many, July 6, 1823; boot-finisher; m. *Catherine McNerny*, dr. of Thomas and Sarah (Flynn) McNerny, birthplace and date not given; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 10, 1856, by the writer. Their chn.:—

FREDERICK, b. Mil., Dec. 20, 1857; d. Nov. 30, 1858.

ERNEST LOUIS, b. Mil., Nov. 1, 1859; printer in "Milford Journal" office.

GEORGE HENRY, b. Mil., Aug. 20, 1861; in Green Bros.' employ.

Mr. Schulz has res. in Mil. 28 yrs. Industrious, honest, frugal, Americanized people.

SCOTT. We have had, first and last, a considerable number bearing this name; but most of them have been mere sojourners among us. These I shall only partly specify, but confine myself mainly to the important few who have made a permanent record on our soil. Rila Scott, a cousin of the writer, set. here about the yr. 1850. He had been a cloth manufacturer in various localities of Mass., R. I., and N. H., before removing to Mil. All the Scotts are said to have originated in Scotland; but I shall not trouble the reader with any traditions or speculations that go behind Rila's immigrant ancestor, John Scott; who, I presume, came to this country as early as 1648, in the household of Lawrence and Cassandra Southwick. Lawrence and his wf. were among the earliest Quakers of Salem. After bitter persecutions, they took refuge in Rhode Island with Roger Williams. John Scott was in Salem in 1648; thence, several yrs. later, he and his wf. Rebecca went to Providence, R.I., where, between 1662 and 1672, they had 6 chn. The youngest of these was Sylvanus, b. Nov. 10, 1672. He had sons Sylvanus, Joseph, etc. He settled these sons in the southerly part of now Bellingham, where their descendants became numerous. Joseph, b. prob. between 1695 and 1700, was endowed by his fr. with an ample tract of land on and about "Scott Hill," so called, a portion of which is still in possession of Willard Scott, a bro. of Rila. Joseph Scott, the gt. gd. fr. of Rila, by wf. Elizabeth, had a son Samuel, and he a son Saul, who was the fr. of Rila. It would be interesting to the Scotts if I could give full tabulations of John Scott's descendants, with collateral details; but this is precluded by the limitations of my work. I will, however, stretch my lines far enough to take in Saul Scott's family record, at least in part.

SCOTT, SAUL[5] (Dea. Samuel,[4] Joseph,[3] Sylvanus,[2] John[1]), b. July 2, 1764; m. *Selah Ballou*, dr. of Ariel and Jerusha (Slack) Ballou, b. in Cumberland, R.I., May 23, 1764; cer. May 13, 1781, by whom not given, but prob. by Rev. Abner Ballou. Their chn.:—

OLNEY, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Feb. 4, 1782; m. Lydia Lazell; he d. 1838.

POLLY, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Feb. 5, 1784; m. John Seagrave of Uxbridge.

JERUSHA, b. Scott Hill, Bell., April 9, 1786; m. Dorrington Seagrave of Ux.

SELAH, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Jan. 4, 1788; m. Asa Newell.

SELISSA, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Sept. 21, 1789; m. Asa Hall.

ABIGAIL, b. Scott Hill, Bell., March 18, 1791; d. April 19, 1809.

LAVINA, b. Scott Hill, Bell., March 27, 1793; m. Martin Chilson of Bell.

RILA, b. Scott Hill, Bell., April 4, 1795; m. Sarah S. Paine of now E. Blackstone.

AXALANA, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Feb. 16, 1797; unm.

EMORY, b. Scott Hill, Bell., May 24, 1799; m. Waity Jillson; he d. 1868.

WILLARD, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Nov. 14, 1801; m. Sarah Amanda Taggard.

SAUL BARTON, b. Scott Hill, Bell., July 5, 1804; m. Susan Daniels; both surviving in Franklin.

JEFFERSON, b. Scott Hill, Bell., Aug. 3, 1806; m. Elsie Worrall; removed to Cal., I think.

Saul Scott, the fr., d. April 22, 1834. His venerable wid., Selah (Ballou) Scott, d. April 15, 1854. Their posterity, through the above-named chn., is too numerous to introduce into these pages; so I come directly to —

SCOTT, RILA[6] (Saul,[5] Dea. Samuel,[4] Joseph,[3] Sylvanus,[2] John[1]), b. April 4, 1795; m. *Sarah S. Paine*, dr. of James and Lydia (Aldrich) Paine, b. Smithfield, R.I., Oct. 9, 1798; cer. Mendon, Feb. 28, 1819, by whom not given. Their chn.: —

MALVINA F., b. April 15, 1821; d. Oct. 17, 1831.

OLNEY W., b. March 31, 1824; d. same day.

SARAH ADELAIDE, b. July 13, 1829; m. Zelotes Gleason, Dec. 20, 1855.

HENRY CLINTON, b. Sept. 5, 1833; m. Laura Adelaide Hunt, Oct. 17, 1855.

AUGUSTUS ELWIN, b. Aug. 18, 1837; an intelligent lawyer in Boston.

The fr. was fatally injured by the sudden movement of a large stone which he was at work trying to sink by digging, on one of his estates in Douglas, and d. there, Nov. 8, 1855. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d in Mil., Sept. 12, 1876. In all the qualities that constitute intelligence, enterprise, moral worth, and social respectability, this whole family, of earlier and later generations, graduate high.

SCOTT, HENRY CLINTON[7] (Rila,[6] Saul,[5] Dea. Samuel,[4] Joseph,[3] Sylvanus,[2] John[1]), b. now E. Blackstone, Sept. 5, 1833; merchant; m. *Laura Adelaide Hunt*, dr. of Hiram and Laura Ann (Adams) Hunt, b. Mil., Jan. 25, 1836; cer. Mil., Oct. 17, 1855, by Rev. James Riley Johnson. Their chn.: —

CLINTON RILA, b. Mil., April 13, 1856; m. Ida Florence Witherell, Oct. 11, 1877.

HIRAM LANDON, b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1857; d. Aug. 14, 1858.

FRANK ELWIN, b. Mil., Aug. 29, 1862.

Mr. Scott has been too long known as a merchant, and a holder of responsible positions in town, to need special characterization; likewise his estimable wf. in her eminent worth and social standing. But at the moment of this writing she lies at the point of death, a long distressed yet patient sufferer from that dreadful disease, cancer. She is the last of 9 chn. in her father's family, 8 of them and her parents having preceded her to the immortal realm. Several months after the foregoing was penned she d., March 13, 1881, in the 46th yr. of her age; and her memorial was blessed.

SCOTT, CLINTON RILA[8] (Henry C.,[7] Rila,[6] Saul,[5] Dea. Samuel,[4] Joseph,[3] Sylvanus,[2] John[1]), b. April 13, 1856; clerk in his fr.'s store, etc.; m. *Ida Florence Witherell*, dr. of Charles F. and Mary A. (Oliver) Witherell, b. Mil., 1855; cer. Oct. 11, 1877, by the writer. They have 1 child.

Among the transient Scotts, properly mentionable, were, —

SCOTT, DAVID, and his wf. *Lodensa*, from Cuba, N.Y., who res. Hopedale a few mos. between 1849 and 1853. They had 3 chn; viz., —

CORA L. V., birth-date unknown to me. She became the celebrated trance-speaking Spiritualist, now Cora L. V. Richmond of Chicago, Ill.

EDWIN, birth-date unknown to me. He res. in Hopedale some time after his parents left.

EMMA, birth-date unknown to me; left with her parents.

The fr. d. at the West; and his wid. had a brief second sojourn in Hopedale with her chn. of perhaps a yr. or thereabouts, ending in 1853 or 1854.

Then we had at Hopedale, for a few yrs., —

SCOTT, WILLIAM,[7] and wf. *Sarah (Snow)*, from So. Bellingham, the "Scott Hill" neighborhood. I think he was a son of William,[6] the son of Samuel,[5] the son of Dea. Samuel,[4] the son of Joseph,[3] the son of Sylvanus,[2] the son of John.[1] They had 3 chn.; viz., —

MARY ELIZABETH, b. March 13, 1836; m. William Tebb, now a wealthy merchant, London, Eng.

CAROLINE FRANCES, b. June 22, 1838; m. Welcome Ballou, near Woonsocket, R.I.

EMMA, b. June 13, 1847; m. Eugene Judson Eames; res. Providence, R.I.

What other transient dwellers of this name I might have found on our records, I know not, having omitted further research. I notice, however, in our Directory for 1880, —

SCOTT, ALFRED E., boot-finisher.

SCOTT, JOHN H., boot-burnisher.

SCRIBNER, CHARLES K., and wf. *Ann*, residents in town a while ago, are credited on our records with 1 birth, —

WILLIAM JAMES, b. Oct. 14, 1843.

SHEFFIELD, Lieut. WILLIAM[4] (William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Holl., Feb. 28, 1699; clothier; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Bullard; m. *Mary* ——, in Holl. Their chn.: —

MARY, b. Holl., Sept. 7, 1722.

HANNAH, b. Holl., Feb. 28, 1723-4; m. Nehemiah Nelson, Oct. 29, 1742.

DEBORAH, b. Holl., Sept. 3, 1726; m. Josiah Ward, Mendon, Sept. 1, 1748.

ABIGAIL, b. Holl., July 21, 1729; m., 1st, Oliver Brown, Hartford Ct., Oct. 17, 1750; 2d, Daniel Chapin.

RACHEL, b. Mendon, Feb. 20, 1731; d. March 31 ensuing.

Lieut. Wm.[4] was gt. grd. son of William,[1] who first dwelt in Braintree, but in 1673 set. in the westerly part of Sherborn, now Holliston. His gd. father, William,[2] had an ample homestead, that included what, in our time, has been known as the John Claflin, sen., place. His gd. dr., Mary Sheffield, became the wf. of John Claflin, sen. She was niece to Lieut. Wm.[4] Wm.,[3] fr. of Lieut. William, probably inherited a portion of the patrimonial est.; and I presume Lieut. William was b. thereon. He was brought up to the trade of a clothier, and in 1731, Aug. 4, purchased David Howe's well-equipped clothier establishment on Mill River, in what is now the south-westerly part of Mil., the famous ancient Benjamin Albee *corn-mill privilege*, rebuilt, enlarged, and greatly improved. Lewis B. Gaskill now owns the oldest portion of the premises. The price paid Howe was £500. Lieut. William was one of the original members of our Cong. ch. formed in 1741, and served as its scribe for some yrs. From various recorded incidents in his career, I infer that he was a man of considerable natural ability, shrewd insight into common affairs, ample combativeness, and a determined will. Mrs. Mary, his 1st wf., d., date not found; and he m., 2d, wid. *Lydia Rawson* of Holl., Sept. 25, 1776. No chn. I have not made critical research to ascertain just when or where he d. It is certain, however, that his corn-mill and clothier's establishment passed into the possession of Jeremiah Kelley & Sons, a little time before the incorporation of Milford, in 1780.

SHEFFIELD, ISAAC[4] (William,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. in Holl., March 3, 1697; m. *Martha Albee* of Mendon, dr. of James and Mary (Thayer) Albee, b. May 6, 1714; cer. Feb. 16, 1737-8. Their chn.: —

ELIZABETH, b. in Holl., March 25, 1741; d. April 2 following.

ISAAC, b. in Holl., Jan. 2, 1748-9; m. Abigail Wood of Upton.

MARY, b. in Holl., March 12, 1752; m. John Claflin, sen.

I cannot trace Isaac and Martha further. Presume they lived and d. on the John Claflin, sen., place, Holl.

In 1784, when our original four school-districts were arranged into eight, an Isaac Sheffield res. on what is now Silver-hill St., and is mentioned as a frontier dweller on the southern line of the eighth. I have taken some pains to find out who this Isaac Sheffield was, and to learn his family record, but without success. Neither Mendon records, nor our own, give me the desired information. I have had intimations, and strongly suspect, that he mvd. over into Upton not long after 1784. Perhaps if I had consulted Upton records, I should have got his family history; but this I omitted to do. If I were to guess, I should incline to think him the son of Isaac,[4] b. in Holl., Jan. 2, 1748–9, who m. Abigail Wood of Upton.

SHEFFIELD, JOHN, pedigree not traced, res. for several yrs. on or near Silver-hill St. I am told that he came into town from Hop., and returned thither to dwell. He and wf. *Emeline* are credited on our birth-records with the following-named chn.: —

FRANCES MINERVA, b. Jan. 21, 1833.
JANE ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 18, 1834.
GEORGE VALENTINE, b. March 29, 1836.
JOHN AUSTIN, b. Dec. 29, 1837.
CHARLES MADISON, b. July 11, 1840.
EMELINE BRIDGES, b. Jan. 12, 1842.

I have no personal knowledge of this family, and must leave the parents and chn. to be traced further by those sufficiently interested. Doubtless some interesting facts and incidents would thus be brought to light.

SHELDON, THOMAS J., pedigree, birth-date, and antecedents not ascertained by me; m. *Catherine E. Sumner*, dr. of Ellis and Rhoda (Loring) Sumner, b. Mil., March 29, 1820; cer. May 15, 1844; further particulars not given. Issue: —

BRADFORD S., b. May 26, 1845; no information obtained.
THEODORE, b. July 26, 1846; no information obtained.
CORA, b. Aug. 18, 1848; no information obtained.
HERBERT, b. March 1, 1850; no information obtained.
S. ELDORA, b. Jan. 28, 1852; public-school teacher.
ANNIE E., b. July 6, 1854; public-school teacher.

I hoped to have seen or heard from Mr. S., with a view to obtaining a more complete family record, but have not. I see him mentioned in our Directories 1869 to 1880, as the proprietor of a fish-market in the Exchange, and having his home on Franklin St. near Grove. An intelligent and respectable family.

SHELDON, NEHEMIAH R., and wf., *Martha Ann*, had, —

ABBY ANN, b. July 3, 1843. Family no further traced.

SHELDON, Mrs. ARNOLD, appears in all our Directories 1872 to 1880.

SHELDON, CHARLES H., boardmatcher, appears 1872; as baker, 1875.

SHELDON, EMMA F., clerk, appears in 1878.

SHEPHERDSON, AMOS, pedigree untraced; m. *Hannah Norcross*, dr. of Peter and Joanna (Morse) Norcross, b. Sept. 8, 1754; cer. Oct. 1, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost. They dwelt in No. Purchase a while, and then left town.

SHERMAN, MORTIMER, is the only one of this name who has condescended to give in his family record. He was the son of Clinton and Lavila (Green), b. Canterbury, Ct., Aug. 23, 1839; m. *Adeline S. Brown*, dr. of John G. and Julia Ann (Snow) Brown, b. in Mattapoisett, Mass., June 17, 1840; cer. in Taunton, April 11, 1866, by Rev. Robert C. Rogers, rector of St. Thomas Ch., Taunton. No issue reported. They came to Hopedale in

1869, and remained here about 11 yrs., during which Mr. S. was employed by the Drapers as one of their trusted travelling agents, not only in this country, but for a considerable term in England. Mrs. S. accompanied her hus. to Eng., and spent several months there. A very kind-hearted, genial pair. Since leaving Hopedale, in 1880, they have res. in Bozrahville, Ct., and later in the Southern States.

SHERMAN, JOHN, whose wf. was *Laura Taft* of Mendon, sister of our well-known jobber, Frank Taft, res. on Silver Hill some yrs. ago. Mrs. Laura d. there, March 18, 1841, a. 43 yrs. They were the parents of *Mrs. Homer T. Ball*, and of a son, *George Sherman*, who m. Fanny Phipps in 1848. He d. March 24, 1865, a. about 37 yrs. He left Mrs. Fanny a wid., but whether any chn. I do not recollect. Indeed, my limited information enables me to give only this imperfect outline of the family record. Death-date of Mr. John unknown to me.

SHERMAN, WILLIAM M., stonecutter, appears in Directory 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

SHERMAN, JAMES S., stonecutter, Directory 1872, '75, '78, '80.

SHERMAN, JOHN H., carpenter, Directory 1872.

SHERMAN, THEODORE N., stonecutter, Directory 1872, '75, '78, '80.

SHERMAN, ADRASTUS, stonecutter, Directory 1875, '78, '80.

SHERMAN, GEORGE, stonecutter, Directory 1875, '78.

SHIPPEE, CHARLES WILLIAM, son of Freeman and Elizabeth S. (Daniels) Shippee, b. Thompson, Ct., March 4, 1845, whence his parents removed with him, the same yr., to a farm in Holl.; m. *Carrie M. Clapp*, dr. of Joseph and Susan (Adlington) Clapp, birth-place and date not given; cer. Weymouth, Aug. 25, 1875, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. Issue:—

CARL CLAPP, b. Mil., April 5, 1879.

An intelligent, worthy, and promising family. Mr. S. has res. in Mil. since Jan., 1865, engaged in manufacturing boots with John P. Daniels. He has been successful in business, and is becoming an influential citizen. He stands high in the Masonic Fraternity; having officiated as High Priest of Mount Lebanon R. A. Chapter, and being now Generalissimo of Milford Commandery of Knights Templar. He is a charter member, director, and the secretary of our new and auspicious Water co. His future seems bright and hopeful.

SIMONS, QUAM, formerly an African slave; m. *Jenny Hagar*, formerly an African slave in Dr. John Scammell's family; cer. July 17, 1785, by Rev. A. Frost. No records, that have come under my eye, reveal the issue or subsequent history of these emancipated slaves, nor of the others previously mentioned, except the Dewner family.

SKINNER, HENRY CLINTON, son of Nathan and Narcissa (Nash) Skinner; ancestry no further traced; b. in Plainfield, Vt., Nov. 24, 1824; m. *Adelia Lawrence*, dr. of Cephas and Betsey (Sumner) Lawrence, b. in Hop., Feb. 3, 1832; cer. at Hopedale, June 28, 1848, by Rev. Daniel S. Whitney. Issue:—

BETTIE MELVINA, b. Jan. 13, 1850; m. Edgar Pines Willard, May 1, 1872.

CEPHAS CLINTON, b. Oct. 24, 1852; m. Mary Barbary Kolb, July 4, 1878.

ADA ALMIDA, b. Sept. 7, 1855; one of our public-school teachers.

One gd. child, Florence Ethel Willard, dr. of E. P. and Bettie M. (Lawrence) Willard, b. Nov. 3, 1874.

Mr. S. is a skilful boot-cutter. He has res. in town ever since early in 1848. He is a man of distinction and official trust in the Masonic Fraternity, an influ-

ential member of the Universalist Society, and a highly respected citizen. He has served with fidelity in the front rank of our fire-department, represented his fellow-citizens in the Legislature of 1872, and otherwise enjoyed deserved public confidence. His wife and family worthily share his good standing in society.

SLOPER, AMBROSE, pedigree untraced, was several yrs. a citizen of Mil., m. his 1st wf. here, and had 4 chn. b. in town. He m. *Martha Cushman*, dr. of Matthew S. and Cynthia Cushman; cer. Sept. 4, 1825, by the writer. Issue here: —

CORDELIA MARIA, b. April 16, 1826; d. July 1, 1828.

ALBERT THURSTON, b. May 26, 1827.

SARAH JANE, b. March 17, 1829; d. Feb. 11, 1832.

ADELINE, b. Sept. 3, 1830; m. Spencer Sweet; res. San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. S. was employed, while res. here, in the boot business. He removed hence with his family to Boston or vicinity, perhaps in 1834. Other chn. were b. to him there, one of whom, Mrs. Dea. Samuel W. Walker, now res. in town. Mrs. Martha d.; and the hus. subsequently m. successively two wives, by whom he had several additional chn. I understand he d. some yrs. ago. I am not well enough informed to be more specific concerning the family history.

SMITH. The Smiths seem to be ubiquitous and numberless. Yet this town has had comparatively few families of the name. Such of these, whose family records have come to my knowledge, are noticed below.

SMITH, OLIVER, ptge., etc., not ascertained, but said to be of Holl., m. *Tryphena Cheney*, dr. of Caleb and Mary (Wheelock) Cheney, b. Nov. 13, 1758; cer. Sept. 24, 1778, by Rev. A. Frost. The 1st vol. of our town records says that he and his wf. and child, Simeon, came from Westminster to res. in Mil., Dec. 15, 1781, but make no further mention of them.

SMITH, GAIUS, wf. Olive, and chn., Gaius, Mary, and Sarah, are stated in the 1st vol. of our records to have "come from Mendon, taken in by Obadiah Wheelock," and no more told concerning the family.

SMITH, Capt. HORATIO NELSON, son of Shubael and Grace (White) Smith, b. in Newton, Aug. 9, 1801. His fr. was b. in Sandwich, Sept. 6, 1761; his mr. in Watertown, Sept. 10, 1767. I cannot trace their ancestry. They had several chn., but neither their names nor number have reached my knowledge. The fr. d. in Newton, leaving Horatio, a lad of 10 or 12 yrs. old. His mr. was poor, and obliged to seek homes for her orphans where she could. One day Ebenezer Sumner, father of Ellis, Clark, etc., on one of his marketing trips to and from Boston, was accosted in Newton by young Horatio with the inquiry, if he knew of any farmer up his way who would like to take a boy into his service. Mr. Sumner was much interested in the intelligent-looking inquirer, and sought an interview with his widowed mother. The result was, that he took Horatio home with him, and became a kind of foster father to him. But, not needing his services for himself, he procured him employment in other families. He lived some yrs. with Zebediah Flagg, and, when older, hired himself out to such employers as wanted help, — first at farming business, and later at boot-work. In process of time he found a worthy bridal companion in the person of *Elizabeth Hayward*, dr. of Jason Hayward of Hop., but who was brought up as an adopted dr. in the family of the forementioned Ebenezer Sumner. I have not traced her lineage, but presume she was a descendant of one of our Mil. Jonathan Haywards. They were m. at Ebenezer Sumner's, April 5, 1827, by the writer. They res. for several yrs. as tenants in the house of

Otis Parkhurst on Purchase St., but later bought a part of the ancient Nathaniel Parkhurst place, and dwelt there. They had no chn., but became so greatly attached to Marion Parkhurst, dr. of Otis and Sarah J. Parkhurst, that they virtually adopted her as their own; and the relationship proved a very sacred one to them and Marion. She m. James A. Stoddard, May 17, 1853. They now res. in Chicago, Ill.

Capt. Smith was naturally of a very ardent and generous temperament. He passed through so many severe trials and hardships in early life, that he was especially sympathetic and kind toward those growing up in similar circumstances, as he was to the poor and needy generally. He was a democratic patriot from core to rind, and alive all over with martial instincts. He took much interest and pride in the Mil. Artillery Co., into whose ranks he was early inducted, and of which he rose, grade after grade, to be capt. in 1835. He must have been lieut. and capt. in it for as many as 10 yrs. He was always a stanch and zealous politician in town, state, and national affairs, without reaching any important official attainment. His wf. was one of the best of women in her own domestic and social sphere. He d. July 3, 1854. Mrs. Elizabeth d. with her foster dr., Mrs. Stoddard, in Chicago, Feb. 27, 1876. But her remains were brought here for burial.

SMITH, CHARLES, ptge., ancestry, and particulars of mge. not ascertained, and wf., Drusilla, are recorded to have had the following-named chn.: —

DEXTER, b. May 2, 1822.
HANNAH, b. Oct. 15, 1824.
LOVICA, b. Jan. 11, 1827.
SYBIL, b. May 13, 1829.
WILLIS, b. June 10, 1832.
GEORGE, b. Sept. 19, 1837.
DRUSILLA } (twins), b. Nov. 25, 1842.
FIRILLA } b. Nov. 25, 1842.

Mrs. Drusilla d. Nov. 25, 1842, in child-bed, at the birth of her twins. The family no further traced.

SMITH, CHARLES HENDERSON[4] (Charles Aldrich,[3] Moses,[2] Col. Calvin[1]), b. Mendon, Nov. 2, 1820; mr.'s maiden name Betsey Taft, dr. of Japhet; m. *Vincy Ann Alexander*, dr. of John W. and Elizabeth (Thurber) Alexander, b. in Wrentham, May 25, 1830; cer. Mendon, Jan. 17, 1849, by Rev. Charles Chamberlain. Issue: —

EMMA ELIZABETH, b. Mendon, July 20, 1850; m. George E. Mowry, July 5, 1870.
JENNY LIND, b. Mendon, March 12, 1852; res. with parents.
EVELYN TAFT, b. Mendon, Dec. 26, 1853; res. with parents.
FRANK DAVENPORT, b. Mendon, Nov. 12, 1855; boot-maker in Worcester.
MARTHA MARIA, b. Mil., 1858; d. Aug., 1859, a. 14 mos.
ELMER ELLSWORTH, b. Mil., May 16, 1861; student high school, etc.
NAMELESS INFANT, b. Mil., 1863; stillborn.

Mr. Smith's gt. gd. fr., Calvin Smith, was of Mendon, b. in Eng., and lieut.-col. in the Revolutionary war. He d. in 1802. Mr. S. has res. in Mil. 20 yrs. He was formerly a foreman boot-sider in Capt. Elbridge Mann's manufactory, but has latterly officiated acceptably as sexton of the orthodox Cong. parish.

SMITH, MOSES,[4] bro. of the preceding (Charles A.,[3] Moses,[2] Col. Calvin[1]), b. in Mendon, Sept. 23, 1823; leather-cutter; m. *Harriet Reed Schofield*, dr. of John and Mary Emily (Amermon) Schofield, b. in Pleasant Valley, N.Y. June 17, 1824; cer. Mil., Aug. 21, 1845, by Rev. Benj. H. Davis. Issue: —

Amanda Betsey, b. Mil., Aug. 1, 1845; m. Henry H. Bellows, Holl., Feb. 7, 1869; she d. Nov. 9, 1879.

Edgar Moses, b. Mil., Nov. 10, 1850; m. Mary A. Clark, Medway, Feb. 12, 1874.

Annie Peyton Davenport, b. Mil., Dec. 25, 1854; m. Albert B. Barton, Medway, April, 1878.

Grandchn. : —

Annie Louisa Bellows, Holl., b. Sept. 18, 1877.

Maud Granger Barton, b. Jan. 17, 1879.

Bessie Amanda Smith, b. Jan. 11, 1880.

Mr. Smith and wf. have long res. in Mil. They have had their troubles, but are struggling onward with uncertain steps.

SMITH, John L., son of Stephen and Matilda (Kenney) Smith, gd. son of Benjamin and Betsey, and twin bro. of James L. Smith, who res. in Springfield, b. Aug. 12, 1832, Washington, N.H.; m. *Mary Miner*, dr. of Daniel and Mary (Youngman) Miner, b. in Lempster, N.H., March 2, 1835; cer. Lynn, Mass., May 15, 1856. Issue: —

Alta Marian, b. Unity, N.H., Dec. 16, 1859.

Lillian, b. Mil., Mass., July 6, 1862.

Mr. Smith came to res. in town June 1, 1851, and has remained continuously here ever since. He has employed himself successfully as a pedler of tin ware and kindred articles. An intelligent, orderly, and worthy family.

SMITH, Ira A.[4] (Ira,[3] Dr. Amos,[2] David[1]), b. Sandisfield, Dec. 19, 1840; mr.'s maiden name Lovina Hubbard; m. *Sarah Sumner Cook*, dr. of Amos and Sarah Davis (Hammond) Cook, b. Mil., July 17, 1842; cer. in Providence, R.I., Jan. 14, 1869, by Rev. Mr. Parker. Their chn.: —

Mary Brown, b. Dixon, Ill., Nov. 28, 1870; an adopted dr.

Weld Ira, b. Mil., May 16, 1878.

Orpha Brown, sister of Mary, the adopted dr., b. Feb. 20, 1860, lives in Mr. Smith's family, not as an adopted, but as a foster, dr. Mary and Orpha are chn. of Mr. Smith's sister. Mr. S. has res. transiently in Mich. and Ohio, but in this town mostly for the last 7 or 8 yrs. His occupation has been that of a bookseller. He is a zealous and devoted orthodox Congregationalist, and late rumor represents him as inclined to enter the ministry. Of this last I have no authority to speak definitely. He has a worthy wf. and family, who, I presume, are in cordial religious, as well as domestic, sympathy with him. His gt. gd. fr., David Smith, was the fourth settler in Sandisfield. His gd. fr., Amos Smith, M.D., was long a leading physician in Sandisfield. In his day the Presbyterian minister of Sandisfield owned a slave, the only one in town. Dr. Amos Smith was the first to oppose his minister's holding that slave. In doing so, he stood alone a few yrs., but at length won over to his side every man in the parish except the slave-holding parson. Those parishioners unanimously voted for the slave's liberation, but their clergyman obstinately held on to his human chattel!

SMITH, Frederick Edgar, son of Lewis and Eliza (Wilson) Smith, b. in Dover, Feb. 9, 1847; clerk and salesman; later manager of livery, etc., at Hopedale; m. *Ida Delmotte Albee*, dr. of Stephen and Harriet Newell (Scott) Albee, b. So. Mil., Oct. 10, 1848; cer. Hopedale, under the parental roof, May 28, 1872, by the writer. Issue: —

Stephen Frederick, b. Hopedale, July 30, 1873.

Henry Lewis, b. Hopedale, May 15, 1878.

Res. Hopedale. An intelligent, enterprising, and exemplary family.

SMITH, Rev. JOSEPH, ptge., ancestry, etc., not given, b. in Hampstead, N.H., Jan. 31, 1808; only a transient res. here; m. *Abigail Mellen Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Jan. 10, 1819; cer. in Providence, R.I., April 6, 1843, by Rev. Francis Wayland, D.D. Issue:—

FRANK L., b. Newport, R.I., Jan. 18, 1844; m. Ruth B. Wilmarth of No. Oxford.

ALBERT H., b. Newport, R.I., Sept. 22, 1845.

MARTHA A., b. Newport, R.I., Feb. 19, 1849.

HARRIS C., b. Grafton, Mass., Oct. 28, 1855.

GEORGE P., b. Worcester, Jan. 24, 1858.

Rev. Mr. Smith was successively pastor of Baptist churches in Newport, R.I., Woonsocket, Grafton, Mass., Worcester, and No. Oxford. He d. in No. Oxford, April 26, 1866. Mrs. Abbie, his wid., has res. much in Mil. since his decease. A most reputable family. Frank L., the eldest son, did valiant service in the late war during two terms of enlistment. Under his 1st enlistment, he rose, by promotion, from a private to be 1st lieut. He re-enlisted Jan. 2, 1864, and was honorably discharged in July, 1865, at the close of the war. He fought at Roanoke Island, N.C., Newbern, Kinston, Whitehall, Goldsboro', Port Walthall, Arrowfield, and in several other battles. He was principal of Mil. North Grammar School 5 yrs., and has since held the same position for the same length of time in the Bowditch Grammar School, in the city of Salem.

SMITH, Dr. EZRA A., son of John and Elvira (Hendee) Smith, b. in Pittsford, Vt., 1839; an enterprising botanic and clairvoyant physician; m. *Fannie Davis*, dr. of Samuel and Mary Davis, b. in Pittstown, N.Y., 1839; cer. in the Hopedale ch., Nov. 18, 1861, by the writer. No issue here. Mrs. Fannie Davis Smith was a widely-known and popular trance-speaker. She and her hus. were well known and esteemed here during their 5 or 6 yrs. of res. among us. They removed hence to Brandon, Vt., where they now dwell.

SNELL, ASA, and wf. *Elizabeth*, with chn. Henry and Sally, were among those warned out of town in 1791. They are said to have come from Hop., April 3, 1787, taken in by Michael Madden.

SNELL, BETSEY, was m. to *Benjamin Grover*, both said to be of Mil.; cer. Sept. 26, 1825, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. No more told.

SOULE, JUSTUS, son of James and Mary (Bradford) Soule, b. in Duxbury, Feb. 22, 1825; m. *Mary Ann Hayward*, dr. of Rev. Isaac and Polly (Fisher) Hayward, b. Nov. 11, 1830; cer. Ashland, Nov. 25, 1855, by Rev. William M. Thayer. No chn. Both members of the Hopedale Community. Mr. Soule came to Hopedale in Dec., 1853, remained several yrs., and d. here Feb. 12, 1859. Worthy persons. Mrs. Mary Ann survives, and until very recently res. at Hopedale.

SOULE, ISAIAH C., grocer, Main St., next to Mansion House. Been in town several yrs. No report from him of family record.

SOUTHWICK, ROYAL, son of Royal, a much-respected preacher in the Society of Friends at So. Uxbridge, and in that general vicinity; birth-date not ascertained; cloth-manufacturer in Medway, Lowell, Boston, etc.; never a permanent resident here, but m. *Direxa Claflin*, dr. of John Claflin, Esq., and Lydia (Mellen) his wf., b. Mil., Feb. 27, 1805; cer. Mil., March 7, 1827, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.:—

JOSEPHINE M., b. Dec. 15, 1827; m. James C. Ayer, Lowell, Nov. 14, 1850.

HENRY C., b. Oct. 12, 1829; m. Ellen D. Eames, June 1, 1854.

Royal, b. March 21, 1834.

John C., b. Dec. 2, 1835; m. Ella M. Clapp, Nov. 1, 1864.

Edward F., b. Oct. 27, 1837; d. Aug. 20, 1855.

Edna, b. April 19, 1841.

Of the social standing and respectability of this family I need not speak. It is well understood in the wide circle to whom they were known. The hus. and fr. d. in Sept., 1875. Mrs. Southwick, the wid. mr., survives, and, I think, res. in Boston.

SOUTHWICK, Pliny Buffum, son of Stephen and Mary (Wheeler) Southwick, was b. in Berlin, Sept. 7, 1823. His gd. fr. was David Southwick of So. Mendon; ancestry no further traced; m., 1st, *Mary Jane Hartwell*, dr. of Leonard and Abigail (Pierce) Hartwell, b. in Berlin, June 15, 1833; cer. in Berlin, Oct. 3, 1850, by the writer. Their chn.: —

George Milton, b. Hopedale, Jan. 4, 1857; m. and res. in Berlin.

Lilla M., b. Hopedale, May 19, 1860; res. with fr., Berlin.

Mary S., b. Hopedale, Aug. 29, 1866; res. with fr., Berlin.

Mr. Southwick became early interested in the temperance, anti-slavery, and other great moral reforms. He came to Hopedale with his wf. in 1855, and both subsequently entered the membership of the Hopedale Community. They resigned that membership in 1861, but continued their res. here till April, 1867. Meantime he kept the livery stable at Hopedale, and ran an express-coach between our village and the Centre. Just as he was nearly prepared to remove back to Berlin, his excellent and amiable wf. was suddenly stricken down, and d. April 4, 1867. Her remains were borne from our midst to Berlin, whither I repaired with the bereaved relatives, and ministered at her funeral. The hus. and chn. have ever since res. in Berlin. He subsequently m. his 2d wf. in that vicinity; but I regret not to have the names, dates, and particulars of that mge. at my command.

SOUTHWICK, Charles Brace, son of Calvin, ancestry not given; b. at Staten Island, N.Y., Dec. 27, 1836; m. *Adeline* (*Tombs*) *Knapp*, dr. of Lyman and Eleanor (Stearns) Tombs, b. in No. Bennington, Vt., May 3, 1833 (she having been legally divorced, for good cause, from Leonard B. Knapp, her former hus.); cer. in Hopedale, Jan. 1, 1867, by the writer. No issue. But Mr. Southwick became the kind step-father of his wf.'s two chn. by the former mge.; viz., —

Orson Silas Knapp, b. No. Bennington, Vt., Sept. 27, 1854; and

Jessie Ruth Knapp, b. No. Bennington, Vt., July 19, 1858.

Mr. Southwick was much respected in our village, and the new family connection seemed eminently auspicious for all concerned. But their fair prospects were ere long shrouded by a sad bereavement. Mr. S. d. July 16, 1873, a. 35 yrs. 6 mos. and 20 days. He was deeply lamented, and received honorable obsequies. Mrs. S. survives, res. still in Hopedale, and has her chn. with her.

Probably some other Southwicks have transiently dwelt within our town limits; but it is unnecessary to search for their names, as they must have been few at most.

SOUTHWORTH, William Steuben, son of Gustavus W. and Susan J. (Alden) Southworth, b. in Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17, 1849; m. *Ella Frances Emerson*, dr. of James and Sarah Ann (Whitcomb) Emerson, b. in Warner, N.H., Nov. 22, 1849; cer. in Lowell, Nov. 20, 1871, by Rev. C. D. Barrows. No chn. Persons of refinement and intellectual culture, modest, quiet, and unassuming in their deportment, and consequently of good

moral and social repute. They have res. in Hopedale since Aug., 1877. He is a judicious, capable, and much trusted business agent of George Draper & Sons.

SOWARD, EDMUND, pedigree untraced, b. Cambridge, Eng., March 20, 1803; came to Hopedale early in 1844, and became a valuable member of our Community. He was an excellent man, of high moral principle, intellectual culture, and literary taste. He was never m., but took a deep interest in the education and social welfare of the young. His health at length declined; he made his will, bequeathing most of his property to our Community in trust, to be expended in the culture and comfort of our chn. and youth; and then went to visit a beloved friend in Pulaski Co., Ky., hoping, if possible, to recruit his wasting energies. But consumption was upon him; and he d. there, Jan. 4, 1855. Let the young of Hopedale, while profiting by the "Soward Fund," not forget their benefactor.

SPARROW, ORLANDO F., pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Tamsin Whitney*, dr. of Jonathan and Lavina (Coombs) Whitney, b. Mil., July 8, 1807; cer. May 12, 1833, by Pearley Hunt, Esq. Issue b. here:—

DEBORAH MARIA, b. April 23, 1834.

PHILENA LAVINA, b. Aug. 22, 1836.

I understand the family removed to Sharon or vicinity.

SPAULDING, BENJAMIN HARTWELL[7] (Hosea,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Andrew,[3] Andrew,[2] Edward[1]), b. in Rome, Me., May 18, 1830; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Furbush of Rome, Me.; came to Mil. as early as 1860; manufacturer of straw goods, in which line he is now eminent, employing 400 hands and much machinery. He m., 1st, *Elvira Cordelia Corney* of Foxborough, Mass., Dec. 15, 1853, who d. in Mil., July 13, 1864. He m., 2d, *Elvira Daniels Ballou* of Mil., a gt. niece of the writer. She was a dr. of Cyrus and Laura A. (Follett) Ballou, b. in Hopkinton, June 12, 1840. They were m. Oct. 24, 1865; cer. by the writer. They have as yet but one son:—

HARTWELL B., b. Mil., Oct. 11, 1870.

SPAULDING, ISAIAH REDDINGTON, bro. of Benjamin H., whose lineal succession and parentage, being the same, need not be repeated; b. in Rome, Me., July 21, 1837; m. *Mary Elizabeth Bird* of Foxborough, Mass., Nov. 27, 1856; came to Mil. 1860 or 1861 as a straw worker, and is now a salesman. Chn.:—

ELLA FRANCES, b. Foxborough, July 31, 1860.

HERBERT REDDINGTON, b. Up., Aug. 9, 1862.

ETTA BELL, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1866; d. Nov. 29, 1866.

SPAULDING, ERI JONATHAN[7] (Abel,[6] Benjamin,[5] Isaac,[4] Andrew,[3] Andrew,[2] Edward[1]), b. Jaffrey, N.H., Oct. 17, 1821. Stair-builder, etc.; res. here in 1869 to 1872, but soon left town. Also JOSIAH RUSSELL SPAULDING, from Greenfield, N.H., was here temporarily about the same time, but removed hence. Perhaps one or two others of the name are found in the Directory for 1869. But these were too transient dwellers for further specification. See "Spalding Memorial," a full and lucid genealogy, "by Samuel J. Spalding of Newburyport, Mass."

SPALDING, ASAPH GAYLORD[8] (Asaph,[7] Amasa,[6] John,[5] Ephraim,[4] Edward,[3] Benjamin,[2] Edward[1]), b. July 27, 1817, in Elmore, Vt.; mr.'s maiden name Nancy Gaylord of Hartland, Vt.; came to Mil. 1843, and soon after joined the Community at Hopedale; printer, and occasional writer for the periodical press; had charge of the printing and publishing department at Hope-

dale for several yrs.; m. *Abbie Jackman* of Newbury, Mass., b. in that town, cer. Nov. 24, 1846, by Horatio Merrill, Esq. Their only child was:—

ELLA MINERVA, b. Hopedale, Dec. 4, 1847; d. Jan. 2, 1848.

They removed West, and set. in Anoka, Minn. Latterly his health has much broken down, and his mind become sadly impaired.

SPALDING, RHODOLPHUS, a younger bro. of Asaph G., was transiently res. some time at Hopedale, but set. in Philadelphia, Pa.

SPEAR, ERASTUS, pedigree untraced; m., 1st, *Jane L. Chapin*, dr. of Eli and Libby (Thayer) Chapin, b. Mil., Jan. 30, 1811; cer. April 7, 1835, by Rev. D. Long. Mrs. Jane d. Nov. 11, 1836. The hus. m., 2d, *Maria Parnell*, pedigree untraced; cer. Nov. 29, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

MELVILLE AUGUSTUS, b. 1839.

AMELIA RUSSELL, b. 1840.

HENRY MELLVILLE, b. July 4, 1841.

FREDERICK O., b. May 22, 1843.

Family no further traced.

SPEAR, BENJAMIN, son of Joseph and Sally Spear, birth-date not ascertained; m. *Helen M. Davenport*, dr. of Isaac and Sarah (Howard) Davenport; cer. at Hopedale, Sept. 27, 1846, by the writer. No issue, I think. Mr. S. broke down mentally as well as physically, and finally d. at the Worcester Insane Hospital in Oct., 1859. Mrs. Helen, his wid., subsequently m. James Fletcher, whose wid. she now is. She res. on Walnut St.

SPINDEL, Rev. NATHANIEL, son of Manuel and Bethiah (Perkins) Spindel, b. in Dennis, on Cape Cod, July 6, 1808; m. *Roxana Dean*, dr. of Abel and Mehetabel Dean, b. in Taunton, Oct. 27, 1804; cer. in Rehoboth, Nov. 29, 1832, by Benjamin McLoth. Their chn.:—

NATHANIEL, Jun., b. Taunton, date not given; m. Emily Quimby, 1854.

STEPHEN, b. Middleborough, date not given; res. in Nevada.

ALMIRA O., b. Mil., date not given; m. Ebenezer A. Love; both now decd.

Manuel Spindel was b. in the West Indies, followed the seas for many yrs., and finally made his family home in Dennis. Nathaniel embraced religion young, among the Methodists, and commenced preaching in connection with them at the a. of 17 yrs. After some yrs. he joined the Free-will Baptists, and continued his ministry on a more independent platform. More than 40 yrs. ago, he preached a while in No. Purchase Methodist Meeting-house. Next, he pursued his ministry in various other places till 1850. Then he returned to No. Purchase, and continued there for the remainder of his days. He preached more or less, ministered at funerals, and solemnized marriages, meantime laboring industriously for a subsistence. He had an active, vigorous mind, which became more and more enlarged with faith, hope, and charity, till it embraced the broadest views of God's purposes and of human destiny. He so walked with God and men as to win from all that knew him a voluntary testimony to his uprightness and saintliness. The specific cause of his dissolution was a malignant fever-sore. He suffered much from this sore in early manhood; but it healed over, and remained quiet for many yrs. As old age came on, it broke out anew, and became increasingly aggravated, till at length it terminated his earthly life, June 19, 1879, a. 70 yrs. and 11 mos. He departed in sweet peace, resignation, and hope of immortal blessedness; leaving a request that I should minister at his funeral. Accordingly I had the privilege of doing so. He left a worthy wid., two sons, and 11 gd. chn. His youngest son, Stephen, res. in Nevada, having there a wf. and several chn. His eldest son, Nathaniel, jun.,

res. on Isaac C. Haven's place, far up Haven St., towards Hop., where, also, his fr. d. He has there a wf. and 8 chn. I expected to have recd. his family record in detail, but it has not come to hand. Almira O., the dr., m. Ebenezer A. Love in 1859; and they had a son:—

STEPHEN S. LOVE, b. Dec. 14, 1859; his parents both d., and he was brought up with his grand-parents in Mil. He d. Sept. 14, 1879, in his 20th yr.

SPOFFORD, ADONIRAM JUDSON, son of Isaac G. and Lovicy (Whitman) Spofford, b. in Bethel, Me., Oct. 5, 1838; m. *Sarah Jane Whipple*, dr. of Amos and Sally Whipple, b. in Ledyard, Ct., May 30, 1842; cer. Ledyard, Ct., Nov. 29, 1862, by Rev. Timothy Tuttle. Issue:—

SARAH MABEL, b. Hopedale, Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. Spofford have res. in Hopedale over 20 yrs. A worthy and respected family. Mr. S. was formerly a farmer, and had the management of E. D. Draper's agricultural affairs for several yrs. Afterwards he was employed in the partial oversight of the Hopedale boarding-house, kept by Mrs. Sally Whipple, his mother-in-law. He is now actively engaged in the sale of sewing-machines, etc.

SPRAGUE, JOHN, was one of the old Mendon proprietors. He lived and d. on a homestead in the extreme south-west corner of our territory, originally laid out to John Bartlett, of whom Sprague purchased it. It contained 20 acres, and was laid out to Bartlett in 1670. It was bounded easterly by a line of marked trees, a little distance from the Alby mill-pond; northerly by marked trees on common; westerly on common in part, and in part on a way leading from Mendon town to the Alby corn-mill, which way, in the main, became the turnpike; and southerly on common. John Sprague's domicile was at or near the Wing Kelley house, so called in our day. He was a considerable landholder in Mendon and present Mil. By researches in Suffolk Registry of Probate, I found the wills of his fr. and himself. From these I ascertained several genealogical facts otherwise unobtainable. His fr. was William Sprague of Hingham, his mr.'s name Millicent, and he had the following-named bros. and sisters: Anthony, Samuel, William, Jonathan, Persis, wf. of John Dagget; Johanna, wf. of Caleb Church; and Mary, wf. of Thomas King. John Sprague's will bears date Sept. 14, 1683, and was proved Nov. 2 ensuing. It shows that his wf. *Elizabeth* was a dr. of William Holbrook, that he had the forenamed bros., that he had chn., John, William, Ebenezer, Elizabeth, Hannah, Millicent, and Persis, and that none of the sons were then of age. Elizabeth, the mr., was made sole executor. The hus. and fr. d. Oct. 6, 1683. Nothing further concerning Mrs. Elizabeth. No birth-dates ascertained.

SPRAGUE, WILLIAM, son of John and Elizabeth (Holbrook) Sprague, inherited the paternal homestead, and other parcels of land on our territory. He m., 1st, *Hannah* ——. They had,—

HANNAH, b. Dec. 21, 1712.

JOHN, b. March 28, 1714.

MARGARET, b. May 14, 1716.

PERSIS, b. July 24, 1718.

WILLIAM, b. Aug. 5, 1719.

Mrs. Hannah d.; and the hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Warfield*, Nov. 4, 1731. Prob. no chn. I infer from the probate of his will in Worcester, that William Sprague d. in 1751. He had previously endowed his sons, John and William, jun., with liberal gifts of real estate. His dr. Margaret m. a Mr. Colwell, and

Persis, a Mr. Waterman. Wid. Sarah survived, comfortably provided for. John sole executor.

SPRAGUE, JOHN[4] (William,[3] John,[2] William[1]), b. March 28, 1714; m. *wid. Hannah White*, pedigree untraced; cer. March 28, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. But I find no account of issue, though there may have been.

SPRAGUE, WILLIAM, Jun.[4] (William,[3] John,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 15, 1719; m. *Margaret Cheney*, pedigree untraced; cer. May, 1748, where and by whom to me unknown. They dwelt in our Precinct, and prob. on inherited patrimonial lands. Their chn. were bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost as follows:—

JAMES, b. March 16, 1750; bap. Nov. 18, 1750; m. Mary Bartlett of Newton, Nov. 18, 1779.

HANNAH, bap. Oct. 7, 1753.

SARAH, bap. Oct. 9, 1757.

WILLIAM, bap. Oct. 7, 1759.

RUTH, bap. June 6, 1762.

Here I lose track of this lineage. I suspect that they may have emigrated to some neighboring or more distant locality.

SPRAGUE, JOSEPH, and wf. *Martha*, pedigrees untraced, res. on our territory, or in Mendon adjacent. They had, —

JOSEPH, b. May 17, 1738.

MARTHA, b. Aug. 26, 1740.

JONATHAN, b. Aug. 10, 1742.

SARAH, b. Feb. 24, 1745.

No more told of them.

SPRAGUE, WILLIAM, from Uxbridge, pedigree, etc., untraced; m. *Lydia Brown Keith*, dr. of Nathan and Mary (Kimball) Keith, b. Sept. 14, 1810; cer. Aug. 24, 1834, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

SALEM, b. Mil., Dec. 30, 1835; untraced.

NATHAN KEITH, b. Mil., Sept. 11, 1838; carpenter; res. in town, actively employed.

JULIA C., b. Mil., April 4, 1840; d. July 16 ensuing.

Mr. Sprague was an industrious carpenter and orderly citizen. He d. some yrs. ago. His worthy wid. survives, and dwells at 18 Jefferson St. No report from this family left me imperfectly informed as to their record.

SPRAGUE, WILLIAM N., bootmaker, is mentioned in Directory 1856.

SPRAGUE, BERNARDO, carpenter, etc., appears in directories 1872, '75, '78.

SPRAGUE, CHARLES S., farmer, appears in Directory 1872.

SQUIER, SILAS PRATT, carpenter and undertaker, son of Solomon and Lovica (Pratt) Squier, b. in Sutton, Province of Quebec, L.C., May 28, 1828; m. *Sarah Jane Ball*, dr. of Henry and Betsey (Lincoln) Ball, b. Mil., April 23, 1833; cer. Mil., Oct. 1, 1851, by Rev. Lorenzo Bolles. Issue:—

ADA ETHELIN, b. Sutton, Prov. Quebec, July 16, 1852.

BETSEY LOVICA, b. Sutton, Prov. Quebec, Sept. 28, 1854; m. George Clarence Fisher.

FRANCIS HENRY, b. Mil., Mass., Nov. 15, 1856.

LUELLA JANE, b. Westborough, Mass., Oct. 11, 1858.

CHARLIE EDGAR, b. Westborough, Mass., Oct. 21, 1860; d. June 19, 1864.

ANNIE LIZZIE, b. Westborough, Mass., April 22, 1863; d. March 31, 1865.

NELLIE ALZINA, b. Westborough, Mass., March 20, 1865.

Grandchn.:—

Sadie May Fisher, b. Westborough, May 23, 1873.
Ernest Winefred Fisher, b. Westborough, Dec. 21, 1874.
Annie Roberta Fisher, b. Westborough, Aug. 26, 1876.
Stella Ethelin Fisher, b. Westborough, Oct. 22, 1877; d. Feb. 24, 1878.
Charles Emmons Fisher, b. Westborough, March 29, 1880.
Res. Mil., Sutton, Prov. Quebec, and Westborough, Mass.

SQUIRE, ORLANDO JULIAN, straw-worker, son of Solomon A. and Amanda (Neville) Squire, b. Worcester, 1855; m. *Mary Penelope Read*, dr. of William F. and Eliza K. (King) Read, b. Mil., 1856; cer. Hopedale, June 21, 1881, by the writer.

SQUIRE, SOLOMON A., and *Amanda* (*Neville*), his wf., the parents of Orlando J., must have come into town as many as 16 yrs. ago; for the fr.'s name stands in the Directory of 1872: and my funeral record shows that I ministered at the obsequies of their inft. dr., Mary Elizabeth, Dec. 19, 1864. I see that Mrs. Solomon A.'s name appears in our Directory for 1880. Also the name of Etta L. Squire, at straw-works, who, I presume, is a dr. No report of family record to enable me to give more definite information.

STACY, Rev. GEORGE WHITTEMORE, son of Philemon and Polly (Bray, Edgily) Stacy, b. in Boston, March 13, 1809; ancestry no further ascertained; m., 1st, *Sarah Boit*, dr. of John and Rebecca (Weston) Boit, b. in Groton, 1809; cer. in Groton, Jan. 18, 1830, by Rev. Charles Robinson. Issue:—

MARY E., b. Groton, May 9, 1830; d. June 7, 1832.
MARY FRANCES, b. Groton, Oct. 20, 1832; d. March 30, 1833.
GEORGE E., b. Mendon, May 7, 1834; unm., printer, res. with his fr. Mil.

Mrs. Sarah, the 1st wf. and mr., d. in Mendon, May 25, 1834, a. 25 yrs. and 27 days. The hus. m., 2d, *Sarah Kelley*, dr. of Wing and Mary (Gaskill) Kelley, b. Mil., June 12, 1804; cer. under the parental roof, in the extreme south-west part of Mil., Oct. 16, 1834, by the writer. Issue:—

SARAH E., b. Boston, 1835; d. in Carlisle an infant.
THEODORE EDWIN, b. Carlisle, Feb. 3, 1837; m., 1st, Adelaide Vant; 2d, Elmira Phipps; 3d, Clara D. Stevens.
EDMUND QUINCY, b. Carlisle, date not given; d. Carlisle, an infant.
WENDELL PHILLIPS, b. Boston, June, 1839; d. Boylston, Sept. 14, 1840, a. 14 mos.
CAROLINE, b. Boylston, Sept. 15, 1841; res. with parents in Mil.
One grandchild; viz.,—
Theodore Edwin Stacy, jun., son of Theodore E. and Clara D. (Stevens) Stacy, b. in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 26, 1867.

Mr. Stacy has had a somewhat eventful and remarkable life. He was the youngest of 7 chn. The following is the parental record:—

PHILEMON STACY, the fr., was b. July 22, 1772; d. June 13, 1813.
POLLY STACY, the mr., was b. March 14, 1772; d. Feb. 16, 1845.

They were m. in Gloucester, Nov. 27, 1796, by Rev. Daniel Fuller. Issue:—

ABIGAIL BRAY, b. Boston, May 8, 1797; d. Feb. 9, 1860.
PHILEMON, b. Boston, March 1, 1798; d. July 23, 1829.
WILLIAM R., b. Boston, July 9, 1800.
MARY, b. Boston, Sept. 30, 1802.
NANCY, b. Boston, Oct. 27, 1804.
MARTHA B., b. Boston, Jan. 10, 1807; m. a Mr. Porter.
GEORGE WHITTEMORE, b. Boston, March 13, 1809.

How many of the bros. and sisters were m. and had chn., or now survive, I am not informed.

It will be seen that George Whittemore's fr. d. June 13, 1813, while he was only a little way in his 5th yr. His mr. was an energetic woman, but had a responsible widow's lot to provide for her flock. George was let out as an errand-boy to earn what he could, and necessarily deprived of many school advantages. Fortunately, at the age of 14 yrs., he went into the printing-office of Dutton & Wentworth, then of much distinction in Boston, where he learnt his trade, and partially made up for his lack of common education. He became a regular attendant on Rev. Paul Dean's ministry, and, I think, a member of his ch. In 1829 he formed a connection with a young Mr. Rogers; and they commenced the publication of a weekly newspaper in Groton, entitled "The Groton Herald." This was unsuccessful; and in 1830 he entered into co-partnership with the writer, under the firm title of "Ballou & Stacy." This brought him to Mil., where the printing establishment remained till 1831. Then it was removed to Mendon. This was in the era of the Restorationist secession from the Universalists, when "The Independent Messenger" was first published by me, as the organ of the Independent Restorationists. Mr. Stacy took a warm interest with us, and a few yrs. later studied for the ministry with Rev. Paul Dean. He was soon after ordained by our Association, and became one of our active preachers. In 1836 he was installed, by a union council of Restorationists and Unitarians, as pastor of the First ch. and congregation in Carlisle, where he remained several yrs. While there the town of Carlisle, in 1837, sent him representative to the Gen. Court. This was the yr. when Gov. Edward Everett recommended that abolitionists should be indicted at common law as disturbers of the peace. Mr. Stacy was one of the early, outspoken, uncompromising abolitionists, and had a chance to bear testimony in their behalf inside the Legislature, as well as outside. He was afterwards minister, for longer or shorter periods, of several liberal Christian societies; viz., in Boylston, Gardner, etc. When the Community movement commenced, which resulted in the experiment at Hopedale, he espoused it with lively interest and zeal, and was among its original members; removed to Hopedale, had charge of the printing department, which published "The Practical Christian" and numerous tracts; but, in 1846, became dissatisfied with Community operations, resigned his membership, removed soon after to Milford Centre, opened his printing and stationery establishment, entered on a career of business prosperity, and has remained there ever since. In 1867 the town sent him representative to Gen. Court, and has since honored him with various offices of less distinction. He has been a stanch temperance reformer, and is a practical devotee of free speech and pen on all the questions of the age. He is sometimes sharp in uttering his convictions respecting opinions, men, measures, and practices that seem to him censurable, and takes little pains to conciliate his offended opponents. But he has his merits; and, if he eschews man-pleasing at what he deems a sacrifice of principle, those whom he displeases must exercise their own freedom in return, and leave judgment to the Final Arbiter. He has a worthy wf. and chn., — the few that survive, — and enjoys a reasonable amount of domestic happiness. He began life poor, but has attained to pecuniary circumstances of ample competence and comfort.

STACY, GEORGE E., son of Rev. George W. and Sarah (Boit) Stacy, b. Mendon, May 7, 1834, has thus far remained a bachelor. He grew up a printer under his fr., is proficient in his art, and has always continued in his fr.'s office and family. He is a much respected member of the Masonic fraternity, in which he has held important official positions, and also as a citizen

of the town, on whose school-board he served several yrs. to general satisfaction, besides holding other less conspicuous offices.

STACY, THEODORE EDWIN, son of Rev. George W. and Sarah (Kelly) Stacy, b. in Carlisle, Feb. 3, 1837; is by no means inclined to celibacy; he m., 1st, *Adelaide Victoria Vant*, dr. of Artemas B. and Izanna E. (Parkhurst) Vant, b. Mil., June 26, 1838; cer. Feb. 3, 1859, by Rev. G. W. Stacy. No chn. Mrs. Adelaide d. Aug. 30, 1859. The hus. m., 2d, *Elmira Phipps* of South Framingham, Jan. 2, 1864; no other particulars given. Mrs. Elmira d. in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 18, 1864. The hus. m., 3d, *Clara D. Stevens*, b. in Richland, Mich., July 5, 1843; cer. Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2, 1865, by Rev. Robert Collyer. Issue: —

THEODORE EDWIN, Jun., b. Chicago, Ill., Oct. 26, 1867. I get no particulars, but presume Theodore and family are prospering in Chicago.

STACY, CAROLINE, as yet remains a worthy and respected maiden with her parents.

STACY, JONATHAN C., cobbler, h. West, near Cross St., is mentioned in Directory, 1869.

STACY, JOSEPH W., clerk, 78 Main, bds. 28 Pearl St. Directory, 1869.

STACY, HENRY F., bootmaker; h. So. Bow, near Main St. 1872, '75, 78, etc.

STACY, ELMER F., boot-finisher; perhaps son of Henry F., bds. H. F. Stacy's, So. Main St., 1880.

None of these have reported to me their family records.

STANBURY, JOSEPH, and wf. *Rebecca*, from Medway, were among those warned out of town in 1791. They came hither in 1787; taken in by Joseph Gibbs. No more told.

STANFORD, JOEL, ancestry untraced; b. in New Hampshire, town unknown to me; m. *Phila Wiswall*, youngest dr. of Timothy and Diadama (Daniels) Wiswall, b. Aug. 4, 1791; cer. Aug. 8, 1811, by Rev. David Long. Their chn.: —

JOEL LAWYER, b. Jan. 11, 1811; m. Hannah Kilburn, June 28, 1837.

JOANNA, b. Dec. 28, 1813; m. Noah P. Wright, 1831; res. Keene, N.H.

I suppose this family res. near Timothy Wiswall's, and that Mr. Stanford was a farm laborer. However this may have been, his stay on earth was brief; for he d. Jan. 2, 1816, a. 26 yrs. His wid. survived many years, built a house on a section of her father's estate, and d. Jan. 23, 1851, a. 59 yrs. 5 mos. and 19 ds.

STANFORD, JOEL LAWYER, son of the forenamed Joel and Phila (Wiswall) Stanford, b. Jan. 9, 1811; m. *Hannah Kilburn*, dr. of Otis and Catharine M. (Albee) Kilburn, b. June 28, 1818; cer. June 28, 1837, by Rev. D. Long. Their only child, —

AMANDA MARIA, b. Sept. 3, 1840; res. with her parents.

Mr. Stanford is an honest, hard-working, plain-living man, with a wf. of corresponding character. They res. on Main St. (E.), just beyond the junction of Cedar with Main. His father took a fancy to give him the name Lawyer; but, on growing up to manhood, he himself got legal sanction for adding Joel, that of his father. He employs himself at farming and various incidental jobbing, as opportunity offers.

STAPLES. Considering the commonness of this name in Mendon, it is rather remarkable that those who bear it have been so few in Mil. Besides transient sojourners, I recollect only two or three of the name who have domiciliated themselves among us; and, at the present time, only a single family in

the male line seems to have permanent inhabitancy on our territory. In mother Mendon the Stapleses were ancient and numerous. Their immigrant ancestor was John Staple, who set. in now No. Weymouth, about the year 1636. Among his chn. was "Sergeant Abraham Staples," famous in the annals of Mendon as one of its original and influential proprietors. From him have descended all the Stapleses in this general vicinity. Whoever would become acquainted with his history and lineage, may do so by consulting a very able and interesting pamphlet, entitled "Proceedings at the Dedication of a Monument to Sergeant Abraham Staples of Mendon, Mass., Oct. 31, 1877." This pamphlet contains an "Introductory Address" by Hon. Hamilton B. Staples, and a "Historical Address" by Rev. Carlton A. Staples, — two descendants of the said Abraham, honorably disposed and competent to commemorate his worth. It is not pertinent in this volume to go into the details of those addresses, and I therefore content myself with a mere reference to them. The story and glory of "Sergeant Abraham" and his progeny belongs mainly to Mendon.

STAPLES, WILLIAM HENRY[9] (George,[8] Abijah,[7] George,[6] Abraham,[5] Abraham,[4] Abraham,[3] Abraham,[2] John[1]), b. in Mendon, Nov. 1, 1829; mr.'s maiden name Eliza Ann Wheelock; m. *Lydia Ann Legg*, dr. of Caleb and Lydia (Batcheller) Legg, b. in Smithfield, R.I., Nov. 4, 1830; cer. Mil., Oct. 17, 1850, by Rev. Mr. Ainsworth. Issue:—

SARAH ELIZA, b. Mil., April 5, 1854; m. Albert Warren Shedd, July 19, 1872.
WILLIE ERNEST, b. Mil., Dec. 23, 1865.

One gd. child; viz., Albert Linwood Shedd, son of Albert W. and Sarah E. (Staples) Shedd, b. Sept. 12, 1873.

A reputable and worthy family. Mr. S. must have res. in town some 30 yrs. or more. He has long been a faithful and trusted bread-cart driver in the employ of our enterprising baker, Stephen Mathewson. He is an orderly, peaceable citizen, who minds his own business.

STAPLES, Hon. HAMILTON BARCLAY[8] (Welcome,[7] George,[6] Abraham,[5] Abraham,[4] Abraham,[3] Abraham,[2] John[1]), b. Mendon, Feb. 14, 1829; mr.'s maiden name Sukey Staples; fitted for college, and grad. from B. U., 1851; stud. law with the late Chief Justice Ames of Providence, R.I., and Hon. Peter C. Bacon of Worcester; was admitted to the bar at the April term of S. J. Ct. at Worcester, 1854, and commenced practice in this town in 1855, as law-partner with Gen. A. B. Underwood, continuing to res. here until 1869. During the latter part of his res. in Mil. he had a law-office in Boston. In April, 1869, he removed to Worcester, and formed a law-partnership with F. P. Goulding, Esq., of which for 3 yrs. W. F. Slocum, Esq., of Boston was also a member. Messrs. Staples and Goulding continued in partnership till Jan., 1881. Meantime, in Jan., 1874, Mr. S. was appointed district-attorney of the Middle Criminal Law District to fill a vacancy, which position he subsequently held by election of the people. He has been creditably concerned in several notable criminal trials in our county, such as the Frost, Hayden, and Grafton Bank cases, besides important civil suits. He has been a member of Worcester common council, trustee of the city hospital, etc. His literary tastes, pursuits, and performances have given him a respectable standing; and several of his public addresses have been printed. He is much interested in antiquarian researches, and is a member of the American Antiquarian Society. The foregoing was scarcely dry on the page, when the public press announced that Mr. S. had been honored with an elevation to the bench, as one of the

judges of the superior court, his commission bearing date Feb. 16, 1881. He has been twice m., but without offspring thus far. He m., 1st, *Elizabeth A.* (*Carshore*) *Godfrey*, wid. of David Stearns Godfrey; cer. in Mendon, at the res. of Benjamin Davenport, Esq., whose wf. was mr. of the bride, June 15, 1858, by Rev. Mr. Barber, assisted by the writer. Mrs. Elizabeth d. in this town, July 1, 1867. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Clinton Dewey*, dr. of Hon. Charles A. Dewey, for 30 yrs. judge of the Supreme Judicial Court, and Caroline H. (Clinton) Dewey, a sister of Hon. De Witt Clinton; cer. in the parental mansion at Northampton, the natal home of the bride, Oct. 8, 1868, by Rev. W. S. Leavitt.

A few others of the Staples lineage have transiently dwelt in town.

STEARNS. Bond, the eminent Watertown historian and genealogist, says that the original family name is Sterne, which still prevails in Eng. In this country it has been variously written Stern, Sternes, Starns, and Stearns. The latter is now generally prevalent. He further states as prob., that all the families of this name in the U. S. are descendants from three early immigrants; viz., Isaac, Charles, and Nathaniel. It is supposed that they were near kinsmen. Isaac and Charles set. in Watertown, Nathaniel in Dedham I know none in this town at present bearing the name Stearns, but formerly there were several families. We have female descendants from those families, and doubtless there are males in the neighboring towns. Elsewhere throughout the country they are numerous. I must confine myself mainly to those once res. on our territory. These appear to have been descendants of Charles, who was made freeman in Wat., May 6, 1642. His 1st wf., Hannah, d. in 1651. His 2d was Rebecca Gibson, to whom he was m. June 22, 1654. Among his chn. was a son John, who also had two wives. His 1st was Judith Lawrence, and his 2d Mary Norcross, to whom he was m. April 2, 1713. Their chn. were Rebecca, Judith, Sarah, George, Benjamin, John, Thomas, Daniel, Isaac, Mary, Abigail, and Charles. George m. Hannah Sanderson of the W. Precinct, Wat. He was of the 1st wf.'s chn., b. in 1688, m. Oct. 23, 1712, and d. June 26, 1760. His wid. d. May 21, 1770. Their chn. were Jonathan, Abigail, Judith, David, Hannah, Lydia, John, and Daniel. (See "Bond's Watertown.") This brings us to our own locality.

STEARNS, JONATHAN[4] (George,[3] John,[2] Charles[1]), b. Wat., Dec. 26, 1713; m. *Beulah Chadwick* of Weston, Feb. 27, 1736–7. She was a dr. of Ebenezer and Abigail (Grant) Chadwick, b. Oct. 14, 1719. He purchased a farm of one Samuel Stratton, in the No. Purchase, adjacent to Josiah Ball, containing about 67 acs. I find the deed dated Feb. 12, 1736–7, which seems to have been a few days before his mge. If I am not under a mistake, this est. must, at least in part, be the same occupied within my memory by Dea. Edmund Bowker, who m. into the family. Stearns prob. took possession soon after the purchase. Afterwards, from time to time, he added largely to his landed est., as is evident from numerous deeds on record. He must have been a man of considerable enterprise and thrift, and his wf. an efficient helpmeet. Their chn. were, —

JONATHAN, b. Aug. 26, 1737; d. young.

BEULAH, b. March 7, 1739; m., 1st, name not given; 2d, Zedekiah Davey; 3d, John Ashley.

GEORGE, b. April 16, 1741; emigrated; descendants in Conway, etc.

LYDIA, b. Feb. 27, 1743; m. Ichabod Marshall, and emigrated to Vt.

EBENEZER, b. Jan. 26, 1745; set. in Upton; descdts. scattered widely.

ABIJAH, b. March 8, 1747; d. in the Revolutionary army.

DAVID, b. Feb. 24, 1749; one of our own respected citizens. See in place.

JOHN, b. April 30, 1751; emigrated to Lee, and finally to Brunswick, O.

MARY, b. Feb. 6, 1753; m. Nahum Clark, Holl., July 9, 1772.

HANNAH, b. Jan. 30, 1755; m. Edmund Bowker, Hop.; long res. Mil.

ABRAHAM, b. April 2, 1757; emigrated to Chesterfield, N.H.

JONATHAN, b. Jan. 10, 1759; posthumous; desedts. Hop., St. Louis, Mo., etc.

The fr. d. late in 1758, a little before the birth of his last child. His wid. administered on his est., and was appointed guardian of two chn. She afterwards m. James Battle from Holl., May 8, 1766; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She d., after a short illness, March 31, 1804, in her 85th yr. George Stearns m. Keziah Palmer, Oct. 29, 1765; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. They soon left these parts. I have not inquired into Ebenezer's mge. and progeny, which may be learned from Upton records; nor into John's, who emigrated hence. Abraham m. Esther Warren of his native vicinity, May 31, 1780: cer. by Rev. A. Frost. He set. in Chesterfield, N.H. Jonathan m. Hannah Thayer, the eldest dr. of Col. Ichabod and Mary (Marsh) Thayer, May 1, 1783: cer. by Rev. A. Frost. He seems to have set. in Hop., where he reared a large family that scattered abroad. David, always a prominent citizen of Mil. during his active life, deserves a more conspicuous and ample report.

STEARNS, Lieut. DAVID[5] (Jonathan,[4] George,[3] John,[2] Charles[1]), b. Feb. 24, 1749: m., 1st, *Dinah Bullard*, dr. of Benjamin and Judith (Hill) Bullard, May 31, 1770; and 2d, wid. *Joanna Adams* of Braintree, April 29, 1790; cer. in both cases by Rev. A. Frost. His 1st wf. was b. in 1746, and d. childless, Oct. 23, 1789. His chn. by 2d wf. were, —

NANCY, b. March 1, 1791; m. William Godfrey, Nov. 30, 1809.

EMILY, b. Jan. 14, 1793; m. Samuel L. Scammell, Oct. 10, 1811.

JOANNA, b. Dec. 24, 1794; m. John C. Scammell, Dec. 25, 1815.

SALLY, b. Nov. 14, 1796; m. Moses Adams, Jan. 4, 1820.

There were no male chn. Mr. Stearns inherited the parental ability and thrift. He commenced business as a farmer in No. Purchase; after a time bought of Capt. Samuel Warren the place since owned by Andrew Bagley on Eben St., then much larger than now. Later he made a swap of real est. with Ebenezer Sumner, elder bro. of Darius, whereby Mr. Sumner took possession of the No. Purchase farm, and he planted himself on the old Sumner est., at and around the mill-seat, afterwards occupied by the Parkhursts. Not long after establishing himself on his new premises, he sold off portions to enterprising applicants, but still retained an ample farm. Pearley Hunt purchased the ancient Sumner house, opened a variety store, and ere long erected a family mansion on the opposite side of the street, the site of which had been bought of Stearns. He sold a part or all the mill-privilege to Nathan Parkhurst, and perhaps other small parcels to different persons. Thus he improved his advantages, and became, for his day, a man of wealth, with plenty of money to lend. He enjoyed the confidence of his townsmen, was often elected to their most responsible offices, and represented them several times in Gen. Court. He d. June 28, 1826; and his wid., Feb. 14, 1843.

STEARNS, JONATHAN[5] (Jonathan,[4] George,[3] John,[2] Charles[1]), b. after the death of his fr., June 10, 1759; m. *Hannah Thayer*, as before stated, May 1, 1783. Before he set. in Hop., our records show that he and his wf. had one child born here; viz., —

MARY, Feb. 8, 1784.

In Hop. they had 11 or 12 more born, as I am credibly informed. I have not examined the Hop. records to ascertain their names and birth-dates. At least three of them became inhabitants of this town, for a few years each, and have a partial record here; viz., *David*, *Jonathan*, and *John*. I will give their record, so far as it goes.

STEARNS, DAVID, 2d; m. *Lydia*, dr. of Edmund and Hannah (Stearns) Bowker, his cousin, Jan. 23, 1811; cer. by Rev. D. Long. He was then said to be of Chesterfield, N.H., prob. because res. there when published. But he soon domiciliated his family here. He and his wf. lived but a few years, leaving only a single child:—

MARY ANN, b. ——; brot. up at Samuel Day's, and m. S. A. Vant.

The fr. d. Sept. 21, 1817; the mr. d. Aug. 11, 1818.

STEARNS, JONATHAN, m. *Lucy Tuttle* of Fitchburg; pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. Feb., 1818. Their chn. in this town were, —

AUGUSTUS THAYER, b. Feb. 28, 1818.

JOSEPH TUTTLE, b. June 23, 1824.

CHARLES RUSSELL, b. June 25, 1827.

During the yr. 1827 this family removed to the West. No further traced.

STEARNS, JOHN, m. *Abigail Legg* of Uxbridge; pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. Feb., 1822. They had one child born here, —

LATEN LEGG, b. April 3, 1823.

They soon removed to some locality in the West. No further traced. It will be understood how these 3 bros., sons of Jonathan of Hop. and his wf. Hannah (Thayer), are connected lineally with Charles[1] of Watertown by attending to preceding statements.

STETSON, JAMES OLIVER, b. in E. Bridgewater, Dec. 1, 1803; his wf., *Salome*, b. in W. Bridgewater, Nov. 17, 1807, and their son JAMES MAYNARD STETSON, b. W. Bridgewater, March 1, 1847, res. at Hopedale as probationers from 1854 to 1856. They returned to W. Bridgewater whence they came, and Mr. S. soon after d. Worthy people. I have heard nothing from the family for several yrs.

STIMPSON, WILLIAM, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Sutton) Stimpson, b. in Southampton, Eng., May 25, 1827; m. *Jane Davis*, dr. of Andrew and Ann (Crawford) Davis, b. in St. John, N.B., Sept. 10, 1825; cer. in Boston, Oct. 4, 1848, by Rev. Mr. Higginson, Methodist. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM DAVIS, b. Hopedale, Aug. 12, 1848; m. Susan Prime, Feb. 20, 1871.

ALICE ELIZABETH, b. Hopedale, Feb. 28, 1850; m. Walter E. Knight, Nov. 22, 1870.

PHILA JANE, b. Hopedale, Sept. 7, 1853; d. Hopedale, Jan. 8, 1857.

ABBIE REBECCA, b. Hopedale, July 8, 1855; d. Hopedale, Jan. 10, 1857.

KATIE THWING, b. Hopedale, March 17, 1857; res. in Hopedale.

ANNIE ISABEL, b. Hammonton, N.J., June 19, 1860; res. in Worcester.

William Stimpson was a good blacksmith and an upright man, with a sympathetic wf. They came to Hopedale early in 1848, were probationers for a time, were admitted members of the Community in the spring of 1851, resigned in 1856 or 1857, moved to Hammonton, N.J., and res. there for a season or two. He d. there June 6, 1859.

Mrs. Jane subsequently returned to Hopedale, and purchased a small homestead there. Later she was m. to Thomas Provan of Worcester, cer. at Hopedale, April 29, 1870, by the writer; no chn. They now res. in Worcester. Her eldest son, William D. Stimpson, with his wf. and son, res. in Hopedale. Their son, *William Frederick*, was b. Portsmouth, N.H., Nov. 27, 1871.

STIMPSON, JOHN, an elder bro. of the preceding; his mr.'s maiden name Elizabeth Sutton; b. Eng., 1825; painter; m. *Mary Lucy Adams*, dr. of Abner and Elizabeth T. (Claflin) Adams, b. in West Stockbridge, Dec. 15, 1833; cer. at Hopedale, Dec. 20, 1854, by the writer. No chn. Both were many yrs. res. in Hopedale, and he a member of the Community from 1851 to 1856. Present res., Providence, R.I.

STIMPSON, JAMES, bro. of the preceding by the same parents; b. in Eng., Feb. 17, 1850; bootmaker; m. *Sarah McCoy*, dr. of John and Elizabeth (Stewart) McCoy, b. in New Brunswick, June 6, 1831; cer. in N.B., date not given, by Rev. Mr. Fitch. Their chn.: —

ISABELLA, b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., March 9, 1851; m. James Adams, Nov. 15, 1869.

ELZINA J., b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., Oct. 4, 1853; m. William Johnson, Jan. 23, 1873.

SOPHIA A., b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., Aug. 29, 1856; m. Andrew McCuen, July 15, 1875.

JAMES W., b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., April 4, 1859.

ALMA M., b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., Jan. 1, 1862.

SARAH A., b. Maqwapet Lake, N.B., July 24, 1864.

CHARLES S., b. Mil., Dec. 19, 1865.

MINNIE G., b. Mil., April 12, 1870.

ETHEL M., b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1878.

Grandchn.: —

Alma A. Adams, b. Mil., March 6, 1870.

Adella L. Adams, b. Mil., Nov. 11, 1872; d. Jan. 19, 1880.

Elmer W. Adams, b. Mil., Sept. 5, 1876.

Alvin H. Johnson, b. Mil., Oct. 31, 1874; d. Aug. 29, 1875.

Elsie G. Johnson, b. Mil., April 28, 1877; d. June 4, 1879.

Nina E. Johnson, b. Mil., Oct., 1878.

James Stimpson, wf. and family, are devoted Baptists. They are industrious, hard-working, exemplary, and respected people in their social sphere.

STIMPSON, EDWARD SUTTON, bro. of the preceding, by the same parents; b. Fredericton, N.B., July 31, 1837; m. *Isabel Augusta Farnham*, dr. of Rufus G. and Lydia N. (Davis) Farnham, b. Chester, N.H., July 17, 1839; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 30, 1861, by the writer. Their chn.: —

WALLACE IRVING, b. Hopedale, June 16, 1864; grad. Mil. high school.

MAY BELL, b. Hopedale, May 13, 1867; d. Aug. 11, 1868.

GEORGE EDWARD, b. Hopedale, Feb. 7, 1869.

HARRY FARNHAM, b. Hopedale, Feb. 20, 1873.

WARREN DUTCHER, b. Hopedale, May 16, 1880.

Mr. S. came to Hopedale in 1852, and has res. there ever since, with the exception of 2 yrs. in Worcester. He has long been foreman of the Dutcher Temple Shop, is a very ingenious and inventive mechanic, an excellent chorister, a natural dramatist on the village stage, of exemplary moral integrity, and has a wf. and family, all highly respected in their vicinage. They have a nice homestead on Peace St.

STIMPSON, JESSE F., bro. of the preceding by the same parents; b. in Fredericton, N.B., Aug. 28, 1839; m. *Lydia D. Buxton*, dr. of Addison and Eliza A. (Fuller) Buxton, b. in Woodstock, Ct., 1853; cer. Mil., Dec. 20, 1876, by Rev. Porter M. Vinton. No chn. as yet reported.

Jesse F. and wf. are zealous Methodists. They res. in Hopedale, and he

has for some yrs. been employed in the Hopedale Temple Shop. He was a kind-hearted, well-disposed youth, but inherited a diseased propensity to periodical intemperance, which sometimes subjected him and his friends to much trouble. Happily his conversion to the Methodist religion, or his marriage to a good wf., or perhaps both together, have much reformed his habits; and he has since led a more exemplary life.

STIMPSON, HENRY, of this family, was at one time a res. in town, but is now in distant parts unknown to me.

STIMPSON, JOSEPH NIXON, of the same family, res. for yrs. at Hopedale, but m. and set. down as a machinist in Worcester.

STIMPSON, JONATHAN, the father of this family, has long res. in town, was a skilful gardener in former times, m. a 3d wf. here, and has had younger chn. by her. He has found employment in the Temple Shop at Hopedale, adapted to his declining strength. He has entered his 85th yr. He was abusively run over last yr. on the highway by a reckless driver, and dangerously crippled. He receives largely the watch-care and succor of his son Edward.

Our Directory of 1880 shows that we have several other Stimpsons in town: —

STIMPSON, BENJAMIN, needle-maker, house 16 So. Bow St.

STIMPSON, David, packer, boards 60 So. Main St.

I suspect the last-named may be a son of the aged Jonathan by his last wf., who, I see, keeps house at 60 So. Main St.

There may have been transient residents of this name on our territory in early times, but I refrain from research in quest of them.

STODDARD, JEREMIAH, and his wf. *Rebecca*, with 3 chn , came from Hingham to res. in Mil., June, 1782. They were encouraged to come and domiciliated by Isaac Bates. The names of their chn. were EZEKIEL, JEREMIAH, JUN., and REBECCA. They ultimately set. on now Plain St., below the Lowell Fales place, or more properly then the Obadiah Wheelock place, down southerly towards Mendon line. The spot is now indicated by the two old cellar-holes, which, with their lilac-bushes and a Lombardy poplar, show where two human habitations once stood. These were the homes of the two Jeremiah Stoddards, father and son. Ezekiel Stoddard drifted off into Upton, and was the progenitor of those who have borne the name in that town. Whom he m. I do not recollect, if ever informed. Prob. Upton records may tell. Rebecca m. Simeon Albee, Nov. 30, 1786. Jeremiah, jun., m. Sarah Lambert, as stated below. I presume Jeremiah, sen., and wf., were natives of Hingham. I infer the dates of their births from those of their recorded deaths. He d. June 2, 1811, a. 74 yrs. This shows him to have been b. in 1737. She d. May 2, 1834, a. 93 yrs. So she must have been b. in 1741. I have never heard the moral and social character of this family described.

STODDARD, JEREMIAH, jun., was b. prob. in Hingham, Aug. 25, 1764. He m. *Sarah Lambert*, who was b. in 1770; but her birthplace and ptge. have not come to my knowledge. It would seem, from our records, that he must have been 18 yrs. old when he first came with his fr. into town. He returned to his native vicinity, m. Sarah Lambert, and was living at Cohasset in 1778. For it is recorded that "Jeremiah Stoddard, jun., Sarah, his wife, and one child named Sarah, came to Milford, May ye 30th, 1788; they came from Cohasset, taken in by Jeremiah Stoddard." Town Records, vol. i., p. 205. Their home was on the So. Milford Plain, as above stated. Their chn. : —

Sarah, b. Cohasset, March 10, 1788; m. Peter White, 1806.
Levina, b. Mil., Jan. 22, 1790; d. Dec. 8, 1794.
Betsey, b. Mil., Oct. 16, 1791; d. Nov. 30, 1794.
Martin, Gen., b. Mil., Oct. 25, 1793; outlived his 1st and 2d wives.
Jeremiah, 3d, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1794; d. April 10, 1814.

Jeremiah, jun., the hus. and fr., d. March 17, 1796. I have an impression of being told that he perished in a snow-storm at night, by falling into a brook, on his way home from the store or tavern then kept at the Parkman place. But I am not certain of this. I have not yet come across Mrs. Sarah's death-date.

STODDARD, Gen. Martin[3] (Jeremiah, jun.,[2] Jeremiah, sen.[1]), b. in Mil., Oct. 25, 1793; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Lambert; m., 1st, *Elizabeth* ——, who d. Nov. 19, 1840; and 2d, *Eliza D. P.*, b. in New Braintree, May 8, 1802; d. in Newton, July 27, 1871. I think no chn. were b. to him by either wf. He was an enterprising business man, and res. much, if not mostly, in Providence, R.I. There he was long an active trader in various commodities, and a famous auctioneer. There he acquired his military title of Brigadier-General, and was popular in the respectable circles of society. In his prosperity he built a summer residence at So. Mil., since known as the Willard Chilson place, where he and his family spent considerable portions of their time. But this was not of very long continuance. He had serious reverses of fortune, and finally, after many ups and downs, became comparatively poor. He d. in Providence, R.I., Dec. 9, 1866. His remains, with those of his two wives, repose in the cemetery at So. Mil.

STODDARD, Rev. Jeremiah, from the State of Maine, a retired Universalist clergyman, res. a few yrs. in town, between 1850 and 1860. My impression is that he had a wf., sons, and drs. here. But of just whom and how many his family consisted, my recollection is indistinct. None of them remained long among us. Perhaps Lorenzo, carriage-maker, was his son. James A., I know, was. His family record is as follows:—

STODDARD, James A., son of Rev. Jeremiah and Mary A. Stoddard, b. in Farmington, Me.; birth-date not given; m. *Marion Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Feb. 21, 1832; cer. Mil., May 17, 1853, by whom not given. Issue:—

Irene E., b. Mil., March 8, 1854; m. Charles A. Capwell, March 4, 1874.
James N., b. Mil., Jan. 7, 1856; d. Jan. 29, 1857.
Adelaide M., b. Mil., Dec. 27, 1860.
Alice J., b. Mil., July 20, 1863.
Herbert A., b. Chicago, Ill., May 23, 1869.

1 *grandchild*, — *Marion J. Capwell*, dr. of Irene E. (Stoddard) and Charles A. Capwell, b. Brooklyn, N.Y., April 13, 1875.

An intelligent, enterprising, and respectable family. Mr. S. removed from Mil. to Chicago, Ill., where his family have since resided.

STONE, Timothy A., and *Betsey Hayden*, pedigrees untraced, were m. in Mil., Jan. 17, 1828, by Rev. D. Long, and are credited with the following births:—

Ellen Maria, b. Nov. 16, 1828; d. Aug. 1, 1836, a. 7 yrs.
Isabella Ophelia, b. March 2, 1831.
Lucy Parker, b. Feb. 16, 1834; m. Dexter Claflin, 1852.

Family no further traced.

STONE, Richmond, son of William and Elizabeth (Brown) Stone, b. in Foster, R.I., Jan. 13, 1815; farmer; m. *Susan Cheney*, dr. of John and Susanna

(Kinney) Cheney, b. Feb. 7, 1812; cer. Aug. 14, 1836, by Rev. Nathaniel Spindel. No issue reported. Mrs. Susan d., Oct. 22, 1856; and the hus. m., 2d, his present wf., *Sarah* (*Dean*) *Haven*, wid. of Willard Haven; cer. Sept. 29, 1861. See under the name Haven.

STREETER, Elder ADAMS, first minister and founder of the Universalist Society in Mil., b. prob. in Cumberland, R.I., or that general vicinity; m. *Dinah* ——, no particulars found; came to res. with Noah Wiswall in his house, Nov. 16, 1781, then recently from Douglas. They brought with them 7 chn., whose names were ADAMS, JUN., NATHANIEL. RUTH, ZERVIA, WILLIAM, SOLOMON, and SARAH. No birth-dates found.

Elder Streeter is understood to have been an ordained Baptist minister, when he embraced the doctrine of universal salvation. He thereafter immediately avowed his enlarged theological views, and preached them more or less frequently on a circuit of stations in southern central Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He preached here in private houses once a month, perhaps from 1783 to 1785, and was engaged to do so during 1786. But in the month of Sept., on one of his preaching excursions to Rhode Island, he was taken suddenly and fatally sick. He was most tenderly cared for in the hospitable home of his friend, Capt. Stephen Whipple, near Blackstone River, on territory then in Smithfield, but now in Lincoln, R.I. There he d. Sept. 22, 1786, and was buried, profoundly lamented by all who knew his worth. His society continued his salary to his family here till the end of the year, when they removed from town, and were scattered, whither I never traced them.

SUMNER. The Sumners take honorable rank among our oldest and most conspicuous families. Ebenezer and Joseph Sumner were the first settlers. They were bros., sons of George Sumner, one of the Mendon town-seat proprietors. The 2 sons succeeded to their fr.'s rights in the common lands of the township, — probably by paternal gift. They had laid out to them, under that right, as follows: —

"The Great Lot belonging to Geo. Sumner's house lot was laid out on the south-east end of Magomiscock Hill; the south line being 164 rods, bounded by common; the westerly line 120 rds., bd. by common; the northerly line 120 rds., bd. by common; the easterly line 120 rds. on common, then turning southerly 94 rds., then turning easterly 44 rds., then turning southerly 26 rds., being the south-east corner of the above piece, — bounded on every side by common; laid out with allowance for a 4 rd. way across said land; laid out May 15, 1702." June 27, 1704, they had 15 acs. more laid out to them, adjoining the south-east corner of their Great Lot, so called, and extending southerly from it. I infer that the south line of their Great Lot ran nearly due east and west, and that it crossed Main St. at the junction of Elm St. or thereabouts. This line, being 164 rds. long, must have extended from a point some distance north-easterly (perhaps easterly) of Mr. James Batchelder's residence, westward across Main St. into the side of Magomiscock Hill, some rods beyond where the Cook Slaughterhouse now stands. Doubtless the exact points east and west might be ascertained, but I have not thought it necessary to take so much pains. (As to Magomiscock Hill, see Chap. II. where I have described and explained that matter.) At later dates the two bros. had divers other pieces of common land laid out to them here and there; so that, with purchases made of their neighbors, they became quite large landholders. It will be noticed, that, in 1702, they were bd. on all sides by common, and that there was no town-road through their premises; though a 4 rod way was provided for.

Probably a rude cart-path had already been, or was soon after, cut, along the present course of Main St. to Holl. This was subsequently known as "the Sherborn road," and so called in land documents for the next half-century; Holl. being a part of Sherb. till its incorporation in 1724. It is obvious that the two bros. owned land on both sides of this Sherb. road far down toward the present Parish Park. They married sisters, and for a time probably dwelt in the same home; which stood near what has been latterly called the Dexter Walker house. Later, they betook themselves to new residences; and Joseph built him a domicile where Mrs. James Batchelder lives. It passed afterwards into the possession of Phinehas Eames, and was burnt, with three persons in it, March 31, 1799. The two bros. held more or less of their real estate in partnership through life. Ebenezer, the elder bro., seems to have acquired considerable tracts of lands farther eastward on the Sherb. road, in the neighborhood of the town-hall, extending across the river to Bear Hill. These descended to his chn. and grd. chn. Both bros. were evidently enterprising, upright, and substantial citizens. They had a very reputable ancestry. Their fr., George, was the son of William Sumner, who was an immigrant from Eng., and set. in Dorchester, where he was made a freeman in 1637. *His* fr.'s name, too, was William, according to a published "Genealogy of the Sumner Family."

SUMNER, WILLIAM[2] (William[1]), b. in Bicester, Eng., about the yr. 1605, and m. *Mary West*, 1625. Their chn. were, —

WILLIAM, b. in Eng., no date given; a mariner; m. Elizabeth Clement.
ROGER, b. in Eng., no date given; m. a dr. of Thomas Joslin Hingham.
GEORGE, b. in Eng., Feb. 14, 1634; the fr. of our 2 early settlers.
SAMUEL, b. in Dorchr., May 18, 1638; wf. Rebecca; m. March 7, 1658–9.
INCREASE, b. in Dorchr., Feb. 23, 1642; m. Sarah Staples, March 26, 1667; set. in S. Carolina.
JOAN, b. in Dorchr., no dates; m. Aaron Way.
ABIGAIL, b. in Dorchr., no dates; d. Feb. 19, 1657.

The fr. set. in Dorchr., 1636; was made freeman in 1637, was promoted to many responsible offices, and d. about 1691. His wf. d. June 7, 1676.

SUMNER, GEORGE[3] (William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 14, 1634; m. *Mary Baker*, Nov. 7, 1662. She was a dr. of Edward Baker of Lynn, sometime of Northampton, and b. April 1, 1642. Their chn. were, —

MARY, b. Feb. 11, 1663; m. a Mr. Swinerton.
GEORGE, b. Feb. 9, 1666; m. Ann Tucker of Roxbury.
SAMUEL, b. Oct. 19, 1669; supposed lost in the expedition to Canada, 1690.
WILLIAM, b. April 7, 1671; supposed lost in the expedition to Canada, 1690.
EBENEZER, b. Dec. 9, 1673; our early settler.
EDWARD, b. Aug. 29, 1675; m. Elizabeth Clap, Sept. 25, 1701.
JOSEPH, b. Aug. 26, 1677; our early settler.
BENJAMIN, b. Dec. 15, 1683; m. Elizabeth Badcock, Milton.

The fr. was a proprietor of Mendon lands, and pd. taxes there; but it is doubtful if his family ever res. there. If so, it must have been for a brief period. His homestead was on Brush Hill, Milton. He was dea. of the ch. in Milton many years, and d. there Dec. 11, 1715, aged 81 yrs. His wf. d. Dec. 1, 1719, aged 77.

SUMNER, EBENEZER[4] (George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Dec. 9, 1673; m. *Abigail Lovett* of Mendon, Jan. 18, 1705–6. She was a dr. of James and Hannah Lovett; birth-date not found. Their chn. were, —

EBENEZER, b. Dec. 6, 1706; untraceable; perhaps d. young.

DANIEL, b. June 24, 1709; principal heir and successor of his fr.

ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 16, 1711; m. William Thayer, son of Thomas, Nov. 13, 1729.

SILENCE, b. 1714; m., 1st, Benjamin Thayer; 2d, Alexander Sessions, Pomfret, Ct.

The parents prob. lived at first under the same roof with Joseph and wf., in the original house erected at the Dexter Walker place. Later their home was down the Sherb. road towards the river. He d. in 1721; and his estate was set. by his bro. Joseph and his wf.'s bro., Daniel Lovett, joint administrators. The date of his wf.'s death not ascertained.

SUMNER, JOSEPH[4] (George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Aug. 26, 1677; m. *Sarah Lovett* of Mendon, about 1706; the exact date not found. She was a dr. of James and Hannah Lovett, a sr. to Ebenezer's wf., and b. July 11, 1688. Their chn. were, —

SARAH, b. Feb. 28, 1707; m., 1st, Samuel Brown, Oct. 26, 1733; 2d, John Ingals.

MARTHA, b. Aug. 27, 1709; m. Obadiah Wheelock, Oct. 26, 1733.

JOSEPH, b. Sept. 28, 1716; shared his fr.'s homestead; d. Mil., 1782.

JAMES, b. Dec. 10, 1718; also shared his fr.'s homestead; an eminent citizen.

EBENEZER, b. April 20, 1723; d., wounded fatally by a scythe, Sept. 6, 1742.

The fr. d. March 6, 1735; and his wid., Mrs. Sarah, set. his estate as administratrix. She d. Jan. 2, 1772.

SUMNER, DANIEL[5] (Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. June 24, 1709; m. *Beriah Clark* of Medway, Oct. 15, 1731; her parentage and date of birth not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

ASA, b. Jan. 29, 1731; prob. d. young.

EBENEZER, b. Sept., 1737; shared his fr.'s homestead, res. and d. here.

SILENCE, b. Jan. 5, 1741; m. Job Barstow, Dec. 6, 1772; set. in Oxford.

DARIUS, b. Sept. 28, 1755; inherited by will the last homestead of his fr.

Thus far the town and family records. But it seems certain that the parents had 2 other chn.; viz., Daniel and Abigail, of whose births there is no record. The proof of this is found as follows: The fr.'s will, dated May 10, 1779, says, "I have also already given to my beloved son, Daniel Sumner, his full portion out of my estate in time past in another way and manner, excepting what he now owes me. I give him, the said Daniel, what he now owes me." Again; "I give and bequeath unto my beloved dr., Silence Barstow, and beloved gd. drs., Margaret Davidson and Abigail Davidson, etc." Again; "forty shillings I give and bequeath to my gd. son, Daniel Davidson, when he shall arrive at lawful age." Who were these Davidson gd. chn.? Rev. Amariah Frost's record and return of mges. attests that he m. Daniel Davidson and Abigail Sumner, May 1, 1759; which agrees with the ages of these Davidson gd. chn. Several other legal documents of the period sustain my conclusion. It is evident that Abigail (Sumner) Davidson, and prob. her hus., d. before the making of Daniel Sumner's will. The will, in another clause, shows that Jesse Sumner, then living with the testator, was also a gd. son, to whom a small legacy must be pd. when of lawful age, if he should continue in the family until that time. And we find that he could be none other than the son of Daniel Sumner, jun. These two unrecorded chn. must both have been older than their sister Silence. Some little time after writing the above, important genealogical information came unexpectedly to light, which, if sooner known to

me, would have spared me much perplexity, wonderment, and words. I found that Abigail Sumner was Daniel's 2d child, b. prob. about 1734; m. Daniel Davidson, had the forementioned chn., and soon after died. I also found that Daniel Sumner, jun., was b. in 1739; i.e., between his bro. Ebenezer and sister Silence; that he m. Lydia Fairbanks of Holl., May 14, 1761; that he lived first in Woodstock, Ct., then Princeton, Mass., then Halifax, Vt., where he d. 1810; and that he had 13 chn. I have therefore arranged to tabulate his family record and his son Jesse's.

There are many record-marks to show that Daniel Sumner was an enterprising, substantial, and influential man of his time. He was styled blacksmith in his earlier deeds, and in later ones husbandman, farmer, yeoman, etc. He must have been a large landholder before distributing estates to his chn. He inherited, partly from his fr., and partly from his gd. fr., James Lovett, through his mr., a broad extent of acres on both sides of what is now Main St., all the way down from below Union Block, over the river on both banks, from the Cedar Swamp considerably southward of the mill privileges. To these lands he added many other parcels by purchase, either near by or at a distance. He d. May 12, 1779; and his youngest son, Darius, was the executor of his will. The date of his wf.'s death not ascertained.

SUMNER, Joseph[5] (Joseph,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 28, 1716. This is another Sumner whose life and career have been left in obscurity by the family chroniclers. I have been unable to learn whether he was ever married. I presume he never was. But I find unquestionable proofs that he survived his fr.; that he shared in the distribution of the paternal real estate; that he owned land in the vicinity of the Parish Common; that he served on the Precinct Committee one or two yrs., and that he made conveyances of landed property as late as 1767. It has been stated, on what seems good verbal authority, that he d. in Mil. in 1782; though I have found no such public record.

SUMNER, James, Esq.,[5] (Joseph,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Dec. 10, 1718; m., 1st, *Mary Bigelow*, Jan. 13, 1743. She was a dr. of Joshua and Hannah (Fisk) Bigelow, b. Weston, date not ascertained. She was a sister to Isaac Parkhurst's wf. and to the elder Ichabod Thayer's wf.; the latter having been the wid. of Ebenezer Cheney. Their chn. were, —

Mary, b. Oct. 27, 1743; d. Jan. 16, 1745.

Ichabod, b. Dec. 13, 1745; d. only a fortnight old.

James, Jun., b. May 31, 1747; m. Melatiah Jones, Oct. 29, 1772; res. here.

Sarah, b. Oct. 13, 1749; untraced.

Mary, b. March 2, 1752; d. Nov. 12, 1780.

Elizabeth, b. Aug. 16, 1754, N. S.; m. Thaddeus Gibson of Warner, N.H., 1778 or 1779.

Patience, b. Nov. 2, 1756; m. John Dewing, Sept. 21, 1780.

Joseph, b. July 29, 1760; land-surveyor, etc.; lived here to old age.

It is presumable that James Sumner's family res. was on the old patrimonial est., either at the Phinehas Eames place, the Dexter Walker place, or in that immediate neighborhood. The mr. of the forenamed chn. d. June 13, 1781, in the 59th yr. of her age. The fr. m., 2d, *Mary Jones*, July 7, 1784; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was the dr. of Joseph and Mary (Whitney) Jones, b. Oct. 16, 1740. She d. April 29, 1791, in the 52d yr. of her age. He was a man of note in his day, and exercised a leading influence; often clerk, assessor, and chief committee-man of the Precinct; coroner of his vicinage; town-clerk of

Mendon from 1769 to 1775, or thereabouts; second on the Revolutionary Committee of "Correspondence and Safety," etc., from 1773 downward; a principal promoter of the separation of Milford from Mendon; chairman of the new town's committee to settle all matters of interest between the two townships after Milford's incorporation in 1780, etc. He d. Aug. 29, 1795, in his 77th yr., having survived his 2d wf. over 4 yrs.

SUMNER, EBENEZER[6] (Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept., 1737; m. *Elizabeth Ellis* of Medway, May 7, 1758; her parentage and birth-date not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

OLIVE, b. March 17, 1759; m. Adams Chapin, Dec. 21, 1775.

MARY, b. May 12, 1761; m. Luther Wheelock, Nov. 8, 1780.

EBENEZER, b. Feb. 20, 1763; our well-remembered citizen in No. Purchase.

ELIZABETH, b. Sept. 23, 1765; d. in infancy, Oct. 31, 1766.

The fr. inherited a valuable real est., given him by his fr. before death, in the immediate vicinity of Charles-river Bridge and the mill privileges. The house in which he dwelt is still standing, opposite the Esq. Hunt mansion; but for some reason he made a swap of farms with David Stearns, a little previous to 1798, and removed, with his son Ebenezer, jun., into the No. Purchase. He multiplied his acres, but prob. gave Stearns the best end of the bargain. Andrew Bagley, some yrs. ago, occupied a part of that No. Purchase place. He was a respected citizen, and d. April 26, 1812, in his 76th yr. His wf. Elizabeth preceded him, having d. Jan. 18, 1800.

SUMNER, DARIUS[6] (Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 28, 1755; m. *Anna Daniels* of Mendon, Feb. 19, 1784; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Major Joseph and Margaret Daniels, b. April 27, 1765. Her sister Diadama was the wf. of Timothy Wiswall. Their chn. were, —

AMY, b. Nov. 16, 1784; m. Peter Cook, Oct., 1805.

ANNA, b. Nov. 14, 1786; m. Zebadiah Flagg, Oct. 30, 1808.

SULLIVAN, b. May 24, 1789; our long well-known, eminent citizen.

SOLON, birth-date not found; d. Feb. 16, 1798.

DIADAMA, b. March 14, 1798; m. Orrin Sumner, Woodstock, Ct., Nov. 3, 1817.

SOLON, b. April 13, 1800; lived and d. among us.

The fr., being the youngest son of Daniel, dwelt with him in his declining yrs. on the westerly part of the original Ebnr. Sumner homestead, at and around what is now called the Milford Hotel, late Quinshapang House. Daniel gave his son Ebenezer, some yrs. before death, the handsome est. near and around the bridge already spoken of, and retained the westerly section of his large farm for himself and Darius, together with sundry outlying lands. He lived and d. in an old-fashioned, plaster-covered house which stood a little in front of the westerly end of the hotel, or thereabouts. There Darius and family also dwelt until his son, Col. Sullivan Sumner, with his concurrence, erected the hotel, not far from 1820. Darius served several terms in the army during the Revolutionary war, and was a pensioner in his old age. I find among his preserved papers his sworn certificate of services rendered. It sets forth as follows: that he was b. Sept. 28, 1756 (one yr. later than the above from family record); that he served substitute for William Cheney 5 mos. as corporal, commencing about Aug. 1, 1775, in Capt. Samuel Warren's company and Col. Joseph Reed's regiment; also 2 mos. at Dorchester, in Capt. Levi Aldrich's company, and Col. Whitney's regiment, commencing about the 1st March, 1776; also a tour in the company of Capt. Craggin, Col. Denny's regiment, 3 mos., commencing in Aug.

or Sept., 1776, in Tarrytown, N.Y.; also a tour in the company of Capt. Craggin, Col. Sprout's regiment, 3 mos. as orderly-sergeant, commencing Jan., 1778, in East Greenwich, R.I.; also one other tour as corporal in Capt. David Batchellor's company, Col. Ezra Wood's regiment, commencing the last of May or 1st of June, 1778, in Fishkill, N.Y., 8 mos. He performed active duties as town-constable, collector of taxes, and in various other offices; so it appears that he was a useful, substantial, and reliable public as well as private citizen. Several interesting military orders and other documents, handed down to posterity, have been submitted to my inspection by Mr. Luther P. Jones, which want of space forbids me to copy. He made a full and careful will, which in due time was carried into effect by his son and executor, Col. Sullivan Sumner. He d. May 2, 1847; and his wid. Anna d. Oct. 2, 1851.

SUMNER, JAMES, Jun.[6] (James,[5] Joseph,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. May 31, 1747; m. *Melatiah Jones*, Oct. 29, 1772. She was a dr. of Jonathan and Mary Jones, b. while her parents dwelt in Holl., June 1, 1756. Their chn. were, —

SALEM, b. Feb. 11, 1773; m. Mary, a twin dr. of Samuel French; emigrated to Caledonia, N.Y.

ABIGAIL, b. June 7, 1775; d. of small-pox, a. 3 yrs.

The fr. d. Sept. 22, 1775. The mr. afterwards m. Ebenezer Atwood, March 11, 1779; cer. by Rev. A. Frost.

SUMNER, JOSEPH[6] (James,[5] Joseph,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. July 29, 1760; m. *Ruth Legg*, Aug. 21, 1788; cer. by Amariah Frost, Esq. She was a dr. of Levi and Mary (Beal) Legg, b. Sept. 10, 1768. Their chn. were, —

CHARLOTTE, b. Dec. 4, 1788; d. Dec. 20, 1824, a. 36 yrs. 16 days.

POLLY, b. Sept. 30, 1790; m. Wm. Whipple Davenport, 1830; d.; his wid., May 10, 1878.

OTIS, b. Feb. 23, 1797; one of our well-known oldest citizens.

BETSEY, b. March 7, 1799; m. Cephas Lawrence, May 24, 1820; she d. Dec. 6, 1880.

JULIANNA, b. May 7, 1804; d. May 28, 1851, a. 47 yrs. 21 days.

SYLVANUS, b. Jan. 25, 1810; res. Weare, N.H.

The misfortunes of life have fallen heavily on this family, as those who have knowledge of their experiences need not be told. The fr. d. Dec. 7, 1846, a. 86 yrs. 4 mos. and 9 days. The mr. d. Sept. 16, 1840, a. 72 yrs. and 6 days.

SUMNER, EBENEZER[7] (Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 20, 1763; m. *Keziah Albee*, April, 1782. She was a dr. of John and Sarah Albee, b. March 12, 1762. John Albee, her fr., dwelt in the edge of Mendon, just beyond the Lewis Gaskill place, where Willis Gould now res. Their chn. were, —

LOVETT, b. May 18, 1783; d. Dorchester, a young man, without issue, Nov. 12, 1806.

MARY, *alias* POLLY, b. April 29, 1785; m. Zenas Ball, June 12, 1806; d. in 1 year.

ELLIS, b. March 7, 1787; long one of our substantial citizens.

JOHN, b. April 29, 1789; d. young, Jan. 23, 1807.

EMORY, b. Oct. 25, 1791; a quiet and exemplary citizen.

CLARK, b. May 29, 1794; a trustworthy man; popular captain and major of artillery.

SALLY, b. July 6, 1798; m. Samuel Claflin, Nov. 23, 1820.

SAMUEL A., b. July 23, 1805; res. Seneca Falls, N.Y., where he has a wf. and 5 chn.

The fr. lived with, and succeeded as principal heir, his fr. on the No. Purchase homestead, acquired by exchange of estates with David Stearns, and was esteemed an upright, orderly, good citizen. His wf. Keziah d. March 29, 1822. He subsequently m. *Lydia* (*Underwood*) *Unthank* of Southboro', Nov. or Dec., 1822. From some unknown aberration of mind, he took his own life, Feb. 20, 1837. His wid., Mrs. Lydia, whose 3d hus. he was, survived him a little over 2 yrs., and d. May 3, 1839.

SUMNER, DANIEL, Jun.[6] (Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. 1739; m. *Lydia Fairbanks* of Holl.; cer. May 14, 1761, by Rev. John Prentice. He and his wf. lived in Woodstock, Ct., till 1769; then at Princeton, Mass., till 1783; and then in Halifax, Vt., till his death. He d. July 31, 1810; and his wf. Aug. 30, 1814. They had chn. b. to them in all these places. Few birth-dates are given, and other particulars are too meagre to quote. The names of their 13 chn., in order of age, are as follows: JOEL, JESSE, DANIEL, ABIGAIL, EPHRAIM, LYDIA, ASENATH, SUSANNA, JOTHAM, LEVI, EPHRAIM, JERUSHA, JOHN.

SUMNER, JESSE[7] (Daniel,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Woodstock, Ct., 1763; brought up by, or at least lived many yrs. with, his gd. fr. and uncle Darius; m. *Phila Darling* of Bellingham, Nov. 25, 1792; cer. by Rev. Noah Alden. She was a dr. of Joshua and Martha Darling, b. March 27, 1763. This pair set. in Woodstock, Ct., about the yr. 1800. There were several families of Sumners, nearer or more distant relatives of Jesse, who had set. in that town and vicinity; and I suspect that his fr., Daniel, jun., res. there at one time, and may have had other sons that dwelt thereabouts; but all I could learn from that quarter left me insufficiently informed, except in respect to Jesse and family. The chn. of this family were, —

ALVERSON, b. Aug. 10, 1791; m. Clara Wilkinson, Sept. 17, 1817; he d. Aug. 10, 1863.

ORRIN, b. March 21, 1793; m., 1st, Diadama Sumner, Mil., Nov. 3, 1817; res. here some yrs. She d. childless, Oct. 21, 1846. He m., 2d, Marilla Stoddard, Woodstock, Ct., Oct. 6, 1847; had 3 chn. there; d. May 27, 1854.

PHILA, no birth-date given; m. Rodney Martin, Woodstock, Ct.; 5 chn.

JESSE, b. 1800; d. June 30, 1816.

GEORGE N., b. Aug. 19, 1802; m. Adeline Phillips, June 1, 1833; 5 chn.

ANNA, no birth-date given; m. Nathan Corbin, 1834; 4 chn.

Jesse, the fr., d. Oct. 21, 1849. His wf. Phila had d. before him, April 2, 1841.

SUMNER, JESSE, extra. This Sumner appears to have res. in the Easterly Precinct in 1757 and 1758, but is mentioned only in a Precinct vote of March 9, 1758, granting liberty to him and Nathaniel Cheney to build them a pew in the meeting-house, "over the men's stairs," provided they could do so without incommoding the passage up said stairs. He was prob. some sort of cousin to the Mil. Sumners; but whence he came, or whither he went, no hint is given. Indeed, he is mentioned nowhere else on our old records but in the forementioned vote; so he may be dismissed without further notice.

SUMNER, Col. SULLIVAN[7] (Darius,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. May 24, 1789; m. *Diana Parkhurst*, Oct. 4, 1818; cer. by

Rev. David Long. She was a dr. of Capt. Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. April 12, 1796. They had no chn., except by some form of adoption, or foster care. They were excellent, estimable, and universally beloved people. His parents leaned on them as their chief earthly dependence in their declining yrs. When the hotel was built in the place of the old plaster-covered domicile, an ample private wing was set apart for the parents, whilst the col. and his wf. became landlord and lady of the public apartments. As such they deservedly won golden opinions for many yrs. from the hosts of townspeople and travellers who frequented their mansion. It was not long before they had to enlarge their accommodations. After a while they retreated with respect to a new and more retired home. Meantime, the col. had received numerous military and municipal honors; and the evening of life seemed to promise only prosperity and repose. But their horizon was presently overcast with clouds of adversity. His wf. lost her health, and finally her life, in an attempt to eradicate a cancerous development. She d. April 29, 1857, under the effect of a surgical operation. This bereavement was followed, not only by a sense of domestic desolation, but later by some impairments of his property, and finally by a personal casualty which nearly took his life, and from wh ch he never fairly recovered. He d. Sept. 23, 1867, in his 79th yr., leaving the bulk, or at least a considerable portion, of his est. to Sullivan Sumner Jones and Luther P. Jones, the sons of Alden and Angelina (Parkhurst) Jones, the latter being his decd. wf.'s youngest sister.

SUMNER, Solon[7] (Darius,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. April 13, 1800; m. *Firilla Weaver*, Feb. 27, 1820; cer. by Pearley Hunt, Esq. She was a dr. of Benjamin Weaver of Orange, b. Feb. 26, 1801. They had no chn., and filled a less conspicuous sphere than Col. Sullivan and his companion. Solon had his good qualities as well as his faults, and his wf. left a highly-respected memory to all who were privileged to know and appreciate her worth. He d. Jan. 10, 1839. She survived him in widowhood many yrs., and d. April 2, 1870. Thus it is seen that there are no descendants of Darius Sumner, with the Sumner name, to perpetuate his lineage.

SUMNER, Otis[7] (Joseph,[6] James,[5] Joseph,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 23, 1797; m. *Rhoda Mann Adams*, Nov. 27, 1831; cer. by Rev. Thomas Whittemore. She was a dr. of Hezekiah and Rhoda (Mann) Adams of Mil., b. in 1805. Their chn. were, —

Sylvanus Adams, b. Nov. 22, 1832; d. Dec. 20, 1866; never m.; a. 34 yrs. 28 ds.

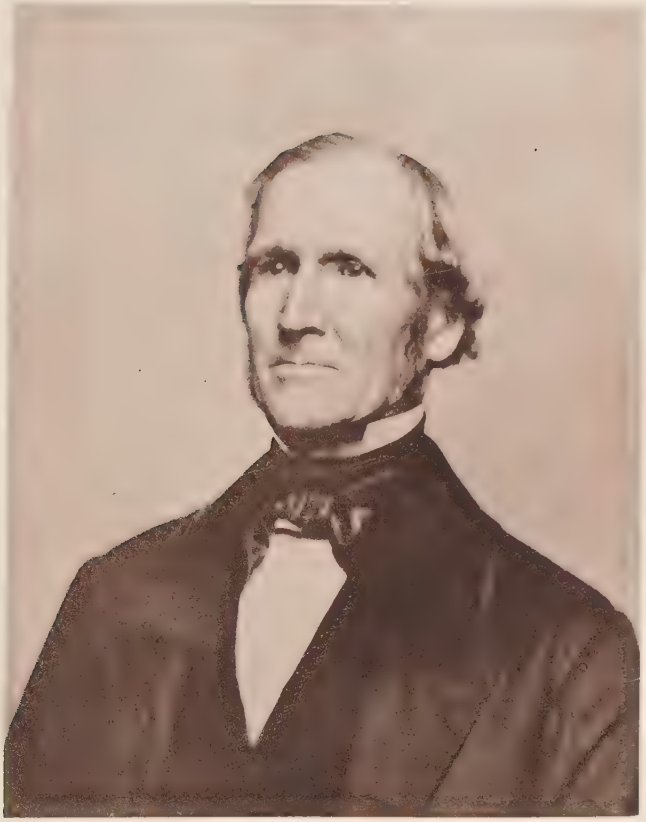
Clark F., b. Jan. 14, 1836; res. Brooklyn, N.Y.; mercht., "John Mott & Co.," N.Y. City.

Alfred W., b. April 16, 1838; d. May, 1840, a. 2 yrs.

Adeline M., b. Jan. 17, 1843; d. of scarlatina, May 8, 1845.

Alfred M., b. Oct., 1847; d. of scarlatina, Jan. 30, 1848.

The only survivor of these 5 chn., Clark F., now an enterprising business man, 124 Broadway, New York, is reported m., and to have one son, some 16 yrs. of age; further particulars not given me. Mrs. Rhoda, the mr., under mental depression, d. by her own hand, Sept. 11, 1865. The fr., who has always been an industrious, unobtrusive citizen, still survives at this writing, in the tolerable retention of his faculties, at the age of over fourscore yrs. No family report from his bro. Sylvanus, in Weare, N.H. So I here take leave of the Sumners in the lineage of Joseph.



Sullivan Sumner

SUMNER, Ellis[8] (Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. March 7, 1787; m. *Rhoda Loring* of Hayden Row, Hop., May 22, 1811; cer. by Rev. Nathaniel Howe. She was a dr. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Loring, b. Jan. 17, 1787. Their chn. were, —

Olivia L., b. Oct. 1, 1812; m. Aaron C. Mayhew, April 23, 1834.

Andrew Jackson, b. March 2, 1815; our well-known, prominent, and officially honored citizen.

Catherine E., b. March 29, 1820; m. Thomas J. Sheldon, May 15, 1844.

Albert M., b. Dec. 15, 1826; our well-known and respected citizen.

The parental pair occupied a reputable position in society. Their house was on Purchase St., just below Eben; and their homestead was, I suppose, a part of the large farm obtained by his gd. fr. in the exchange with David Stearns. Ellis was a house-carpenter as well as farmer, a man of solid mind and moral character, and intrusted, from time to time, with various responsible town offices. His wf. d. Aug. 12, 1863; and he Sept. 24, the same yr.

SUMNER, Emory[8] (Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Oct. 25, 1791; m. *Lois Sadler* of Hop., March 31, 1817; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Joseph and Mary (Hayden) Sadler, b. in Hop., date not given. Their chn. were, —

Lovett Haven, b. June 19, 1820; leather-cutter, Silver Hill; an exemplary citizen.

Nameless Son, b. May 5, 1824; d. same day.

These parents were quiet, retiring, worthy people, unambitious of social display, and content peaceably to mind their own business. Their home was on the easterly slope of Silver Hill, near Tyler St. He, too, was a house-carpenter, and diligent in useful industries, as occasion offered. He d. June 24, 1870. His wid. still survives, and dwells with her son, Lovett H., at the Silver Hill home.

SUMNER, Maj. Clark[8] (Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. May 29, 1794; m., 1st, *Sally Clark*, prob. in Sept., 1814. I have been unsuccessful in ascertaining just when, where, and by whom they were m.; as also the bride's parentage, birth-date, etc. They had several chn. that d. in very early infancy, and but one child who grew to adult age; viz., —

Mary Lovett, b. March 16, 1815; m. Abner French Pond, Mil., May 26, 1833.

The mr., Mrs. Sally, d. March 11, 1832. The fr. m., 2d, *Mary M. Thayer* of Uxbridge, Sept. 4, 1833; cer. by Rev. Samuel Clarke. She was a dr. of Asa and Mary (Murdock) Thayer, Ux., b. Sept. 4, 1803. They had one son; viz., —

Sullivan Clark, b. Feb. 9, 1836; our urbane, enterprising, and estimable citizen.

When I first became acquainted with Maj. Sumner, in the days of his 1st wf., he dwelt with his fr. on the No. Purchase homestead, and was a most energetic and executive farmer. He was then, or soon after, capt. of the Mil. Artillery Co., and prob. one of its most brilliant commanders. His inspiration and drill raised it to the zenith of its renown. He naturally became maj. of the battalion, of which that company took the lead. He had also his share of municipal offices from time to time. Some yrs. later he quit farming, and went into the hotel business with fair success. Still later he became a coal-merchant near Mil. depot, and prospered. He built him a handsome family mansion on West St., where at length he closed his earthly life, Aug. 22, 1868, a. 74 yrs. His wid.

did not long survive him. Maj. Sumner was a man of strong common sense, stanch moral integrity, persistent activity, and resolute determination. He was eminently reliable in all the relations of life.

SUMNER, SAMUEL A.[8] (Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. July 23, 1805; emigrated, soon after coming of age, to Seneca Falls, N.Y., and there m. *Elizabeth Marr* in 1837; parentage, dates, etc., in respect to his wf., not furnished me. Their chn. were, —

MARY, b. Aug. 27, 1839.
GEORGE, b. July 26, 1841.
SARAH, b. March 9, 1843.
ANNETTE, b. Aug. 26, 1846.
KATE, b. Aug. 3, 1850.

He left his native place a promising young man, and we hear only good reports of his career thus far down to old age.

SUMNER, ANDREW JACKSON, Esq.[9] (Ellis,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. March 2, 1815; m. *Sally Gray* of Providence, R.I., May 4, 1837; cer. by Rev. Wm. S. Balch. She was a dr. of Samuel and Lucy Gray; birth-date not given. Their chn. were, —

ALMON A., b. Jan. 28, 1838; d. after mge., Titusville, Pa., May 27, 1865.
LEONORE M., b. March 26, 1840; m. Edson F. Howard, May 22, 1861.
JANE A., b. Nov. 30, 1841; m. Oliver T. Whiting, Boston, Dec. 13, 1866; he d. Aug. 16, 1868.
ANNETTE G., b. Nov. 10, 1843; not informed concerning her.
ARTHUR E., b. Oct. 28, 1845; partner in business with his fr., Mil.

A. J. Sumner is an intelligent, judicious citizen, and stands high in community. He has served it acceptably in many of its most responsible offices, and continues to do so. Besides municipal trusts, he has held commission, since Feb. 2, 1857, among our justices of the peace. He deservedly enjoys a large measure of public and private confidence.

SUMNER, ALBERT MUNROE[9] (Ellis,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Dec. 15, 1826; m. *Deborah Sweet Greenman*, dr. of Silas P. and Ann (Gardner) Greenman, b. So. Kingston, R.I., May 25, 1826; cer. Marlboro', Dec. 15, 1847, by Rev. Benjamin H. Davis. Issue: —

CLARENCE AUGUSTIN, b. Sept. 16, 1847; m. Estelle Sophia Claflin, Oct. 18, 1871.
MEDORA ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 3, 1851; m. George E. Hastings, Nov. 29, 1871.
FLORA OLIVIA, b. Jan. 25, 1855; m. Clarence E. Kibby, Jan. 25, 1876.
ANNIE LOUISE, b. April 16, 1858; unm.; res. with parents.

This family take reputable rank in society; and the fr., though less distinguished in public life, is a worthy citizen, and highly respected. The parents have been residing latterly with their chn. in Davenport and Audubon, Ia., but are expected ere long to return to Mil.

Madora E. and hus., George E. Hastings, moved to Davenport, Ia., in 1873, and thence to Audubon, Ia., in the fall of 1880; 2 chn.: —

RUBIE JENNIE, b. July 12, 1874.
ALFRED HULL, b. March 23, 1876.

Flora Olivia and hus., Clarence E. Kibby, moved to Davenport, Ia., in 1876, and thence to Audubon, Ia., March 31, 1881; 3 chn.: —

ALBERT SUMNER, b. Jan. 29, 1877.
GERTRUDE ANNIE, b. March 25, 1879.

GEORGE EUGENE, b. July 23, 1880.

SUMNER, LOVETT HAVEN[9] (Emory,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. June 19, 1820; m. *Mary A. Jenness*, Sept. 25, 1849; cer. by Rev. Joseph Whitman. She was a dr. of William and Olive (Briggell) Jenness, birth-date not given. They have 1 dr.:—

SARAH ELIZABETH, birth-date not given; m. Lorenzo J. Perrigo, Nov. 15, 1871.

Mr. Perrigo is the son of Warren C. and Lorany (White) Perrigo. He and his wf., Sarah Elizabeth, have only a dr.; viz., —

LENA GRACE PERRIGO, b. Mil., July 10, 1873.

SUMNER, SULLIVAN CLARK[9] (Clark,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Feb. 9, 1836; m. *Sarah E. Mayhew*, Oct. 7, 1857; cer. by Rev. James T. Woodbury. She was the only dr. of Hon. Aaron C. and Olivia L. (Sumner) Mayhew, Mil., b. July 26, 1835. Their chn. were, —

FRANK M., b. Oct. 6, 1860; d. Oct. 11, 1862, a. 2 yrs. 5 ds.

MARY, b. Aug., 1863.

ANNIE, b. Feb. 23, 1867.

Mr. S. inherits excellent talents and social standing, is an expert in whatever he turns his hand to, is a devoted member of the Masonic fraternity, and has a fine family.

SUMNER, ALMON A.[10] (Andrew Jackson,[9] Ellis,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Jan. 28, 1838; m. *Mary E. Johnson*, Sept. 3, 1861; cer. by Rev. George Hill. She was a dr. of Nathan C. and Elizabeth Johnson, Mil. They had 1 son:—

EDWIN JOHNSON, b. Dec. 7, 1862; d. Feb. 7, 1870.

The fr. d. at Titusville, Pa., May 27, 1865. Mrs. Mary, his wid., m., 2d, Andrew Franklin; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 25, 1868, by the writer. No further informed.

SUMNER, ARTHUR E.[10] (Andrew Jackson,[9] Ellis,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Oct. 28, 1845; m. *Mary F. Joy* of Malden, Nov. 16, 1865; cer. by Rev. Thomas J. Greenwood. Full family record expected, but not received. Obliged to halt here.

SUMNER, CLARENCE A.[10] (Albert M.,[9] Ellis,[8] Ebenezer,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Daniel,[5] Ebenezer,[4] George,[3] William,[2] William[1]), b. Sept. 16, 1847; m. *Estelle Sophia Claflin*, Mil., Oct. 18, 1871; cer. by Rev. G. L. Demarest. She was a dr. of Ethan C. and Roxana S. (Harrington) Claflin, b. Dec. 12, 1851. Issue:—

A SON, nameless, b. Oct. 8, 1872; d. same day.

BERTHA LOUISE, b. Jan. 4, 1874.

LILLA MARION, b. Feb. 26, 1879.

Promising family. Mr. Sumner is a man of talent, enterprise, and business tact. He was for several yrs. clerk in the manufacturing establishment of Capt. Elbridge Mann. In March, 1879, he purchased certain proprietary rights of Capt. Mann, and went into business on his own account. He has since been successfully manufacturing the "Mann and Howard" patent crimping-screws, the "Perfection" patent Rubstick for crimpers, crimping brakes, boot-trees, forms, etc., — goods sold in all parts of the U. S. and Canada, wherever boots are manufactured. They are in very high repute, and increasing demand.

SWAN, ALBERT FRANCIS[3] (Willard,[2] Duty[1]), b. in No. Bellingham, Feb. 21, 1834; mr.'s maiden name Ann Burlingame; carpenter; m. *Mary Eliza*

Aldrich, dr. of Arnold and Diana A. (Cass) Aldrich, b. in ——; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Dec. 27, 1865, by Rev. John Boyden. Their chn.:—

GEORGE ELWOOD, b. Mendon, Feb. 29, 1868; d. Oct. 15, 1869.

JOSEPHINE ALBERTIE, b. Mendon, Oct. 7, 1873; d. Oct. 15, 1880.

Worthy, much bereaved, but hope-consoled parents. They have res. in town 10 yrs. Mr. Swan is a skilful and executive joiner, mostly employed in the Hopedale machine-shop. I remember his grandparents, Duty and Elona Swan of Attleboro', in the days of my boyhood; also his father and mother later in life. He comes of solid ancestry, and honors his lineage.

SWAN, THOMAS, and wf. *Elizabeth*, res. here in 1836, and had an infant dr., Catherine, who d. April 20 of that yr., a. 2 yrs. But whence they came or whither went, I get no intimation.

SWASEY, NATHANIEL, and wf. *Hannah*, pedigrees untraced; he b. in Dover, N.H., Jan. 21, 1791; and she b. in the same place, July 15, 1788; came to res. at Hopedale in May, 1852. They became members of the Community, and remained such several yrs. They brought along with them their youngest unmarried dr., *Hannah Horn Swasey*, who d. here very suddenly, Dec. 7, 1853, a. 28 yrs. Mr. Swasey himself d. Sept. 2, 1867, in his 77th yr. A few yrs. later Mrs. Hannah, his wid., removed to San Francisco, Cal., where some of her chn. and relatives dwelt. She was a woman of remarkable vigor and judgment, sustaining a very green old age. She has made one visit across the continent to her eastern friends, and is still smart at ninety.

SWASEY, FRED, our skilful and popular architect, Jefferson Block; m. *Emma Diana Barker*, Oct. 24, 1877; 1 dr.:—

LILLIAN PARKHURST, b. Mil., June 12, 1878.

SWASEY, GEORGE E., book-keeper, Directory, 1880.

SWEET, STEPHEN, son of Jonathan and Jerusha Sweet, b. Aug. 1, 1802; m. *Caroline Cook*, dr. of Peter and Amy (Sumner) Cook, b. Mil., April 1, 1807; cer. Aug. 30, 1823, by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Issue:—

BERIAH, b. April 8, 1824; d. Sept. 25, 1835.

DIANA, b. Oct. 30, 1825; d. Oct. 20, 1826.

MONROE, b. April 11, 1827; d. May 19, 1832.

SUMNER, b. Oct. 3, 1829; m. Caroline Boynton, April 4, 1858.

STEPHEN, Jun., b. Dec. 12, 1831; unm.; res. Mil.; trader.

MARCELLUS, b. Oct. 30, 1836; d. Feb. 19, 1859.

ELIZA, b. Oct. 15, 1838; d. May, 1841.

EMMA C., b. July 8, 1840; m. Benjamin Ward, 1858.

ALBERT HALSEY, b. Nov. 17, 1842; m. Jane Maria Eames, Oct. 27, 1861.

ABBIE ANN, b. June 25, 1845; d. 1847.

Stephen Sweet and wf. were young m. persons when I came into town in 1824, and with slight exceptions have had their home among us, — well-known and respected people. Their record shows a large family sadly desolated by death. Mr. Sweet d. Feb. 19, 1873, a. 70 yrs. 6 mos. 19 ds. Mrs. Caroline, never very healthy, still survives with enduring strength into a good old age.

SWEET, SUMNER[3] (Stephen,[2] Jonathan[1]), b. Oct. 3, 1829; m. *Caroline Boynton*, dr. of Solomon L. and Polly Boynton, b. in Chazy, N.Y., 1828; cer. at Hopedale, April 4, 1858, by the writer. Issue:—

WILLIE S., b. Mil., Aug. 23, 1859; d. April 30, 1860.

IRVING WARREN, b. Mil., June 30, 1861; of good promise.

Quiet, well-disposed, worthy little family.

SWEET, ALBERT HALSEY, son of Stephen and Caroline, our recently established and enterprising druggist, ought not to have slighted my repeated calls for his family record, but has; and I must be silent.

SWEET, ORRIN, a cousin, I think, of Stephen; m. *Sarah Despeaux*, dr. of Jesse, in 1849. He has left me ignorant of his family record. They are worthy of a better notice than this.

SWEET, GEORGE W., since decd., is mentioned in directories of 1856 and 1869.

SWEET, ROXANA, wid. of George W., is mentioned in directories of 1872 and downward.

Several other Sweets also appear in directories of 1872 and downward.

TAFT. The Tafts have long been numerous in Mendon, its offspring towns, Up., etc. They are descendants of Robert and Matthew Taft, understood to have been bros. of an ancient Scotch lineage. Robert and wf. Sarah, with several sons b. in England, set. in Mendon, near Nipmuck Pond, in 1679 or 1680 Matthew and wf. Anna (Quintain) came from Scotland (according to an old family record) with one or two chn., in 1728, and set in the easterly part of Up. The Tafts were prolific, and famous for large families. Few of them have ever inhabited our territory, and most of these are comparatively recent comers. But I observe, by examination of our old tax-lists, that several of them, on the Up. border, were landholders here, and that many of the two lineages, though outsiders, have always been more or less intimately connected with our people. I have posted myself as well as I could in the genealogy of the Tafts, and will try to show in my tabulations the relation of our few to their ancestors. I shall have to include some border families, and may ignorantly omit others that were partially residents on our soil.

TAFT, NATHAN[4] (Solomon,[3] Robert,[2] Matthew[1]), b. May 18, 1777; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Fisher; m. *Lydia Legg*, dr. of Nathaniel and Abigail (White) Legg, birth-date not found; cer. Feb. 25, 1802, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 29, 1804.

NATHANIEL LEGG, b. Sept. 15, 1805.

ARBA, b. Oct. 6, 1807.

GILLESPIE CHAPIN, b. Nov., 1810.

I suppose that Nathan Taft and wf. res. in Up. He d. Dec. 27, 1835. Mrs. Lydia d. Dec. 7, 1843.

TAFT, ARBA[5] (Nathan,[4] Solomon,[3] Robert,[2] Matthew[1]), b. Up., Oct. 6, 1808; m. *Rhoda Fletcher*, dr. of Nathan and Catherine (Morse) Fletcher, b. Aug. 30, 1809; cer. Mil., May 13, 1841, by Rev. William Tozer. Issue:—

LYDIA MARIA, b. June 12, 1842.

LYMAN } (twins), b. June 18, 1845; d. March 17, 1846.
LUCY }

b. June 18, 1845.

I learn no more, except that this family dwelt mostly in Mil.

TAFT, HARVEY FLAGG[5] (Amasa,[4] Solomon,[3] Robert,[2] Matthew[1]), b. Aug. 8, 1810; m. *Prudence D. Adams*, ptge., birth-date, etc. not ascertained; cer. July 20, 1834, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

OLIVIA ALMIRA, b. June 18, 1835; d. Aug. 18, 1873, a. 38 yrs.

EDWIN BLISS, b. May 1, 1837; m., 1st, Sarah L. (Handley) Gore; 2d, Angelia Cook.

CHARLES WARREN, b. Sept. 7, 1839; d. Oct. 28, 1844.

CHARLES ORISON, b. Sept. 7, 1844; m. Vesta Ann Barton, 1864.

Amasa George, b. Feb. 15, 1847; m. Eliza Whittemore, 1871; res. in Mil.

This family has res. mostly, if not always, in Mil. Mr. T. is a farmer, and has long dwelt on West St. An orderly, reputable family.

TAFT, Edwin Bliss[6] (Harvey Flagg,[5] Amasa,[4] Solomon,[3] Robert,[2] Matthew[1]), b. May 1, 1837; clerk and salesman; m., 1st, *Sarah L. (Handley) Gore*, pedigree, etc., not given; cer. May 11, 1867. Issue:—

Cora Inez, b. Mil., Aug. 27, 1868.

Leora May, b. Mil., Dec. 31, 1869.

Mrs. Sarah d. July 29, 1873. The hus. m., 2d, *Angelia Cook*, dr. of Stephen and Diana (Hunt) Cook, b. Mil., Nov. 6, 1849; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 25, 1875, by the writer. Issue:—

Maud Evelyn, b. Mil., Aug. 16, 1877.

An intelligent, worthy, and promising family. Their homestead is on Prospect St.

TAFT, Charles Orison, next youngest bro. of Edwin B.; m. *Vesta Ann Barton;* cer. 1864, no particulars given. Issue:—

Freddie A., b. May 3, 1866.

Flora May, b. 1868, d. Aug. 18, 1870.

Mabel and

Charles Robert, dates not given.

No further information concerning this family. Do not know their present res.

TAFT, Amasa George, youngest son of Harvey F.; m. *Eliza Whittemore*, pedigree and other particulars not given; cer. 1871. Issue:—

Grace Mary, b. 1872; d. July 13, 1874.

Gertrude Mary, b. Oct. 7, 1875; possibly others since the above were reported to me.

Amasa G. is an honest farmer, and res. on West St.

TAFT, Amariah Aulando[6] (Amariah,[5] Jotham,[4] Caleb,[3] Daniel,[2] Robert[1]), b. Mendon, May 15, 1824; mr.'s maiden name Watee Wood; m. *Thankful S. Wilkinson*, dr. of David and Thankful (Sayles) Wilkinson, b. Smithfield, R.I., July 9, 1831; cer. Worcester, Feb. 20, 1854, by Rev. Dr. Alonzo Hill. Issue:—

Jesse A., b. in Mendon, Feb. 8, 1857.

Mr. Taft has res. over 20 yrs. in town, and is widely known as one of our enterprising and solid citizens. He is a bank director, large dealer in real estate, etc. His wf. and only son are worthy of the respectable social standing they enjoy.

TAFT, Frederick Augustus, a descendant of Robert in the 6th or 7th generation; son of James A. and Elmira (Forristall) Taft; b. in Bell., Feb. 8, 1829; m. *Eliza Newton Fitch*, dr. of George W. and Cassandra (Merrill) Fitch, b. in Charlestown, Feb. 12, 1839; cer. Providence, R.I., June 14, 1866, by Rev. Amasa Howard. Issue:—

Fred Arlington, b. July 10, 1868; and Estelle Almira, b. March 15, 1870.

I find Mr. T.'s name in our Directory for 1856, as clerk. He must therefore have res. here some 25 yrs. He is a respectable grocer at 146 Main St., with a worthy wf. and promising chn. Mrs. T. is gt. gd. dr., on her mr.'s side, of Rev. Mr. Merrill, the first minister ordained in Saco, Me.

TAFT, Rufus Augustus, another descendant of Robert in the 6th or 7th generation; son of Elijah and Cynthia W. (Moffitt) Taft, b. Mendon, May 22, 1841; m. *Mary Eugenie Angell*, dr. of Cyrus and Sabra W. (Dexter)

Angell, b. Smithfield, R.I., May 16, 1846; cer. April 30, 1866, by Rev. George W. Stacy. Issue: —

MABEL EMMA and MARY ELLA, twins, b. Mil., April 11, 1868.

Mr. Taft has res. in town prob. over 20 yrs. He is our expert and genial baggage-master on the Boston and Albany R.R., Mil. Branch, with a pleasant and promising family. I find indorsed on the back of his returned family record as follows: "Sabra White Dexter is a direct descendant of Rev. Gregory Dexter, who came from England in 1644. The armorial seal of Gregory Dexter is a heart pierced by two arrows, surmounted by a crown; as shown in the "Dexter Genealogy' printed in the yr. 1859."

TAFT, AMOS, another descendant of Robert in prob. the 6th generation, has dwelt in town several yrs., and has a family; but he has not given me his family record, so I am unable to inscribe it on these pages.

TAFT, RICHARD, EDWARD, and JOHN, for several yrs. res. in town, all masons by trade, are immigrants from Ireland or England. No report of their family records enables me to say more.

A few others of the name, more or less transient dwellers, are omitted. Much collected data relating to neighboring families also omitted. I have long had many friends among the Tafts; having solemnized 42 mges. in their families, and ministered at 53 funerals.

TAYLOR, Rev. EZEKIEL, pedigree, etc. untraced, res. first in Grafton, and later as a set. clergyman in Newfane, Vt.; m. *Sarah Frost*, dr. of Rev. Amariah and Esther (Messinger) Frost, b. in our Precinct, May 24, 1751; cer. March 30, 1774, by Rev. A. Frost. Mrs. Sarah (Frost) Taylor was recd. into full communion with her fr.'s ch. here, Dec. 4, 1774. She had a son bap. here; viz., SIMON, March 29, 1778. The family no further traced.

TAYLOR, EZEKIEL, son of Joseph and Diadama (Sprague) Taylor, b. in No. Scituate, R.I., Sept. 14, 1810; engineer; m. *Adelia Nelson*, dr. of Nathaniel T. and Silence (Kenny) Nelson, b. New York City, Oct. 13, 1824; cer. in Mil., Nov. 6, 1842, by Rev. William Bell. Their chn.: —

FAYETTE, b. Mil., July 10, 1843; d. at the a. of 14 days.

ELLA MARIA, b. Mil., May 13, 1847; d. Sept. 14, 1847.

EMMA F., b. Mil., Oct. 24, 1851; milliner, 101½ Main St.

Of good repute, to the best of my knowledge. Res. Mil., except 3 yrs. in Valley Falls, R.I.

TAYLOR, LEVI, b. in Sutton, was with the Community at Hopedale from Dec. 23, 1844, to April 28, 1847; an unm. man; ptge. not remembered. He d. several yrs. ago.

"TAYLOR, HARRISON, boot-click, house Leonard St," sends me no family record.

"TAYLOR, JAMES A., farmer near Deerbrook," reports nothing.

TAYLOR, THOMAS B., inspector of rings some yrs. at Hopedale, now res. in California. Other transient Taylors, that have come and gone, need no notice here.

TENNEY, THOMAS[3] (Daniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Rowley, 1681, and came into these parts some time previous to 1720. I have given these antecedents on strong presumptive evidence, with slight doubts of possible mistake, all things considered. I suspect that Thomas[3] must have had a wf. and 1 son before 1720, though Mendon records do not say so. I infer this from the facts that those records show him to have m. *Sarah Taft*, May 20, 1720, whose first b. son was Thomas, jun., May 13, 1721; yet in his will, made in

1746, at an "advanced age," he names as his oldest son "Moses." Whether he brought his 1st wf. and oldest son with him, or only the son, I have no data for determining. He was m., as aforesaid, May 20, 1720, by Rev. Joseph Dorr. And taking Mendon records, together with his will, I make his chn. to have been, —

Moses, birth-date not found; m., 1st, Susanna ——; 2d, Hannah Whitney.
Thomas, Jun., b. May 13, 1721; m. Abigail Bullen of Medway, Dec. 6, 1744.
Isaac, b. Feb. 22, 1723; m. Susanna Whitney, June 25, 1752.
Daniel, b. Dec. 22, 1728; no further traced; perhaps d. young.
Elizabeth, birth-date not found; m. William Legg, Jan. 18, 1759.
Phebe, birth-date not found; m. Ichabod How of Brookfield, May 4, 1748.

Thomas Tenney owned and dwelt on what, in after times, got the name of "Noah Wiswall place." Of whom he made his first purchase does not appear; but from March 9, 1720, to March 7, 1745, he made repeated additions to his acres, by taking up parcel after parcel from common lands, till at length he acquired a large farm, extending north and south from the Cedar Swamp to the foot of Bear Hill, with an ample width east and west. This estate passed, at his death, into the possession of his son Isaac. He must have been a man of enterprise and energy. I have not found the date of his death; but it is indicated, by the probate of his will, to have taken place not far from 1746. That will is a very interesting one; and I should be tempted to insert it, had I not decided to exclude such documents from this work. He made his wf. executrix. Her death-date not found.

TENNEY, Moses[4] (Thomas,[3] Daniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. prob. in Rowley; date not ascertained; m., 1st, *Susanna* (no particulars found), of whom were born, —

Josiah, b. Sept. 24, 1734.
Stephen, b. June 7, 1736; d. June 22, 1737.

Mrs. Susanna d. Aug. 30, 1736. The hus. m., 2d, *Hannah Whitney* of Uxbridge; cer. March 16, 1738. Their chn.: —

Moses, Jun., b. Oct. 17, 1740; m. Lovice Lesure, 1797; he was then of Up.
Samuel, b. Oct. 10, 1741; untraced.
Joshua, b. April 1, 1745; untraced.
Sarah, b. March 23, 1747; untraced.
Susanna, b. Nov. 24, 1750; untraced.
Phebe, b. Sept. 8, 1755; untraced.

Moses Tenney was one of the original members of the new Cong. ch. formed here April 15, 1741; and his wf. joined in 1744. All their chn., above named, were duly bap. They dwelt, if I mistake not, on what is now called Highland St., in the near vicinity of the Cleveland place: but I cannot make out the precise spot. He d. June 2, 1770. When or where Mrs. Hannah d., I have not ascertained. This whole family disappear from my available records soon after 1770; and I have not further traced them, except Moses to Up., as above.

TENNEY, Thomas, Jun.[4] (Thomas, sen.,[3] Daniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 13, 1721; m. *Abigail Bullen* of Medway, Dec. 6, 1744. They had 1 child bap. here; viz., —

Samuel, April 6, 1746.

They then moved into Holl., where they raised up a large family, — some 8 or 9 in all.

TENNEY, Isaac[4] (Thomas, sen.,[3] Daniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 22, 1723; m.

Susanna Whitney, dr. of Jonathan and Lydia (Jones) Whitney, b. Feb. 12, 1728; cer. Jan. 25, 1752, by Rev. Amariah Frost. I found no chn. credited to this pair on Mendon records. But in Rev. Mr. Frost's record of baptisms I find 2; viz., —

RUTH, bap. May 13, 1753; untraced.

JONATHAN, bap. April 20, 1755; untraced.

Isaac inherited his fr.'s farm, the Noah Wiswall place, afterwards so called. Both he and his wf. were members of the Cong. ch. His death-date not found. Mrs. Susanna, his wid., m. Noah Wiswall; cer. April 11, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. See Wiswall.

There was a LYDIA TENNEY, who m. to *Jonathan Forrestall;* cer. Nov. 8, 1781, by Rev. A. Frost. The records do not show who she was. She must, I think, have been a dr. either of Moses or his bro. Isaac. I conjecture, from her name, that she was a dr. of Isaac and Susanna (Whitney), but am not sure.

TENNEY, MOSES, Jun.[5] (Moses,[4] Thomas,[3] Daniel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Oct. 17, 1740; m. *Lovice Lesure*, 1797; no further particulars given. Issue in this town: —

BENJAMIN, b. Jan. 11, 1800.

WILLIAM, b. Feb. 8, 1802.

ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 17, 1804.

JOSHUA, b. Sept. 24, 1813.

No further traces of this family found. The hus. and fr., when his intentions of mge. were published, is said to have been of Upton. Being of middle age when m. to Lovice Lesure, he may have been previously m., and had chn. by a former wf. But I learn no more of his history.

THAIN, THOMAS, ancestry and birth-date not ascertained; m. *Miranda Cook*, dr. of Whipple and Lucy (Darling) Cook, b. in Franklin, April 18, 1799; cer. Jan. 5, 1826, by Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Emmons. They came to this town between 1835 and 1840. Not far from the latter date, they set. on the Capt. Ezra Nelson farm, which they occupied for several yrs. They subsequently removed to W. Wrentham, where, at length, if I rightly remember, he d. I believe Mrs. Miranda, his wid., still survives, perhaps in Franklin. Some of their chn. have d., and the surviving ones are set. in various localities. The parents had recorded here the following-named chn.: —

CHARLES ALEXANDER, b. May 8, 1826; m. Evelina L. Spooner, Wrentham, 1849.

ELIZA MARION, b. Feb. 26, 1828; m. Clarendon Taft of Mendon.

WILLIAM WALLACE, b. April 18, 1829; untraced.

THOMAS GREEN, b. May 6, 1831; untraced.

GILBERT MORTIMER, b. April 3, 1833; untraced.

MARCUS MORTON, b. April 8, 1835; d. Oct. 10, 1843.

SAMUEL, b. May 2, 1838; untraced.

EUGENE, b. Oct. 15, 1839; untraced.

ELLEN, b. March 23, 1842; untraced.

I might have communicated with some member of this family, and posted myself in its genealogical data; but, in the multiplicity of similar researches, omitted to do so. It was worthy of more attention, and I could not do less than give the above from the town records.

THAYER. The Thayers take honorable rank among our old, substantial, and influential families. They were early on our soil, and have been a prolific stock, both for home inhabitancy and emigration. They have been mostly, if

not wholly, descendants of Ferdinando, the Mendon patriarch. Fortunately in this, as in a few other cases, I have the guidance and assistance of published genealogies. There are two of these: one by Elisha Thayer of Dedham, and the other by Gen. Bezaleel Thayer of Mexico, N.Y. Elisha Thayer's is a small volume, including, with the Thayers, thirteen other families, and was pub. in 1835. Gen. Bezaleel's is a large and elaborate work of over 700 pp. It was pub. in 1874, and contains a vast multitude of names. Both vols. have been kindly lent me by friends, and have afforded me much help. According to these authors, all the Thayers in the United States have descended from Richard and Thomas Thayer, early settlers in Braintree. They are believed to have emigrated from Braintree, Eng., not far from 1630. Richard was made a freeman in 1640; and Thomas, as early as 1636. They appear to have come from the same neighborhood in Eng., and prob. were family relatives. But how near their kinship was, is unknown. It is not claimed that they were bros., though there is no proof of the contrary. The name is said by some to be of German origin, and to signify, in English, *bullock*, or a strong animal of the cow kind. Like most of our surnames, it originated in some peculiar fact or circumstance important enough to distinguish the man who first received it from his neighbors: possibly from his being famous as a cattle-raiser, or a drover of fattened bullocks. The name was formerly written, like most others, in many different ways, — *Thear, Their, Thare, Thayer*, etc. The last orthography finally became universal. Our Thayers are descendants from Thomas of Braintree, through Ferdinando of Mendon. If I find any exceptions, they will be denoted as such.

THAYER, THOMAS,[1] and wf. *Margery*, brought with them from Eng., —

THOMAS, date of birth not given; m., and had 1 son b. in Eng.; set. in Braintree.

FERDINANDO, date of birth not given; one of the original proprietors of Mendon.

SHADRACH, date of birth not given; m. and set. in Braintree.

The fr. made his will June 21, 1664; and it was proved Sept. 13, 1665. His wf. and son Ferdinando were appointed executors. It provided, that, if any of his legatees murmured against it, such should be cut off with barely 5 shillings, and the rest inherit equally all thus forfeited. He d. June 2, 1665. Wid. Margery d. Feb. 11, 1672–73.

THAYER, FERDINANDO[2] (Thomas[1]), m. *Huldah Hayward* of Braintree, Jan. 14, 1652. He continued with his fr. in Braintree until his death, and then removed his family to Mendon, having previously joined the colony from Weymouth and Braintree that constituted the Quinshipaug Plantation. He was one of the richest plantationists, and took a prominent part in the affairs of the settlement. After King Philip's war he was an early re-settler. His homestead is said to have been a short distance down the Providence road south of the town-seat. The chn. of Ferdinando and Huldah Thayer were, —

SARAH, b. Braintree, May 12, 1654; m. Joseph Stevens, 1676; d. 1677.

HULDAH, b. Brain., June 16, 1657; m. Jacob Aldrich, Mendon.

JONATHAN, b. Brain., March 18, 1658; m. and set. Mendon.

DAVID, b. Brain., June 20, 1660; d. Aug. 1, 1674.

NAOMI, b. Brain., Feb. 28, 1662–3; m. John Cook, Mendon.

The birth-dates of the others supposed to have been lost with the records burned by the Indians. They were THOMAS, SAMUEL, ISAAC, JOSIAH, EBEN-

EZER, BENJAMIN, and DAVID 2d. These latter-named chn. were all b. in Mendon. David 2d was bap. there Aug. 29, 1678. According to all accounts, Ferdinando Thayer must have been a very talented, enterprising, and influential man. He held numerous offices, accumulated a large property, especially in lands, and became the venerated patriarch of a numerous posterity. He d. in Mendon, March 28, 1713. His wf. Huldah preceded him, Sept. 1, 1690. As the published Thayer genealogies can be consulted by interested inquirers, I may properly confine my tabulations chiefly to the Thayers of our own territory.

THAYER, JONATHAN[3] (Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Braintree, March 18, 1658; m. *Elizabeth French*, June 22, 1679. Their chn.:—

HEZEKIAH, b. Feb. 8, 1681; d. young.

HULDAH, b. March 11, 1682; m. Benjamin Wheelock, Mend., Dec. 9, 1700.

GRACE, b. Dec. 20, 1684; m. James Wood, Oct. 8, 1723.

DEBORAH, b. Nov. 4, 1687; m. John Albee, Mend., June 6, 1705.

JONATHAN, Jun., b. Dec. 8, 1690; lived and d. on our territory.

ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 10, 1695; m. William White, Mend., Aug. 13, 1721.

The fr. was a farmer, and prob. dwelt several yrs. in old Mendon, but is believed to have set. in the south-east corner of our ter. before the yr. 1707. For the following record stands on the ancient proprietor's book: "Feb. 11, 1707, there was laid out to Jonathan Thayer 20 acres belonging to Ferdinand Thayer's lot, on the west side of Second-bridge River, above Medfield road, bounded southerly on said Thayer's 42 rods, easterly on common 78 rods, northerly on common 42 rods to James Albee's land, westerly upon said Albee's land 78 rods." Just where his domicile stood, I have not ascertained; but it must have been located in the easterly part of So. Mil. district. His wf. Elizabeth d. Oct. 3, 1703. I have sought but found no record of the husband's death. The Suffolk Reg. of Probate ought to indicate it, but prob. I overlooked the settlement of his est.

THAYER, JONATHAN, Jun.[4] (Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 8, 1690; m., 1st, *Sarah Bailey*, 1710. They had one dr.; viz., SARAH, b. Jan. 9, 1711; m. Richard Rockwood, Feb. 12, 1730. Mrs. Sarah (Bailey) Thayer d. 1712. The hus. m., 2d, *Bethiah Chapin*, Oct. 1, 1714. Their chn. were,—

GRACE, b. Aug. 31, 1715; m. Joseph Holbrook.

JONATHAN, b. Feb. 27, 1717; m. Mary Warfield, July 12, 1738. No further traced.

BETHIAH, b. March 5, 1719; d. Sept. 26, 1726.

DEBORAH, b. Aug. 11, 1720; d. 1730.

PATIENCE, b. Sept. 10, 1723; m. John Legg, Mend., May 10, 1747.

SETH, b. July 27, 1725; set., lived, and d. on our ter. See forward.

CALEB, b. Jan. 29, 1726; m. Elizabeth Daniels, Oct. 13, 1756; emigrated.

HULDAH, b. March 26, 1729; m. Job Warfield, Mend., June 12, 1751.

DEPENDENCE, b. Feb. 1, 1731; m. Hannah Thompson; set. Bell.; moved to Charlemont, 1763.

DEBORAH, b. April 15, 1732; m., 1st, John Rockwood, Mend., March 21, 1750; 2d, —— Gates.

EXPERIENCE, b. Oct. 22, 1733; m. Israel Brown, Mend., Feb. 15, 1753.

Mrs. Bethiah d. 1734. The hus. m., 3d, *Rachel Holbrook*, Sept. 4, 1735. Their chn. were,—

ASAHEL, b. Oct. 17, 1737; m. Esther Daniels, April 25, 1759; moved to Heath 1763.

BETHIAH, 2d, b. June 28, 1742; m. Nathaniel Perry, May 26, 1763.

I am not certain where this Jonathan Thayer had his homestead, but think it must have been in the south-easterly part of our then Precinct. He d. April 27, 1747. I undertook to digest the record of the settlement of his est. in Worcester Reg. of Probate, but could not do so to my satisfaction. Death-date of his last wife not found.

THAYER, SETH[5] (Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 27, 1725; m. *Judith Thayer* of Braintree, 1751. She was a dr. of John Thayer, jun., and Lydia (Wales) Thayer, b. Dec. 25, 1734. They were 3d cousins, and their children were, —

ELIZABETH, b. Dec. 31, 1752; m., 1st, Samuel Wilbur Heath, 1772; 2d, Jacob Hayward, 1786.

HANNAH, b. April 10, 1754; m. Abner Leland, Holl., Jan. 10, 1774.

JUDITH, b. July 4, 1756; m. David Chapin, 1777.

JOSHUA, b. Feb. 12, 1759; m. Sarah Curtis of Holl., Jan. 15, 1780.

JOTHAM, b. Feb. 1, 1761; m. Bathsheba Wheelock, Aug. 29, 1784.

EXPERIENCE, b. March 5, 1763; m. Nathan Wood, Mil., April 22, 1784.

SETH, b. July 27, 1765; m. and set. in Mil., Bear-hill district.

ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 8, 1767; m. Jacob Hayward, Dec. 19, 1816.

UEL, b. May 7, 1770; m. Lydia Wiswall, Oct. 4, 1798; moved to N. Y. State, 1816.

These parents, if I am not misinformed, had their homestead in the Bear-hill district, and raised their large family there. They became members of the Cong. ch. in 1753, and led an exemplary life, as I shall presume to say, in all their relations. He d. of apoplexy quite suddenly, May 24, 1803. He was known as Lieut. Seth. Death-record of his wife not found.

THAYER, Joshua[6] (Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 12, 1759; m. *Sarah Curtiss*, Holl., June 15, 1780; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Parentage and birth-date not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

BETHIAH, b. Aug. 8, 1781; m. Elihu Hemingway, Holl., Jan. 2, 1803.

CHAPIN, b. Nov. 14, 1783; m. Tryphena Montague, 1813, and set. Hadley, etc.; d. 1832.

JACOB H., b. Aug. 9, 1786; d. 1816.

SARAH, b. May 10, 1789; m. John Brown.

ACHSA, b. April 6, 1792; d. Dec., 1812.

JUDITH, b. May 15, 1794; m. Elam Carter; d. Dec. 13, 1817.

MARTHA, b. Dec. 17, 1797; d. young.

JOSHUA, b. April 6, 1799; set. in Barnstable; woollen manufacturer.

ELIZABETH, b. Dec. 5, 1803; m. Almond Hemingway, May 12, 1825.

Situation of homestead not definitely ascertained; prob. in south-easterly section of Bear-hill district. The fr. d. Dec. 2, 1811; the mr. April 20, 1822.

THAYER, JOTHAM[6] (Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 1, 1761; m. *Bathsheba Wheelock*, Aug. 29, 1784; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Josiah and Experience (Clark) Wheelock, b. Dec. 14, 1760. Their chn. were, —

ALEXANDER, b. Oct. 7, 1785; grad. H. U., 1812, M.D.; set. Natick; d. 1825; m. a Bigelow.

LUCRETIA, b. July 29, 1787; m. John Ellsworth; set. Hardwick on a farm.

EXPERIENCE, birth-date unrecorded; m. Benjamin Gibbs, Mil., June 3, 1821.

DENCY, birth-date unrecorded; m. Darius D. Farnum, July 6, 1820; woollen manufacturer.

Homestead supposed to have been in the easterly section of the town. Death-dates of the parents not found.

THAYER, SETH, Jun.[6] (Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 27, 1765; m., 1st, *Elizabeth Daniels*, Holl., April 27, 1786; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. Her married life must have been brief. He m., 2d, *Sarah Holbrook*, Bell., April 19, 1790; particulars of cer., etc., not found. Their chn. were, —

LUCINDA, b. Jan. 13, 1791; m. Luke Aldrich, Mendon, Nov. 23, 1820.

ZEBINA, b. Oct. 31, 1792; grad. Yale Col., 1817; drowned soon, bathing in Mississippi River.

RUFUS, b. Feb. 22, 1795; m. Pedee Albee, and d. on the old homestead.

SARAH, b. Jan. 28, 1797; m. Isaac Crosby, Nov. 15, 1818.

BETSEY, b. Jan. 8, 1799; m. Schuyler Reading, March 31, 1822; both soon d.

STEPHEN HOLBROOK, b. Dec. 23, 1800; merchant, Cincinnati, O.; twice m.; still living.

SETH, b. March 5, 1803; merchant, Holl.; m. Clarissa Whitney; he still survives.

The family homestead north of Bear Hill, last inherited by the late Rufus Thayer, was occupied by two or three successive generations, who all sustained a reputable standing in society. Seth, jun., as I have called him, is sometimes designated on the records as "Ensign" and "Lieut." He was a well-to-do farmer of the old school. Both he and his wf. were steadfast members of the Cong. ch. He d. April 17, 1819; and she Jan. 1, 1823.

THAYER, RUFUS[7] (Seth,[6] Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 22, 1795; m. *Experience (Pedee) Albee*, Mil., Dec. 7, 1820; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Abel and Annah (Wood) Albee, b. April 11, 1792. They had 2 chn.: a nameless infant, d. from the womb; CATHERINE, b. May 27, 1827; d. Aug., 1866.

Worthy people. He d. 1872. His wid. d. Aug., 1877.

THAYER, UEL[6] (Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. May 7, 1770; m. *Lydia Wiswall*, Oct. 4, 1798; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was the eldest dr. of Timothy and Diadama (Daniels) Wiswall, b. June 3, 1774. Their chn. were, —

AUGUSTA, b. March 2, 1801; m. Otis Hews, 1821; and set. Springfield, N.Y.

THOMAS, b. 1802; d. March 6, 1803.

ELBRIDGE, b. Oct. 22, 1805; set. in Lee, N.Y.

NATHAN, b. Nov. 11, 1808; set. in Lee, N.Y.

ELIZABETH, b. July 23, 1816; m. Ralph Hews, 1836, and set. Leroy, N.Y.

I am not informed just where this family dwelt. The parents moved in the fall of 1816 to Lee, Oneida Co., N.Y., and thence soon after to Yates, Orleans Co. He died in Linden, N.Y., Oct. 20, 1849; and his wf. in the same place Feb. 28, 1863.

THAYER, STEPHEN H.[7] (Seth,[6] Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Dec. 23, 1800; m., 1st, *Harriet Aldrich*, dr. of Luke Aldrich, b. in Mendon; cer. Dec. 16, 1827. They had, —

FLORA, birth-date not given; d. in Cincinnati, O., July 7, 1844.

Stephen H. was for several years a cloth-manufacturer in Millville, and then removed his family to Cincinnati, O., where he went into business as a merchant. He came East on a visit two or three years ago, and made me a brief call. I think he informed me that Mrs. Harriet, his wf., d. a few yrs. since, that he had no child left by her living, and that he had m. a 2d wife. I ought to have made accurate memoranda of his family record, but neglected to do so. I must therefore leave this general statement as it is. I always esteemed him a

worthy man, and my personal friend. He was still surviving in tolerable vigor at last reports.

THAYER, Seth[7] (Seth,[6] Seth,[5] Jonathan,[4] Jonathan,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 5, 1803; was initiated into trade in his youth; set. in Holl.; m. *Clarissa Whitney*, ptge. and birth-date not ascertained; cer. April 20, 1831, further particulars not given. Their chn.:—

Mary Whitney, b. Jan. 15, 1832; d. Sept. 18, 1833.

Charles Henry, b. Oct. 23, 1833; d. Oct. 20, 1834.

I have followed the Thayer "Memorial" in this record. I think Mr. Thayer informed me at one of our recent interviews, that he had been bereaved of his wife, and was in the loneliness of age, wifeless and childless. Of this last, however, I am not quite certain; as I neglected to take memoranda. He has always stood well in society.

THAYER, Ichabod[5] (Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Mendon, March 31, 1721; mr.'s maiden name Miriam Thayer; m. *Hannah Cheney*, wid. of Ebenezer Cheney, whose maiden name was Hannah Bigelow, b. in Weston, 1704; cer. 1742; other particulars not ascertained. There comes down a bit of traditional romance concerning the courtship that led to this marriage. Ichabod had become of age, and was looking around for a sweetheart. He had become slightly acquainted with a prepossessing lass, who dwelt in the extreme northerly part of what is now Milford, and resolved to offer her his hand, should she be willing to accept it. So he started from old Mendon in the early winter, near the close of the week, on his connubial mission. But a driving snow-storm opened upon him; and, when he arrived at what is now the homestead of Justin H. Eames, he was glad to take shelter from the tempest. There dwelt the wid. Hannah (Bigelow) Cheney on the premises of her late husband, with her orphan dr. Silence, who, when grown up, m. Seth Nelson. The storm continued with unabated severity for two or three days. Meantime there sprang up a mutual attraction between the widow and her gallant guest. She was twenty yrs. the oldest, but still ruddy and agreeable; and as Cupid is not easily thwarted, he planted his arrows in their hearts so effectually that a match was ere long consummated. The snow-storm gave Mrs. Hannah an acceptable and willing prisoner. He went no farther in pursuit of a wife. Their chn.:—

Hannah, b. March 10, 1743; d. in infancy.

Ichabod, b. March 6, 1745; m., 1st, Mary Marsh, 1765; Col. Ichabod.

Elijah, b. June 4, 1747; m. Sarah Robinson, Oct. 6, 1768.

Soon after marriage Mr. Thayer purchased what had been the Ebenezer Cheney place, and dwelt there during the rest of his life. Mrs. Hannah d. in March, 1791, a. 95 yrs. The hus. afterwards m. Dorcas Burnett; cer. Jan. 16, 1794, by Amariah Frost, Esq. He d. March 10, 1796, a. 75 yrs. No death-date found of his last wf.

THAYER, Col. Ichabod[6] (Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 6, 1745; m., 1st, *Mary Marsh*; cer. April 25, 1765, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

Hannah, b. Dec. 12, 1765; m. Jonathan Stearns, May 1, 1783.

Asa, b. Oct. 3, 1767; m. Lydia Chapin, Jan. 23, 1791.

Charlotte, b. Aug. 20, 1769; d. Nov. 19, 1776.

Alexander, b. March 15, 1771; m. Elizabeth Spaulding, June 28, 1798; set. Paris, Me.

Arba, b. July 9, 1773; m. Polly White, Nov. 5, 1795; set. Hop.

ZIBA, b. April 23, 1775; d. unm., Oct. 13, 1798.

RUFUS, b. June 11, 1777; m. Hannah Parkhurst, Jan. 18, 1804.

ARZUBA } (twins), b. Nov. 18, 1779; d. Aug. 13, 1813.
CHARLOTTE, 2d } b. Nov. 18, 1779; m. Abner Prentice of Hop., April 26, 1802.

OTIS, b. July 25, 1783; m. Hopestill Scammell, March 17, 1807; he d. 1810.

POLLY, or MARY, b. May 1, 1785; m. Alexander Parkhurst, April 20, 1806; she d. 1822.

ICHABOD, b. Oct. 18, 1787; d. Charleston, S.C., Jan. 1, 1811.

Mrs. Mary d. Jan. 28, 1791; having been the mr. of 12 chn. Col. Thayer m., 2d, *Miriam Jones* or *Johnson*. There is some confusion as to whether her name was Jones or Johnson. The record of "Intentions" says Johnson, but the record of "Marriage Returns" says Jones. I do not find her ptge. under either name indicated. So the family descendants must settle it. Cer., Nov. 11, 1792, by Amariah Frost, Esq. No chn. Mrs. Miriam d. Sept. 22, 1804, in her 63d yr. Col. Thayer m., 3d, *Matilda Gould* of Mendon, March 29, 1806; ptge., birth-date, and particulars of cer. not ascertained. Issue:—

MATILDA, b. Feb. 19, 1808; m. Moreton Newhall, Dec. 20, 1827.

Col. Thayer was one of Milford's most conspicuous citizens in his day. In social standing, the militia, municipal affairs, and as a landholder, he took the foremost rank. The town honored him with several of its most responsible offices. He dwelt on a large farm on Silver Hill, the same (in part) which now constitutes the country-seat of Aaron Claflin, whose deceased wife was one of his gd. drs. The colonel d. March 22, 1820, a. 75 yrs. Mrs. Matilda, his 3d wf., d. in 1842, a. 85 yrs.

As the published "Genealogical Memorial" of the Thayers is full and comprehensive, I shall treat only in a general way of those who emigrated from this town. Hannah, eldest dr. of Col. Ichabod, m. Jonathan Stearns, set. in Hop., had 10 or 11 chn.; m., 2d, Major Burnap, and by him had two more. Asa m. Lydia Chapin of Mil., dr. of Moses and Lydia (Atwood) Chapin; set. in Paris, Me., raised up a considerable family, and d. there Nov. 30, 1848; his wf. in 1843. Alexander m. and set. in Paris, Me.; he had 2 chn., and d. there March 9, 1809. Arba m. as above, and set. in Hop. Of Capt. Rufus, who lived and d. in Mil., I will give the family record in its place. The others are sufficiently mentioned in the parental record, except, perhaps, Ichabod, the youngest, who d. in Charleston, S.C., Jan. 1, 1811. If I rightly understand, he d. unm. But he had a son born out of wedlock by Lucretia Madden, afterwards the wf. of Robert Corbett. His name was Ichabod, and his step-father seems to have made him one of his own family. He removed with the family to Western New York in 1825 or thereabouts. There he m., became an extensive farmer and butter merchant, raised up a goodly family, and in 1873 had retired from a prosperous business; res. at Westfield, Chautauqua Co., N.Y. I mention his case, because the Thayer "Memorial" mixes it confusingly with that of his fr. and gd. fr.

THAYER, Capt. RUFUS[7] (Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. June 11, 1777; m. *Hannah Parkhurst*, dr. of Capt. Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. July 23, 1783; cer. Jan. 18, 1804, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

ZIBA, b. July 25, 1804; m., 1st, Clarinda Taft, 1834; 2d, Angenette Chapin, 1836.

MARY, b. April 10, 1806; m. Aaron Claflin, April 17, 1827; she d. July 18, 1875.

Otis, b. Aug. 19, 1810; m. Ann Maria Legg, May 20, 1838; he d. Nov. 15, 1873.

Augustus, b. April 15, 1813; m. Nancy Pratt, June, 1849; she d. early.

Hannah, b. Feb. 18, 1823; m. Amos W. Webb, May 14, 1845; she d. Oct. 12, 1870.

Capt. Rufus was a prudent carpenter and farmer. He res. on the northerly slope of Silver Hill, where his son Augustus now dwells. He was a highly respected and honored citizen. He was captain of the Mil. Artillery Co. in 1814, when it marched into camp at South Boston. His family, by inheritance and personal worth, occupied a high social standing. He d. Jan. 8, 1850, a. 73 yrs. Mrs. Hannah, his wid., d. Jan. 22, 1852.

THAYER, Ziba[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. July 25, 1804; boot-manufacturer, etc.; m., 1st, *Clarinda Taft* of Upton; ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. 1834, particulars not found. 1 child:—

Clarinda Maria, b. Jan. 8, 1836; her subsequent history to me unknown. Mrs. Clarinda d. Jan. 13, 1835, a. 21 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, Angenette Chapin, dr. of Rufus and Lydia (Tufts) Chapin, b. March 10, 1816; cer. in Mil., March 22, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. 1 child:—

Jennie, b. Nov. 2, 1838; d. Sept. 24, 1840.

Harriet M., adopted, birth-date not found; d. Jan. 3, 1848.

Of reputable family and social standing, strong intelligence, and marked executive business talent. Mr. Thayer d. June 18, 1864, in his 60th yr. Mrs. Angenette, his wid., has ever since distinguished herself by pecuniary enterprise, and the energetic management of her temporal affairs.

THAYER, Otis[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Aug. 19, 1810; boot-manufacturer; m. *Ann Maria Legg*, dr. of Nahum and Anna (Chapin) Legg, b. May 20, 1816; cer. May 22, 1838, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

George, b. Nov. 6, 1839; m. Agnes Lucy Cook, June 12, 1867.

Mary, b. Dec. 9, 1841; d. Dec. 11, 1871.

Gustavus, b. Jan. 16, 1843; d. Aug. 25, 1865.

Charles, b. April 20, 1847; unm.; res. in the parental home.

Rufus, b. April 14, 1850; m. Katie Maria Collins, July 2, 1874.

Annie Juliette, b. Aug. 12, 1851; d. Aug. 20, 1869.

Jennie, b. Sept. 28, 1833; d. Feb. 2, 1857.

Mr. Thayer was an enterprising, judicious business man, a justly respected citizen, reticent in speech, a minder of his own business, a peaceable neighbor, and deservedly loved in the bosom of his family. He d. Nov. 15, 1873, in his 64th yr. His worthy wf. and wd. still survives her many bitter bereavements, calmly trusting in Him whose loving kindness sustains her. She has four gd. chn.; viz., 2 of her son George, and 2 of her son Rufus. See their family records.

THAYER, Augustus[8] (Capt. Rufus,[7] Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 15, 1813; farmer; m. *Nancy (Hastings) Pratt*, wid., dr. of Henry and Beulah (Patterson) Hastings, b. Northboro', July 17, 1815; cer. June 4, 1849, by Rev. Mr. Houghton. 1 child:—

Hannah Annette, b. May 1, 1852; d. Jan. 18, 1853.

Mrs. Nancy d. Aug. 21, 1852, a. 37 yrs. Mr. T. has remained single since his connubial bereavement. He res. on the paternal homestead, north slope of Silver Hill, is a quiet, economical farmer, and a kind, peaceable neighbor, who meddles not with other people's affairs. He is a student of progress, and an

interminable thinker in the line of religious and spiritual philosophy. He runs an independent mind, forms his own conclusions, and abounds in unique ideas, which are so much out of the common ruts of opinion that he finds few to apprehend his exposition of them justly. I believe he was one of the later captains of the Mil. "Lafayette Guards;" but, as he has outgrown the military sphere, I venture to omit his title. He is a man remarkable for his rare qualities.

THAYER, ELIJAH[6] (Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. June 4, 1747; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Bigelow, afterwards the wid. Hannah Cheney; m. *Sarah Robinson*, dr. of Ichabod and Sarah (Mirick) Robinson, b. May, and bap. June 1, 1752; cer. Oct. 6, 1768, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

PHEBE, b. Aug. 17, 1769; m. Alpheus Pond, Dec. 20, 1820.

OLIVE, b. Oct. 14, 1771; m. Levi Chapin, Mil., Nov. 26, 1789.

ARTEMAS, b. April 5, 1774; m., 1st, Elizabeth Jewett; 2d, Mary Coker.

JOEL, b. Sept. 25, 1776; m., 1st, Abby Barstow; 2d, Roxana Smead; mercht., Boston.

JONATHAN, b. Jan. 25, 1779; grad. B. U., 1803; lawyer; m. S. S. Rice; Hon. Prob. Judge, Camden, Me.

NATHAN, b. July 6, 1781; m., 1st, Hannah Jewett; 2d, Mary Jewett; painter; set. Hollis, N.H.

LIBBY, b. Sept. 17, 1783; m. Eli Chapin, Mil., April 4, 1803.

SARAH, b. Dec. 16, 1785; m. Col. Isaac Whitney, Sherb., April 1, 1815.

AMASA, b. Aug. 28, 1788; grad. H. U.; lawyer; set. and m. Westerloo, N.Y.

ELIJAH, Jun., b. Jan. 30, 1791; m. Margaret ——; set. mercht., Boston.

RUBY, b. July 16, 1793; d. May 2, 1796.

HOLLIS, b. May 3, 1797; m. Catherine Walker, Claverack, N.Y.; set. mercht., Boston.

For family records of all the above, who set. outside of Mil., see Thayer "Memorial." Elijah Thayer dwelt on the paternal homestead, now the Justin H. Eames place, and there reared up his large family. He was a thrifty farmer, became a large landholder, accumulated a handsome estate, and was an influential citizen. This family held a reputable social standing, and succeeded prosperously in their various spheres of life. The fr. d. Sept. 12, 1826, a. 79 yrs. The mr. had preceded him him only a few weeks; she d. July 30, 1826.

THAYER, ARTEMAS[7] (Elijah,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 5, 1774; m., 1st, *Elizabeth Jewett*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; cer. Feb. 12, 1806, where or by whom not ascertained. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM ROBINSON, b. March 20, 1808; m. Harriet Legg, Oct. 29, 1840; mercht., Holl.

ELIZABETH SARAH, b. Sept. 19, 1810; m. Abel Pond, Franklin, Oct. 30, 1834.

LOUISA, b. Dec. 29, 1812; remains an intelligent single woman.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. Feb. 27, 1813. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Coker* of Newbury, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. Nov. 10, 1814; further particulars not found. Their chn.:—

MARY PHILLIPS, b. Nov. 5, 1815; d. Dec. 12, 1832.

HARRIET COKER, b. March 25, 1817; d. Feb. 21, 1847.

CHARLOTTE, b. March 20, 1819; d. Jan. 29, 1822.

PHEBE MARIA, b. March 2, 1821; d. Jan. 22, 1852.

ARTEMAS GREENLEAF, b. Feb. 13, 1823; d. July 25, 1851.

Charlotte Augusta, b. May 1, 1825; d. Jan. 14, 1869.

Thomas Bigelow, b. March 20, 1828; m. Josephine B. Claflin, June 1, 1859.

Artemas Thayer dwelt on the old family homestead, the present Justin H. Eames place. He and his household reputably sustained their hereditary respectable standing in society. The death-angel has left but a scanty remnant of them, but these do credit to their ancestry. Mr. Artemas d. Oct. 4, 1845; and Mrs. Mary followed him, Feb. 28, 1852.

Their son, William Robinson, dwelt for several of his latter yrs. in Holl. He d. there, Nov. 6, 1878, leaving his wid., but no chn.

THAYER, Thomas Bigelow[8] (Artemas,[7] Elijah,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. March 20, 1828; mr.'s maiden name Mary Coker; m. *Josephine B. Claflin*, dr. of Aaron and Mary (Thayer) Claflin, b. Feb. 1, 1839; cer. in Brooklyn, N.Y., June 11, 1859, by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. Their chn.:—

William Artemas, b. Aug. 20, 1860; d. Oct. 4, 1862.

Mary Louisa, b. Aug. 24, 1862; d. March 8, 1863.

Edward Claflin, b. Jan. 18, 1864.

Aaron Claflin, b. April 28, 1866.

Essie Charlotte, b. Oct. 29, 1868.

Josephine, b. Nov. 22, 1871.

Mr. Thayer was at one time a mercht. in Cincinnati, O., but for several yrs. past has res. in Milford, successfully engaged with his bro.-in-law in the manufacture of boots and shoes, under the firm name of Claflin & Thayer. They have had a large establishment, and an influential standing in business circles. A family of eminent social standing, that had every thing to render life desirable. But Mr. T. had to battle with a threatening bronchial malady for more than 7 yrs., which finally proved fatal. He bore up under its insidious aggressions with a truly Christian heroism, and surrendered only to the finality when it became him to do so. Then his dying chamber was filled with a serene, spiritual atmosphere, and illuminated with such cheering beams from the heavenly land, that he departed in triumph to the arms of his firmly-trusted Saviour and God. I had a religious interview with him only a few days before he passed on. It was rich with hallowed influences and memories, and a vivid illustration of the poet Young's couplet, —

> "The chamber where the good man meets his fate
> Is privileged beyond the common walk."

He d. Feb. 10, 1881, in the 53d yr. of his age.

THAYER, Ensign Samuel[4] (Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas,[1] half-uncle to our Ichabod[1]), b. 1713; m. 1st, *Keziah Partridge* of Franklin; cer. Dec. 24, 1739. They had 9 chn., and Mrs. Keziah d. 1758. The hus. m., 2d, the wid. *Sarah Robinson*, former wife of Landlord Ichabod Robinson, in now Mil. Centre; cer. Aug. 30, 1759, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

Joel, b. Aug. 23, 1761; m. Susannah Cheney, April 15, 1784.

Samuel, b. Sept., 1763; m. Rachel Nelson, Dec. 9, 1784.

Simeon, b. May 25, 1765; m. Experience Nelson, Dec. 18, 1788.

These, it will be seen, were younger half-bros. of Mrs. Sarah (Robinson) Thayer, wf. of Elijah. I understand that Ensign Samuel, after marrying the wid. Robinson, took up his abode on our territory. I do not seem to find readily the death-dates of himself and his last wf.

Their son Joel m. Susannah Cheney, March 29, 1783, and set. in Orange,

Thomas B. Thayer.

where they had 8 chn., most of whom grew up. Joel d. March 5, 1840; and Mrs. Susannah, Sept. 2, 1848. His bro. Samuel m. Rachel Nelson, Oct. 30, 1784, and set. in Bennington, Vt. They also had 8 chn., who lived to maturity. Mrs. Rachel d. April 2, 1803. Her hus. m., 2d, Dinah Johnson, 1811; no chn. He d. Dec. 26, 1833. The other son, Simeon, m. Experience Nelson, Oct. 28, 1787, and set. Bennington, Vt. They had 11 chn., most of whom reached adult age. Death of the parents not given. Joel, Samuel, and Simeon were all farmers.

THAYER, Capt. LEVI[5] (Ensign Samuel,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. 1752; mr.'s maiden name Keziah Partridge; m. *Hannah Parkhurst*, dr. of Isaac and Lydia (Bigelow) Parkhurst, b. in Mil., 1740; cer. April 25, 1771, by Rev. A. Frost. There is quite a discrepancy in their ages, if all the dates are to be trusted, but not more than half so great as in the case of Ichabod[1] and Hannah (Bigelow) Cheney; so I let it stand. They set. in our Precinct, and had, —

NATHAN, b. Feb. 3, 1772; m. Polly Stowe, 1790, and set. Ann Arbor, Mich.

CHLOE, b. April 16, 1774; m. Hiram Payne, 1797; set. in Pa. or N.Y.

AMASA, b. Nov. 9, 1777; m. Sally Trowbridge, 1804; set. Tioga Co., N.Y.

PHEBE, b. March 1, 1780; m. Hiram Rose, 1809, and set. Ontario Co., N.Y.

LEVI } (twins), b. May 19, 1782; m. Betsey Leonard, 1804; set. Tioga Co., N.Y.
JOEL } b. May 19, 1782; m. Ruth Hudson, 1802; set. Broome Co., N.Y.

HOLLIS, b. Dec. 28, 1784; d. May 2, 1789.

I infer from certain documents I have chanced to see, that Capt. Levi dwelt at one time in the No. Purchase, and kept a store there in the Ball neighborhood. Those documents imply that he was at least partially unsuccessful in business. I may, however, have misunderstood his location as a trader. As to his general character, I obtained no impression for or against. He is said to have d. March 4, 1816; and his wf., Feb. 14, 1832; but where is not told; not hereabouts, I think.

THAYER, Hon. SULLIVAN[7] (Asa,[6] Samuel,[5] Samuel,[4] Thomas,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Uxbridge, April 3, 1792; mr.'s maiden name Mary Murdock; m., 1st., *Charlotte Mowry*, dr. of Wanton and Mary Mowry, b. in Uxbridge, Feb. 13, 1794; cer. Sept. 6, 1814, and set. in Douglas; 1 child: —

ALONZO, b. Sept. 12, 1815; d. Feb. 26, 1816, in Douglas.

Mrs. Charlotte d. Dec. 30, 1815. The hus. m., 2d, *Ruth Mowry* (his 1st wf.'s sister), Jan. 17, 1817. Mrs. Ruth was b. Dec. 23, 1798. Their chn.: —

AUSTIN, b. Marlboro', March 3, 1819; d. Oct. 16, same yr.

SULLIVAN TAFT, b. Marlboro', April 17, 1820; killed in California by fall from horse, April 20, 1860.

CHARLOTTE MOWRY, b. Marlboro', Nov. 23, 1821; m. Samuel W. Wiggins, Nov. 8, 1846; she d. Sept. 20, 1849.

MARY ADELINE, b. Marlboro', Jan. 10, 1824; d. Jan. 27, 1826.

EDWIN STEPHEN, b. Marlboro', June 5, 1826; m. Nancy Barstow, Feb. 28, 1850; res. New Bedford.

ASA, b. Marlboro,' June 2, 1828; d. in Mil., Oct. 2, 1849.

HENRY B., b. Marlboro', March 13, 1832; unm.; talented and trusted; res., Mil. See his war-record.

GEORGE FLAGG, b. Marlboro', March 9, 1834; d. in Ux., Feb. 20, 1835.

MARY JANE, b. Uxbridge, Aug. 23, 1836; d. in Ux., June 2, 1837.

HARRIET LYDIA, b. Uxbridge, May 13, 1838; unm.; res. Mil. with her bro. Henry B.

HERBERT MORTON, b. Uxbridge, Feb. 28, 1840; d. Ux., Jan. 10, 1844.

Sullivan Thayer was a man of much natural ability, acquired intelligence, practical judgment, and solid moral worth. He res. in several different municipalities, — Douglas, Marlboro', Uxbridge, Boston, and last in Mil. In all these he was honored with important official responsibilities, such as deputy sheriff, coroner, post-master, custom-house officer under Morton 4 yrs., etc. In this town he was judge of the police-court from Sept., 1855, to June, 1859. He was justice peace here from Nov., 1850, until his death, Nov. 7, 1865. I need only add that his family always took social rank with the best classes wherever they had their abode. Mrs. Ruth, his wid., d. in Mil., April 4, 1879, a. 80 yrs. 3 mos. and 12 ds.

THAYER, MERRICK, son of Sylvanus and Olive Thayer, pedigree, birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Harriet Howard Warfield*, dr. of Elijah and Lydia (Howard) Warfield, b. in Mil., Feb. 16, 1837; cer. Feb. 20, 1866, by Rev. J. B. Thornton of Mil. Their chn.: —

ELLA MARTHA, b. Dec. 12, 1866.

FRANK EDGAR, b. April 13, 1869.

CLARA LYDIA, b. Feb. 25, 1872.

THAYER, CHARLES[8] (Samuel,[7] Ichabod,[6] Thomas,[5] Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mendon (now Blackstone), June 11, 1836; mr.'s maiden name Keziah Turner; butcher; m. *Sarah Elizabeth Hunt*, dr. of George Washington and Nancy (Harkness) Hunt, b. Mendon (now Blackstone), Dec. 12, 1835; cer. Blackstone, March 8, 1860, by Rev. Thomas E. Bliss. Their chn.: —

MYRA LOUISA, b. Uxbridge, May 12, 1864.

ELWIN } (twins), b. Uxbridge, May 22, 1866.
ELMER }

SADIA ESTELLE, b. Worcester, Feb. 5, 1871.

Mr. T. and family have res. in Slaterville, R.I., Blackstone, Uxbridge, Worcester, Woonsocket, R.I., and latterly at So. Hopedale, Mil., on the remains of the Peter Cook place, in older times the Gershom Nelson place.

THAYER, GEORGE[9] (Otis,[8] Capt. Rufus,[7] Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Nov. 6, 1839; mr.'s maiden name Ann Maria Legg; boot-manufacturer; m. *Agnes Lucy Cook*, dr. of Elbridge G. and Joanna (Wilkinson) Cook, b. 1844; cer. at the parental residence of the bride, June 12, 1867, by the writer. Their chn.: —

ERNEST OTIS, b. Mil., Dec. 26, 1872.

JOANNA COOK, b. Mil., Nov. 20, 1875.

THAYER, RUFUS[9] (Otis,[8] Capt. Rufus,[7] Col. Ichabod,[6] Ichabod,[5] Isaac,[4] Isaac,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 14, 1850; m. *Katie Maria Collins*, b. April 10, 1854; cer. July 2, 1874, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. Their chn.: —

FRANK, b. Aug. 16, 1875.

ANNIE MARIA, b. Aug. 17, 1878.

Mr. T. d. very suddenly March 13, 1881, deeply lamented and honorably commemorated. Many others of this vast family connection have dwelt more or less transiently on our territory. I find several names in our latest directory whose family records I have not obtained. They are the following: —

THAYER, MRS. ABBIE, h. Pearl St., near Main.

THAYER, BENJAMIN, straw-worker, h. Hollis St.

THAYER, CHARLES M., clerk post-office, So. Mil.

THAYER, GEORGE O., painter, h. 22 No. Bow St.

THAYER, HENRY W., bottomer, h. E. Main St., cor. Cedar.

THAYER, ALBERT H., was for several years the skilful manager of Aaron Claflin's Silver-hill farm. He now res. in Blackstone, and will be respectfully remembered by numerous old friends. He was the son of Pelatiah and Alice (Adams) Thayer, both of whom d. in the care of himself and family while at Silver Hill. His lineage runs thus: Albert H.,[8] Pelatiah,[7] Artemas,[6] Pelatiah,[5] John,[4] Thomas,[3] Ferdinando,[2] Thomas.[1]

THAYER, HENRY R., M.D.[8] (Solomon,[7] Jacob,[6] Jacob,[5] Daniel,[4] Nathaniel,[3] Richard,[2] Richard [1]), a well-educated homœopathic physician. He came into town two or three yrs. since, intending to establish himself here in practice, but, being called urgently to a more promising field, continued only a few months. It will be seen above that he descended from Richard of Braintree, the relative of Thomas.

Perhaps I ought not to close without referring to Abigail Faxon Thayer of Braintree once more. She was Milford's earliest select-school preceptress. See Chap. IX., where I have spoken of her in commendatory terms. She was a descendant of Richard, and her lineage ran thus: Abigail Faxon,[7] Nathaniel,[6] Caleb,[5] Nathaniel,[4] Nathaniel,[3] Richard,[2] Richard.[1] Her mr.'s maiden name was Dorcas Faxon. She was b. in Braintree, March 17, 1791, recd. an accomplished education, and became a successful teacher. After her popular services here in that capacity, which terminated in 1820, I think, she returned to Braintree, and m. Phineas Davis, July 22, 1822. It appears, from the Thayer "Memorial," that she bore her hus. 4 chn., 3 of whom were surviving in 1872. No further reported.

THOMPSON, JONATHAN, Jun., and *Jemima Baxter*, both of Bell., were m. by Rev. Amariah Frost, April 10, 1754, and had the following-named chn. bap. by him: AMOS, Aug. 5, 1759; DEBORAH, same date; BAXTER, June 7, 1767; MOSES, April 3, 1763; JONATHAN, June 4, 1769; JEMIMA, June 2, 1771; RACHEL, Aug. 1, 1773; NAHUM, Aug. 2, 1778. I record this family here, because they appear to have belonged among Mr. Frost's people. This Mrs. Jemima is the lady mentioned on p. 79, who finally concluded to transfer her ch. membership to the Baptists, and wanted a recommendation from Mr. Frost's Cong. ch. to the Bellingham Baptist ch. Parson Frost shrewdly worded the recommendation so that it should be void, unless the Baptists recd. her as a truly baptized person, though only *sprinkled*, not *immersed*. Prob. the Baptists let the recommendation slide.

THOMPSON, CHARLES J., son of John and Sarah (Woodman) Thompson; b. in Durham, N.H., July 9, 1827; m. *Fidelia Claflin*, dr. of Aaron and Mary (Thayer) Claflin, b. Mil., Jan. 31, 1829; cer. Oct. 27, 1852, by Rev. Preston Pond, then set. in Boston. Issue: —

IDA F., b. April 23, 1856.

JOHN CLAFLIN, b. Aug. 7, 1862.

The parents res. in Boston two yrs. next after m., and have ever since res. in Mil. Mr. T. is happy to have a Scotch ancestry. He says, "My ancestors were Scotch. They came to New Hampshire about 1630, and set. on lands now in possession of their descendants. My fr. died at the age of 87, and my mr. lived till nearly 92. Mrs. Duston, who was captured by the Indians, and released herself by killing her captors, was an ancestress of mine. A gt. gt. gd. mr. was also captured by the Indians, and released after a captivity of one yr. In the early set. of my native town, there were twelve garrison houses, places of refuge in Indian wars. Three of these are now standing. One of them, belonging to my mr.'s family, is in excellent condition, having been

always well cared for. It forms part of a fine family mansion. The late John S. Woodman, professor of mathematics in Dartmouth College, left it to his wf. My bro. has an old spear, very rude and awkward, made by some unskilled smith. This was taken from an Indian in 1696, I think. My gt. gd. fr. always kept it over his great fireplace. These and many other things interest me, but cannot others as much." Mr. T. has been blessed with an excellent wf. and promising chn. He possesses talents and educational qualifications of a high order, has been favored with rare opportunities of personal attainment, and has been honored by his fellow-citizens with responsible positions on their school-board. He has nothing to be so anxious for as to become nobly true to his own best convictions and aspirations. He will thus realize to his numerous friends the fulfilment of many earnest prayers.

THOMPSON, CHARLES BENJAMIN, son of Levi and Eliza (Briggs) Thompson; b. in Ux., Dec. 1, 1837; boot and shoe merchant; m. *Jennie Holmes*, dr. of William and Philena (Stearns) Holmes, b. Slaterville, R.I., Oct. 18, 1840; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., Sept. 29, 1863, by Rev. David Ela. Issue: —

WALTON EDMOND, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Aug. 4, 1864; d. Mil., Dec. 6, 1879.

CHARLES FREDERICK, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Aug. 22, 1866; d. Mil., May 17, 1874.

LILLIAN ELIZA, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Aug. 14, 1868.

ARTHUR ERNEST, b. Woonsocket, R.I., Aug. 4, 1870; d. May 5, 1874.

EDITH MAY, b. Mil., Mass., April 23, 1875; d. June 24, 1877.

HARRY ELMER, b. Mil., Mass., Oct. 30, 1876; d. June 27, 1877.

ETHEL MAY, b. Mil., Mass., Jan. 19, 1878; d. March 3, 1878.

What a succession of bereavements! What desolation below! What a transfer to the heavenly mansions! An excellent family, respected and sympathized with by many friends. Mr. T. came to Mil. from Woonsocket, R.I., 8 or 9 yrs. ago, and with his bro. Moses opened their boot and shoe store, 114 Main St. They have been eminently honorable dealers, and well patronized.

THOMPSON, MOSES, son of Levi and Eliza (Briggs) Thompson, b. Uxbridge, Oct. 29, 1844; remains unm. He thinks his gt. gd. fr.'s name was Elisha, and understands him to have been among the earliest settlers on the southern border of Uxbridge, near Shockalog Pond. There he had to plant and cultivate his fields with his gun by his side to protect himself from the prowling, hostile Indians, and once used it with deadly effect on a stealthy invader. His gd. fr. was Benjamin Thompson, who m. Eunice Morse, and had 18 chn. They dwelt in Uxbridge, on an ample homestead. His fr.'s family numbered 9 chn. I will not pause to give their names. He says the family tradition is, that their lineage descended from a *Thomson*, who was a Danish soldier in Great Britain, and m. in Wales a Welsh wf. centuries ago. How the *p* got into the name, he has never heard. Mr. T. himself was afflicted with a limb-disease in his youth, which caused him the loss of one leg; but he moves about with more alacrity than some who enjoy the use of their natural two. He is an intelligent, gentlemanly, and worthy man. He has recently dissolved partnership with his bro., and I am not apprised of his present business position.

THOMPSON, GILBERT, son of William V. and Harriet (Gilbert) Thompson, b. in So. Mendon, now Blackstone, March 21, 1840; came to Hopedale, along with his mr. (who joined our Community), in 1849; served apprenticeship, etc., in our printing-office 4 yrs.; enlisted at Boston in the U. S. regular army, in a corps of topographical engineers, Nov. 23, 1861; served

in that department 3 yrs., and, after an honorable discharge, was engaged by government to continue in the same business, in which he has remained till the present time. He m. *Mary McNeal*, pedigree, etc., not given; cer. Washington City, Oct., 1869. Issue:—

Amy Grier, b. Washington, D.C., Aug. 14, 1872.

Mr. T. has had a successful career in life. He is not only a man of sterling intellectual capabilities, but of generous sentiments, noble moral principles, and of unswerving integrity. As a civil and military engineer, he has won distinction and golden commendations.

An interesting and valuable article appeared in "The American Journal of Science," vol. xix., May, 1880, by G. K. Gilbert, on "The Outlet of Lake Bonnville." This name, "Bonnville," is the name given to a vast body of water, presumed by geologists to have once covered the desert basins of Utah to the height of a thousand feet above the present level of Great Salt Lake. In that article the author thus speaks of our Mr. Thompson: "After the publication of my former article, I learned that the outlet had been independently discovered by my friend, Mr. Gilbert Thompson; and I am glad to give him credit. Mr. Thompson is not a professed geologist, but he is an expert topographer; and his close study of the natural forms, which it is his work to delineate, has more than once led to observations valuable to the geologists with whom he has been associated. I quote the following from his letter dated April 10, 1878: 'Thanks for your *brochure*, "The Ancient Outlet of Great Salt Lake." The past season I was along the northern limits of the ancient lake, between 111° and 112°, 22′, 30″, and was absolutely ignorant of your examination of 1876, and its results. I was very much interested in the general subject of its limits, and also of its outlet. Toward the last of the season, as I surveyed from the north the road through Red Rock Pass, after noting the remarkable topographical features of Marsh Creek, and keeping a close run of the profile as given by the aneroid, I was delighted at Red Rock to see unmistakable evidences of the ancient outlet of Great Salt Lake. Thus you may have the gratification of knowing of an independent and entirely unbiased verification of your determinations on this point; and it is nowhere else within the limits I have mentioned.'"

Mr. T. has been on topographical service in Utah for several yrs., and is still there.

THURBER, Daniel, M.D., an eminent physician and honored public citizen, was long settled just over our border at So. Mil., in the easterly part of Mendon. His practice was very extensive throughout this general region, and in Mil. he was regarded as one of its resident citizens. He was one of the most popular, trusted, and beloved physicians that ever gladdened our sick-chambers. He was a native of Rehoboth, and its town-clerk furnished me the leading data of his pedigree. It runs thus: Daniel,[5] Daniel,[4] Samuel,[3] James,[2] James.[1] James[1] set. in Rehoboth between 1680 and 1690. He was b. in Eng., 1660. Daniel, M.D., was the son of Daniel,[4] and b. Sept. 28, 1766. He was one of 9 chn. One of these, his sister Lydia, b. June 5, 1775, became the wf. of Obadiah Wheelock in 1797 or 1798, and afterwards of Barzillai Pond. She was long known as "the Wid. Pond." She dwelt on Howard St., now so called. Dr. Thurber d. Jan. 22, 1836, in his 70th yr. The following extracts from a printed obituary, which came into my possession from among the papers of the late Mrs. Lowell Fales, one of his nieces, contain all that need be added to the above on these pages:—

OBITUARY NOTICE OF DANIEL THURBER.

"Although Dr. Thurber lived at a period when the means of education were not multiplied as they are at the present time, yet, with such opportunities as were within his reach, he acquired a more than ordinary education preparatory to his engaging in his professional studies. His qualifications for the study of his profession were surpassed by but few young men of his time.

"From early life he had made up his mind to the study of medicine; and, at the age of seventeen, he entered his name as a pupil with Dr. Isaac Fowler of his native town Rehoboth. He remained with Dr. Fowler three years, and then began the practice of medicine at the age of twenty-one. He first established himself at Pawtucket; but after staying three or four months, and not finding sufficient business, by reason of the sparseness of the population, he removed into Mendon to the house he occupied at his decease. He soon found himself engaged in extensive practice, and was shortly surrounded with many and faithful friends. Dr. T. spent the remainder of his life in Mendon, except two years, during which he resided in the adjoining town of Bellingham. From this time he continued, till the close of a long and useful life, engaged in the responsible and multifarious duties of his profession. He not only acquired the confidence of his patients in his professional abilities, but whoever employed him as a physician was sure to become a firm and constant friend. In this way Dr. T. drew around him a very large and extensive circle of professional and social friends, with whom he always lived on terms of the strictest intimacy, and between whom and himself sprung up and continued, to the close of his days, all those kind and reciprocal feelings which enhance the joys and assuage the sorrows of life.

"For many years Dr. Thurber was at the head of the medical profession in the community in which he lived. His labors have been extended far and wide. Times without number have his medical companions had reason to acknowledge the benefit of his counsel and the value of his experience. To those of his own age he has ever borne himself with that uprightness of purpose and candor of deportment which procured for him their profoundest regard and their lasting esteem; while to his juniors in the profession he ever displayed that affability and kindness which has embalmed his memory in the shrine of their affections.

"But besides his professional relations, which he sustained with so much honor to himself and credit to his companions, we cannot forbear to pay the tribute of our respect to his prompt and active discharge of the duties of the social circle. Those who live in his immediate neighborhood can willingly testify how much his advice and practical knowledge was valued by those upon whom it was bestowed.

"In the more extended circle of civil life, Dr. Thurber was long a very efficient and prominent actor. Repeatedly intrusted by his fellow-citizens with important and responsible offices, all can bear witness how well and faithfully he repaid the confidence so cheerfully reposed in him. He represented the town of Mendon in the General Court, we believe, about twenty-five years, and was returned from Bellingham the two years he resided there. Although he made no effort to distinguish himself as an advocate or declaimer, still his advice was sought after and respected by those with whom he acted. He was not only esteemed by his fellow-townsmen, but the *literati* abroad were not insensible to his merit. Harvard University of Cambridge, and Brown University of R.I., conferred upon him the honorary degree of M.D. without his solicitation or knowledge, which is a public testimonial of his professional skill and character.

"For more than thirty years Dr. Thurber made it his practice, upon the return of his birthday, to record his devout acknowledgments to God for all the blessings and privileges he had enjoyed during the past year. The following is the record for 1835: 'This day I am 68 years old. I begin to feel more and more the infirmities of old age. My limbs begin to fail, my hand trembles, my speech is impaired, my memory is decaying; and I am sensible that I shall have but a short time to remain an inhabitant of this world. With a heart overflowing with gratitude, I give thanks to Almighty God that he has preserved my life another year, and that I am permitted to enjoy a comfortable degree of bodily health.'

"Dr. Thurber was twice married, but left no issue by either connection. His first wife was Olive Penniman, daughter of John and Eunice Penniman of Mendon, who was born July 1, 1771. From a record in the doctor's journal on the day of her death, which was Sept. 14, 1823, we find, to use his own words, that he 'had lived with her in peace and harmony almost twenty-five years.'

"Dr. Thurber was again married, Oct. 28, 1824, to Harriet Taft, daughter of Frederick Taft, Esq., of Uxbridge, who has also gone to the world of spirits." —*From the R. I. Advocate*, 1836.

THURBER, Hon. CHARLES, son of Rev. Laban and Mrs. Abigail (Thayer) Thurber. His fr. was a descendant of James Thurber[1] of Rehoboth; but how nearly related to Dr. Daniel, I have not ascertained. His mr. was a dr. of Lieut. Elias Thayer of Bellingham, a Revolutionary soldier. Rev. Laban and wf. had 2 chn. b. to them. The eldest was Charles, b. in Brookfield, Jan. 2, 1803. His sister, younger, was named Sophia C., became the wf. of Warren Lazell, and the mr. of 10 chn. Her hus. and 5 of these chn. have passed away. They res. in Brooklyn, N.Y., where the widowed mr. still survives. Rev. Laban Thurber d. soon after the birth of Sophia, prob. in Alabama, though the locality is not definitely known. So Mrs. Abigail, his wid., was left to nurture up her 2 orphans as best she could; which she did well, and survived to die with her dr. in Brooklyn, N.Y., at the venerable age of over 90 yrs.

Charles Thurber entered Brown University in 1823, and grad. therefrom in 1827. In the autumn of that yr. he m., 1st, *Lucinda Allen* of Bell., dr. of Nathaniel Allen; cer. in West Dedham, by Rev. John White. She d. at Worcester in 1852; and he m., 2d, *Caroline E. Bennett*, wid. of Rev. Joseph Bennett, and dr. of Jesse Estey, Esq., of Nashua, N.H.; cer. March 1, 1853 (prob. in Nashua), by Rev. Dr. Austin Richards. I am not informed of any issue from either mge. Mr. Thurber's career in life, from dependent orphanage to honorable old age, has been one of remarkable success and prosperity. He spent his first 4 yrs., after graduation and 1st mge., in this town, as preceptor of the Milford Academy. He was a popular teacher, made many friends, and earned an income of from $600 to $800 per annum. He says he regards those 4 yrs. as among the pleasantest of his life. He next officiated satisfactorily as master of the Latin grammar-school in Worcester, where he presided 8 yrs. He then went into business with his bro.-in-law, Ethan Allen, Esq., of Worcester, in the manufacture of fire-arms. In that enterprise, I have always understood, he reaped an abundant harvest of profits. During his res. in Worcester, he was elected and served 4 yrs. as county commissioner; also as senator in Gen. Court for the session of 1852–53. In 1858 he was elected a trustee of Brown University, of which corporation he is still a member. I think he left Worcester some yrs. since, and took up his chief abode in Brooklyn, N.Y.,

perhaps later in Philadelphia, Pa. Meantime, with a plenitude of resources, he has gratified his keen literary taste in a variety of ways; gathering up rich treasures of book-knowledge, and spending no less than 6 fruitful yrs. of travel in Europe. He has thus accomplished himself as a *littérateur* of eminent attainments. He is a favorite of the Muses, and a poet of no mean performance. In proof of this, I need only refer the reader to his poem delivered at our municipal centenary, inserted in Part I. of this volume. But, like most men of genius, he is modest; and I am not certain that he will thank me for the prominence I have given him in the foregoing sketch. Yet, having got hold of the leading data, I was disposed not to hide them in a napkin; and, if he shrinks from their publicity, he must excuse me.

THURBER, DANIEL, of Mendon, several yrs. deceased, had a numerous family; and some of his sons have been residents of Mil. for longer or shorter periods. His son JOHN M., painter, res. here now. But I have had no opportunity to obtain data for a record. I think I have been told that this Daniel was a son of Ozias Thurber, who was a distant relative of Dr. Daniel.

THURBER, ZIMRI, a descendant of Ozias Thurber, pedigree, etc., not given; m. *Emily Clark*, dr. of Chester and Mary (Pierce) Clark, b. Mil., Oct. 31, 1835; cer. July 28, 1858, by whom not given. Issue:—

EMMA JANE, b. April 21, 1863.

BLANCHE MAY, b. Oct. 17, 1872; d. Feb. 17, 1875.

Mr. Thurber has been faithfully conspicuous in our fire-department, and was at one time in service on our board of selectmen.

THWING. Benjamin Thwing sailed from Eng., on board the ship "Susan and Ellen," between 1632 and 1635, landing in Boston. He was then 16 yrs. of age, and is said to have come as the servant or apprentice of one Ralph Hudson. He is believed to be the progenitor of all the American Thwings, or certainly those of New England. He m. *Deborah* ——; and they had several chn., who dwelt in Boston. The parents joined the ch. Oct. 9, 1642; and the hus. was made freeman 1645. I have bestowed considerable research on the Suffolk records of births, mges., probate, and deeds, which abound in matter relating to these Thwings. I found them somewhat mixed and tangled, but concluded, on the whole, that Benjamin[1] and Deborah had a son JOHN,[2] who had a son John,[3] and he a son John.[4] This John[4] was brought up to the trade of tanner and currier. He seems to have been b. between 1692 and 1695. I could not make myself absolutely certain of the accuracy of this lineage thus far, but set. on it as very probable, and have proceeded accordingly. This John[4] came out to the part of Mendon now Mil., and set up his trade at first in our Centre, near the junction of West and Congress Sts., between the yrs. 1716 and 1718. He soon afterwards m. Mercy, 3d dr. of Elder John and Sarah Jones, between 1718 and 1720. Several of these dates could not be found with exactitude, but impliedly as I have stated. I understand, from my data, that John's[4] homestead in the Centre must have been small, consisting perhaps of 5 or 6 acres; and that he sold out about 1730, moving over to the Dale, near his father-in-law, and settling on the estate which he bought of Eld. Nathaniel Nelson, where he spent most of his active life. This was bounded north on Elder Jones, east by Mill River, south by old Sherborn Road, known in that part as Post Lane, and west by land of one Bridges. It included our present Hopedale Cemetery. It was not a large homestead, and lay partly on both sides of the old Drift-way from Post Lane to Eld. Jones's. There he had his dwelling-house and

tannery till 1769, when he finally sold out. Starting from this introduction, I proceed to tabulate.

THWING, JOHN[4] (John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in Boston, prob. June 2, 1693; currier; m. *Mercy Jones* of (now) Mil., 1718 or 1719, or thereabouts. She was 3d dr. of Elder John Jones and wf. Sarah, b. in Hull, 1697. He acquired a small homestead in (now) Mil. Centre, as early as 1720. They are understood to have lived, d., and been buried in Mil.; but no inscribed stone has been found to tell the date of their decease, nor, as yet, any other record. They must, however, have d. some time after May 18, 1769; as we have their acknowledgment of a deed bearing that date. Their chn. were, —

JOHN, Jun., b. prob. 1719; date not found; m. Thankful Edwards.

MERCY, b. Feb. 9, 1720; not yet further traced.

SARAH, b. Feb. 28, 1722; m., 1st, Samuel Torrey, May 20, 1747; 2d, Andrew Adams, Grafton, May 30, 1771; 3d, Rev. Amariah Frost, Oct. 14, 1784.

JAMES, b. March 3, 1725; not yet further traced.

NATHANIEL, b. July 27, 1728; not yet further traced.

BENJAMIN, b. May 25, 1732; set., lived, and d. in Ux.

MARTHA, b. March 10, 1735; m. Josiah Kilburn, Oct. 31, 1760.

THOMAS, b. July 15, 1737; not yet further traced.

THWING, JOHN, Jun.[5] (John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. prob. in Mendon, now Mil., between 1718 and 1719; precise date not yet ascertained; m. *Thankful Edwards* of Mendon, Jan. 17, 1741. Her ptge. and date of birth not yet ascertained. They res. many yrs. in now Mil., but later in life emigrated to some part of Vt.; and the whole family disappeared from their native vicinage. Their chn., so far as recorded here, were, —

TIMOTHY, b. Sept. 9, 1744; no further traced.

MARY, b. Feb. 28, 1747; no further traced.

SARAH, b. March 23, 1749; no further traced.

THANKFUL, bap. Jan. 27, 1753; no further traced.

JOHN, bap. Jan. 23, 1757; d. in infancy.

JOHN, bap. July 11, 1762; no further traced.

THWING, BENJAMIN[5] (John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in now Mil., May 25, 1732; set. in Ux., and m., for his 1st wf., *Hannah Buckman;* no further dates or particulars ascertained. Their chn. were, —

MARY, *alias* MOLLY, b. date not yet found; m. Samuel Rawson Montague.

MERCY, b. date not yet found; m. Elihu Brown, Ux.

NATHANIEL, b. date not yet found; m. Asenath Billings; set. Montague.

HANNAH, b. date not yet found; m. Isaiah Buckman, Bethel, Vt.

He m., for his 2d wf., *Mary Fisk* of Cumberland, R.I.; particulars not ascertained. Their chn. were, —

SABRA, b. date, etc., not found; m. Thomas Thomas.

BENJAMIN, b. Ux., Jan. 31, 1777; res. always in Ux., and d. there June 26, 1830.

LUTHER, b. ——; m. Olive Stockwell, and set. Westfield, N.Y.

SARAH, b. ——; m. a Mr. Batchelor.

The fr. d. in Ux., Sept. 19, 1813. Mary, his 2d wf., d. Aug. 20, 1815. The estate was settled and distributed according to will. He, too, was a tanner and currier.

THWING, BENJAMIN[6] (Benjamin,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in Ux., Jan. 31, 1777; m. *Anna Mowry*, May 10, 1798. She was a dr. of

Israel and Susan (Aldrich) Mowry, b. in Gloucester, R.I., Sept. 30, 1779. Their chn. were, —

Albert, b. in Ux., Jan. 2, 1800. See his family record in its place.

Benjamin, Jun., b. in Ux., Feb. 4, 1802; d. Oct. 19, 1802.

Susan Aldrich, b. in Ux., June 12, 1804; m. Manning Anson of Ux., April 1, 1827.

Charles Augustus, b. in Ux., Aug. 24, 1806. See his record in its place.

Almon, b. in Ux., July 21, 1808. See his record in its place.

Mary Mowry, b. in Ux., Aug. 21, 1810; m. Freeman Nickerson, Sept., 1830.

Sarah, b. in Ux., Oct. 5, 1812; m. James Arnold Whipple, Oct. 11, 1832.

Anna, b. in Ux., Dec. 3, 1814; m. Ebenezer D. Draper, Sept. 11, 1834.

Hannah Brown, b. in Ux., Jan. 1, 1817; m. George Draper, March 6, 1839.

Minerva Wheaton, b. in Ux., Oct. 17, 1818; m. William Knight, Oct. 26, 1839.

Elsie Rawson, b. in Ux., Oct. 25, 1820; d. Sept. 23, 1827.

Amy, b. in Ux., March 16, 1823; d. March, same year.

Sylvia Willard, b. in Ux., June 26, 1824; m. Joseph B. Bancroft, Sept. 11, 1844.

The fr. d. June 26, 1830, in the 54th yr. of his age. The mr. d. at Hopedale, Feb. 2, 1855, in her 76th yr.

THWING, Albert[7] (Benjamin,[6] Benjamin,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Jan. 2, 1800; m. *Laura Ann Fisher* of Medway, June 3, 1824. She was a dr. of Simeon Fisher, b. Oct. 31, 1806. Their chn. were, —

Maria Louisa, b. in Med., Nov. 10, 1824; d. Dec., 1825.

Hannah Fisher, b. in Med., June 23, 1826; m. Charles Bigelow, Oct. 4, 1860.

Laura, b. in Med., May 2, 1829; m. Frank A. Lovell, Nov. 13, 1851.

Albert Herbert, b. in Med., Jan. 24, 1836; m. Amy Wheeler; res. Holl. The fr. d. Dec. 10, 1855. The mr. d. about the yr. 1866.

THWING, Charles Augustus[7] (Benjamin,[6] Benjamin,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Aug. 24, 1806; m. *Uranah Keith*, Oct. 5, 1829. Her ptge. not ascertained, b. in Ux., Feb. 18, 1807. Their chn. were, —

Edwin Augustus, b. in Mendon, Dec. 22, 1829; machinist in Worcester.

Mary F., b. in Ux., June 29, 1835; m. a Mr. Lovell, since deceased. The fr. d. May 10, 1861. The mr. still survives.

THWING, Almon[7] (Benjamin,[6] Benjamin,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. July 21, 1808, in Ux.; m. *Sarah Ann Darling* in Ux., Sept. 13, 1832. She was a dr. of Nathan and Polly (Young) Darling, b. in Smithfield, R.I., Oct. 1, 1813. Their chn. were, —

Benjamin, b. in Medway, Nov. 3, 1836; d. in Grafton, Jan. 16, 1840.

Anna, b. in Ux., March 21, 1842; m. Zibeon C. Field, June 17, 1874.

Helen, b. in Ux., March 20, 1845; d. in Ux., Dec. 15, 1845.

Susan Eudora, b. Hopedale, July 26, 1847; m. James I. Whitney, Feb. 28, 1867.

Almon Augustus, b. Hopedale, July 28, 1852; d. Nov. 26, 1852.

The parents survive in a green old age. The husband has held many responsible town offices. Both are too well known throughout a wide circle to need special characterization.

THWING, Edwin Augustus[8] (Charles Augustus,[7] Benjamin,[6] Benjamin,[5] John,[4] John,[3] John,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. in Mendon, Dec. 22, 1829; m. *Rhoda Ann Lawrence*, May 9, 1851. She was a dr. of Thomas Lawrence, and b. in the State of Maine, Aug. 3, 1830. Their chn. were, —

HERBERT, b. in Worcester, Aug. 3, 1852; d. some yrs. since.

HATTIE, b. in Worcester, March 9, 1855.

CHARLES, b. in Worcester, date not ascertained.

Their res. has been Worcester for many yrs. He is an ingenious machinist.

TINGLEY, SILAS[3] (Benjamin,[2] Col. Benjamin[1]), b. Cumberland, R.I., July 13, 1806; mr.'s maiden name Polly Guild of Wrentham; m. *Rosina Hawkins*, dr. of David and Mary (Clark) Hawkins, b. Wrentham, Feb. 6, 1811; cer. Wrentham, Oct. 20, 1831, by Rev. David Read. Issue:—

EDWIN SILAS, b. Bell., Aug. 23, 1834; Cong. clergyman; m. Jane E. Wight, 1858.

WILLIAM ALBERT, b. Mil., July 27, 1845; d. Oct. 16, 1853.

Mr. Tingley must have come into town some 40 years ago. He was an industrious, thrifty boot-manufacturer, a prudent economist, and became one of our substantial citizens. He was ranked among our early friends of moral reform, and commanded general respect for his reliable integrity. His gd. fr., Col. Benjamin, was one of the braves in the French and Indian war that annexed Canada to the British empire, and was among the daring spirits that scaled the heights of Quebec at its capture by the forces under Gen. Wolfe. He was also a valiant soldier during the American Revolution. Silas Tingley d. in Mil., Nov. 30, 1873. His ever faithful helpmeet still survives, a worthy widow, and res. in town.

TINGLEY, Rev. SILAS EDWIN[4] (Silas,[3] Benjamin,[2] Col. Benjamin[1]), only surviving son of Silas and Rosina (Hawkins) Tingley; b. Bell., Aug. 23, 1834; m. *Jane Elizabeth Wight*, dr. of Charles and Mary (Pond) Wight, b. Mil., Jan. 8, 1836; cer. Mil., Jan. 5, 1858, by Rev. Dr. Jacob Ide. Issue:—

MARY ROSINA, b. Mil., June 22, 1859.

ALBERT EDWIN, b. Mil., Feb. 22, 1864; d. May 20, 1865.

WILLIE HERBERT, b. Mil., Jan. 9, 1868.

FREDDIE WIGHT, b. Mil., Oct. 6, 1876.

Family standing excellent, morally, religiously, and socially. Rev. Mr. Tingley, after a proper preliminary education, was regularly graduated at Bangor Theological Seminary in the class of 1870. He has since been located as a Cong. clergyman at Brownfield, Me., Huntington, Mass., and is now preaching at Turner, Me., or was at my last advices.

TORREY. I have found it difficult to trace and connect the Torreys. The records of Mendon and Mil. are omissive, confused, and obscure concerning the families of this name. Those of the mother town and our own show a common origin and relationship of these families; but they are so mixed that it is almost impossible to distinguish individuals, and place them in their proper order. I have decided, therefore, to include the whole of them in both towns, so far as my ascertainment of facts enables me.

Angel, Josiah, and perhaps one or two other Torreys, prob. from Braintree, purchased territorial rights in Mendon at an early date. Of these I can identify only Angel and his brother Josiah as proprietors. Angel Torrey set, on what, in Mendon, they call the "Capt. Bill Torrey place," about 1690; and that place continued in possession of his descendants till since the death of the late Stephen Torrey in 1875. He owned much land in what is now Mil. Josiah Torrey became a proprietor of territorial rights at the same time with his bro. Angel; but I am uncertain how long he himself ever dwelt in Mendon, though some of his chn. remained there. Yet neither of these two bros. d. there. Angel Torrey d. in Bristol, R.I.; and the probate records of Suffolk Co. show that his

estate in Mendon, including our territory, was divided in 1725 by the following-named commissioners: Ebenezer Read, John Jones, Thomas White, Jacob Aldrich, and Seth Chapin. From the specifications of their report, and certain other records, I make out the subjoined table:—

TORREY, ANGEL,[1] and wife *Hannah* had chn.:—

HANNAH, b. Dec. 2, 1690; m. Timothy Gay; d. before her fr.

SAMUEL, b. June 7, 1692; m. Mary Tyler; he d. in 1753.

JUDITH, b. Aug. 28, 1694; not traced.

MELATIAH, b. not given; m. Joseph Eddy.

SILENCE, b. not given; m. Samuel Torrey, nativity not ascertained.

WILLIAM, b. Dec. 17, 1700; m. Susannah ———.

EBENEZER, b. not given; m. name not given.

MARY, b. not given; not traced.

No more told of Angel Torrey's chn.

TORREY, JOSIAH, and wf. *Sarah*, had,—

MARY, b. April 17, 1689.

JOHN, b. April 6, 1692.

No more told, so far as I can understand, of Josiah's chn.; but probably there were others, and more or less descendants, whom I am unable to identify.

TORREY, SAMUEL[2] (Angel[1]), b. June 7, 1692; m. *Mary Tyler;* cer. Mendon, June 9, 1720, by Rev. Joseph Dorr. They had several chn., of whom I can identify certainly but 1; viz., HANNAH, b. April 4, 1721. There was a Samuel Torrey who may have been a son of this Samuel. This Samuel, jun. (if such he was), m. *Sarah Thwing*, dr. of John Thwing; cer. May 20, 1747, by Rev. A. Frost. Whether this pair had any chn., I cannot ascertain. The hus d., as per grave-stone, Oct. 19, 1769; and his wid. m. Andrew Adams of Grafton; cer. May 30, 1771, by Rev. A. Frost. And after her 2d husband's death, she became the 3d wife of Rev. A. Frost himself. There was a Joseph Torrey who may have been another son of Samuel,[2] son of Angel, or may not. I cannot ascertain. This Joseph m. *Deborah Holbrook;* cer. Sept. 26, 1752, by Rev. A. Frost. This Joseph may have been a son of Angel's son William, or of his other son Ebenezer. I conjecture, however, as more probable, that he was the son of Samuel.[2]

TORREY, JOSEPH,[3] from Angel,[1] by wife Deborah, had,—

MARTHA, b. July 15, 1753.

WILLIAM, b. Nov. 23, 1754.

MARY, b. July 9, 1756.

DEBORAH, b. Jan. 31, 1758.

JOSEPH, Jun., b. Oct., 1760; d. June 6, 1761.

TORREY, WILLIAM[2] (Angel[1]), b. Dec. 17, 1700; m. *Susanna* ——. Some of their chn.:—

WILLIAM, Jun., b. Oct. 24, 1725; d. Nov. 5, 1733.

STEPHEN, b. June 30, 1732; m. Elizabeth Mellen of Hop.

SARAH, b. —— — ——; m. Henry Mellen of Hop.

There were doubtless others, but I cannot find them. If I do not mistake my data, the fr. d. in 1778.

TORREY, EBENEZER[2] (Angel[1]), b. date not given, nor wf.'s name, nor any particulars of marriage, but supposed to be the fr. of our Mil. Ebenezer. This Ebenezer m. *Eunice Sluman;* cer. Jan. 25, 1753, by Rev. A. Frost. He inherited the Ezra Nelson place, so called, and was at one time a very rich man, especially in lands; but he d. at last one of our town's poor, Feb. 24, 1811. His father's est. was settled in 1749, and prob. he d. that yr.

TORREY, STEPHEN[4] (William,[3] William,[2] Angel[1]), b. June 30, 1732; m. *Elizabeth Mellen* of Hop., b. 1737; particulars of cer. not found. Their chn.:—

NATHANIEL, b. Aug. 8, 1757; not traced.

JOHN, b. July 16, 1759; m. Mary, *alias* Polly ——.

JOSEPH, b. Aug. 29, 1761; m. Mercy Taft, Ux., 1793; she d. 1812.

SALLY, b. Dec. 22, 1763; m. Samuel Nelson, 1783.

BETSEY, b. Aug. 14, 1766; not traced.

SUKEY, b. Oct. 11, 1768; m., 1st, Lemuel Green, 1790; 2d, Joel Hill, 1800.

STEPHEN, b. June 15, 1771; not traced.

EBENEZER, b. Feb. 14, 1774; supposed to have d. March 4 ensuing.

The fr. d. Sept. 14, 1812. His wid. d. in Mendon, April 10, 1833, in her 96th yr.; and I ministered at her funeral.

TORREY, WILLIAM, m. *Margery Wyman;* cer. May 17, 1778, by Rev. Joseph Willard. I am not able to connect this William with his proper lineage. Their chn.:—

WILLIAM, b. May 25, 1779.

POLLY, b. Oct. 10, 1780.

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 27, 1782; d. Jan. 12, 1783.

TORREY, JOSEPH, and wife ——; cannot be sure of his connection. Their chn.:—

MELLEN W., b. Dec. 12, 1791; not traced.

OTIS, b. Jan. 6, 1795; m. Nancy Parkhurst, Aug. 7, 1816.

NATHANIEL, Dea., b. June 1, 1797; m. Sabrina Daniels, May 26, 1825.

JOSEPH, b. May 20, 1799; not traced.

WARREN, b. July 30, 1802; d. Aug. 1, 1813.

I suspect that this Joseph may have been the son of Stephen and Elizabeth (Mellen) Torrey. If so, the lineage would stand thus: Joseph,[5] Stephen,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Angel.[1] But I am mystified about his wife or wives, and must leave the case in some doubt.

TORREY, Capt. WILLIAM of Mendon, a descendant of Angel Torrey (but I am not master of the links), inherited the ancient homestead; m. *Anna Davenport*, dr. of Seth and Chloe Davenport, b. Sept. 8, 1765; cer. Mendon, July 20, 1788, by Rev. Caleb Alexander. Their chn.:—

SAMUEL DAVENPORT, b. April 14, 1789; m. and set. Millbury; d. Dec. 23, 1877, a. 88 yrs.

JOSEPH, b. Oct. 4, 1790; not traced.

LOUISA, b. March 29, 1792; d. unm., July 10, 1874.

BENJAMIN, b. March 5, 1794; d. Oct. 20, 1797.

STEPHEN, b. March 25, 1796; d. unm., April 29, 1875.

BENJAMIN DAVENPORT, b. Dec. 19, 1803; not traced; prob. d. young.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Oct. 26, 1806; m. and set. in or near Boston.

Capt. William was the tallest man in this general vicinity, and a yeoman of marked character for his peculiarities and stanch integrity. He d. Sept. 16, 1817. His wid. survived him several years, m. a 2d hus., a Mr. Holbrook, but passed away a considerable time since.

TORREY, OTIS[6] (Joseph,[5] Stephen,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Angel[1]), b. Jan. 6, 1795; m. *Nancy Parkhurst*, dr. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Brown) Parkhurst, b. Nov. 23, 1794; cer. Mil., Aug. 7, 1816, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

ADELIA, b. Dec. 1, 1816; d. Oct. 6, 1830.

WARREN, b. Feb., 1818; d. very young.

The mr. d. Feb. 17, 1818. Whether the fr. m. again, I am uncertain; but, however that may have been, the family has been several years extinct.

TORREY, Dea. NATHANIEL[6] (Joseph,[5] Stephen,[4] William,[3] William,[2] Angel[1]), b. June 1, 1797; m. *Sabrina Daniels*, dr. of Elisha and Phebe (Newton) Daniels, b. Mil., Nov. 21, 1800; cer. May 26, 1825, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

JOSEPH, said to have been b. in Wrentham, date not ascertained; res. Philadelphia, Pa.

CHARLES, place and date of birth not ascertained; went to sea, and was drowned.

PHEBE ANN, b. Mil., Sept. 10, 1836; she has been twice m., twice bereaved of her husbands, and is now a wid. The names of her husbands, etc., I have not ascertained, nor other particulars necessary to a complete record. I have trusted chiefly, in respect to Dea. Torrey's chn., to imperfect verbal statements of a relative, who could not give the specific information I desired. Dea. Torrey and his wife were devoted and exemplary members of the Orthodox Cong. ch. She d. July 23, 1867. He d. July 3, 1872. Both d. in this town.

MISCELLANEOUS TORREYS.

TORREY, EBENEZER, of Boston, m. *Susannah Torrey* of Mendon, Nov. 22, 1759, by Rev. Mr. Dorr.

TORREY, JAMES, of Upton, m. wid. *Mary Partridge*, Nov. 27, 1755, by Rev. Mr. Frost.

TORREY, JOSIAH, with wf. *Lydia*, came into Mil. from Upton, and had b. to them a son, SAMUEL, Aug. 12, 1782.

TORREY, JOHN, and wf., *Mary Torrey*, had b. to them, POLLY, April 10, 1785, and BETSEY, Jan. 22, 1787.

TORREY, DEBORAH, m. Gershom Chapin, May 5, 1762.

TORREY, MARY, m. John Ward of Upton, Dec. 5, 1745.

I find no others on Mil. and Mendon records, but perhaps might have found some on those of Upton, had I searched them. My presentation of the Torreys is not very satisfactory to myself, but it is the best I could give with my means. I offer it, with all its defects, that if any of the race should hereafter take interest enough in their lineage to make a thorough search in quarters which I could not afford to examine, they may have the aid of my imperfect labors.

TOWER, JOSHUA, ancestry, birth-date, etc., untraced; wf. *Elizabeth* untraced; cooper by trade, I think; res. for a time on So. Main St., near Eli Bowker's place. Chn.:—

MARY B., b. Sept. 6, 1826.

JOSHUA HOLLIS, b. Jan. 31, 1828.

SAMUEL WILLIAM, b. Oct. 29, 1829.

My history of this family is imperfect. Whence the parents came, I never knew, nor whether they had more chn. I find only the foregoing on our record of births. He d. in Holl., Aug. 3, 1868, as I know from my own funeral register. Concerning his wf. I am not informed. No further traced.

TOWER, WILLIAM[6] (William,[4] Jason,[3] Levi,[2] Gideon[1]), and wf. *Ann*, are recorded to have had b. to them here,—

MARY ELIZA, b. Nov. 10, 1842.

Their stay in town was brief. No further traced.

TOWER, WILLIAM E., whose wf., *Urania*, was a dr. of the late Rev. Leonard Wakefield, res. a while in No. Purchase; but I have not his family record. I believe he now res. in Hop.

TOWER, GEORGE OSCAR, son of the preceding William E., was m. by me to *Ellen Maria Pierce*, March 12, 1871. He then res. in town, but has since gone elsewhere. I have not his family record, and can no further trace him. If there have been other Towers here, I do not recollect them.

TOZER, Rev. WILLIAM, a Protestant Methodist clergyman, who res. for a few yrs. in the No. Purchase; wives *Sarah* and *Ann;* had the births of the following-named chn. placed on our records:—

WILLIAM, Jun., b. Nova Scotia, Aug. 21, 1821.
ELIZABETH M., b. Nova Scotia, Oct. 1, 1819.
JOHN, b. Newfoundland, Oct. 14, 1823; d. Aug. 4, 1824.
PETER MUDGE, b. Newfoundland, June 11, 1825.
JOHN, b. Newfoundland, May 1, 1827; d. Jan. 2, 1828.
JOSEPH BUTTERWORTH, b. Newfoundland, Nov. 17, 1828.
JABEZ BANTINE, b. Newfoundland, Nov. 22, 1830.
BENJAMIN GILES, b. Newfoundland, Jan. 19, 1833; d. May 19, 1833.
SARAH ANN, b. Mil., Dec. 21, 1841.

This last child is entered on record, as b. by a 2d wf. named Ann. I suppose Mrs. Sarah had d., and this 2d marriage taken place, before Mr. Tozer came to Mil., which was probably about 1840 or '41. He remained here only two or three yrs., and is no further traced. I had no acquaintance with him.

TUCKER has never been a frequent name on our territory.

TUCKER, JONATHAN, from Gloucester, R.I., pedigree untraced, m. *Susanna Daniels*, pedigree untraced; cer. July 3, 1754, by Rev. A. Frost. It appears, from Mr. Frost's record of baptisms, that the fr. joined the Cong. ch. here, July 5, 1767, and that all the then chn. of the family were bap. Sept. 7, 1767; viz., OLIVE (who m. Jonas Twitchell), SUSANNA, SARAH, SAMUEL, RACHEL, and EZRA. But I find no further mention made of them.

TUCKER, Rev. THOMAS W., ministered to the Methodists of No. Purchase in 1826 and '27.

TUCKER, GEORGE, boot-treer; and

TUCKER, WILLIAM C. R., bootmaker, res. here in 1856.

TUCKER, HENRY, marble worker.

TUCKER, WILLIAM, saloon keeper; and

TUCKER, JOHN S., carpenter, appear in Directory for 1869.

TUCKER, HENRY F., boot-burnisher. 1872.

TUCKER, MARTIN T., boot-bottomer, appears in 1872, '75. And

TUCKER, JOHN S., at straw-shop, in 1880.

TUTTLE, AUGUSTUS SHERMAN, son of Augustus and Almira (Robbins) Tuttle, b. in Concord, July 18, 1824; m., 1st, *Lucy Wheeler;* no particulars given of her ptge., birth, the mge. cer., or date of her death,—prob. an unintentional omission; m., 2d, *Ellen Maria Harris*, dr. of Norman A. and Charlotte L. (Worcester) Harris, b. May 30, 1847; cer. Mil., June 3, 1874, by Rev. Dr. Merrill Richardson. No. chn. reported from either mge. I find Mr. T.'s name in our town Directory for 1856, in which he is put down as a boot-finisher. How long he had then res. here has not been given me. In the Directory of 1869, he is designated as of the firm of Judson, Sawtelle, & Co., house-furnishing goods. In the Directory of 1872, he was of the firm of Tuttle & Dean, same line of business. In that of '75, and all subsequent ones, he is put down as pursuing the same business in his own name. I think he has stated to me that he was keeping a store of some kind on his own account, when the war of the Rebellion broke out, which he had to

leave at considerable sacrifice to enter the Union army. An appeal was made to his patriotism at that time, and a commission given him as 2d Lieut. and recruiting officer, dated July 22, 1862. Leaving his store, and, what tried him much more severely, an invalid wife, he was mustered into the U. S. service at once, and forthwith recruited and organized Co. F of the 36th Regt. Mass. Vols. He did this successfully, in spite of some formidable discouragements, marched that co. to the seat of war, and at South Mountain, Md., handed it over to the command of Capt. William F. Draper of Hopedale, since brig.-general. His subsequent military career may be seen as given in Chap. VIII., "The War-Record of the Rebellion." It appears that he deserved well of his country. He is a much respected business man and citizen, and, with his companion, holds a highly reputable social standing.

TWITCHELL, EPHRAIM[6] (Ephraim,[4] Joseph,[3] Benjamin of Medfield,[2] Joseph of Dorchester, 1633[1]), b. in that part of Sherborn which became Holl., Oct. 25, 1723; m., 1st, *Patience Eames*, dr. of Gershom and Susanna (Whitney) Eames, b. 1728; cer. Oct. 19, 1752, by Rev. J. Prentice. Issue:—

GERSHOM, bap. Oct. 5, 1755; m. Mary Johnson of Holl.

PATIENCE, bap. July 2, 1758; m. Ebenezer Nelson, March 8, 1781.

LYDIA, bap. Sept. 14, 1760; m. David French, May 21, 1778.

EPHRAIM, Jun., b. June 19, 1763; m. Eunice Chamberlain, Westmoreland, N.H., 1789.

Mrs. Patience d. June 5, 1763. The hus. m., 2d, *Lydia Parkhurst*, dr. of Isaac and Lydia (Bigelow) Parkhurst, b. in our Precinct, 1738; cer. April 13, 1769, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

ANNA, b. Feb. 2, 1770; m. Stephen Thayer, May 15, 1787.

MERCY, b. Sept. 22, 1773; m. Caleb Albee, Aug. 28, 1791.

MARY, b. Oct. 4, 1776; m. Samuel Prentiss, Hop., Feb. 9, 1804.

OLIVE, b. March 14, 1780; m. Zuriel Hayward (Howard), Jan. 11, 1801.

Ephraim Twitchell came from Holl. He purchased what has been known as the Twitchell farm of Amos Binney and Thos. Bailey of Hull, through Rev. Amariah Frost, who had power of attorney to sell and convey the same. The deed to Twitchell bears date Aug. 2, 1748. The tract conveyed was estimated at "near a hundred acres," and said to be "the land laid out June 28, 1707, to John Peck," by the proprietors of Mendon. The deed excepted "three-quarters of an acre for a burying-place as shall be agreed upon most commodious therefor upon Nathaniel Morse line." The dwellings on the west side of School St., the high-school house, and our Town Park, occupy portions of this Peck, Binney and Bailey, Twitchell farm. Ephraim Twitchell's 1st wife, Patience, was rec'd into our Cong. ch., Sept. 28, 1755; and, in virtue thereof, her chn. were baptized. Lydia Parkhurst, the 2d wife, was also a member, and had her chn. bap. But it does not appear that the hus. and fr. ever joined the ch. He d. May 24, 1802. Death-date of Mrs. Lydia not found.

TWITCHELL, JONAS, ptge., birth-date, etc., not found; m. *Olive Tucker*, dr. of Jonathan and Susanna (Daniels) Tucker, bap. in our Precinct, Sept. 7, 1767; cer. April 19, 1785, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Issue:—

JOHN, b. Mil., April 28, 1785. Family no further traced. Who Jonas was, whence he came, or whither he went, I have no information.

TWITCHELL, GERSHOM[6] (Ephraim,[5] Ephraim,[4] Joseph,[3] Benjamin,[2] Joseph[1]), bap. Oct. 5, 1755; m. *Mary Johnson* of Holl., ptge., birth-date, and particulars of cer. not ascertained; prob. Holl. records may show. Issue:—

MARTIN, b. Jan. 18, 1779; m. Eleanor Lamb of Oxford, Jan. 25, 1807.

LEVI, b. Sept. 12, 1780; lived unm.; d. Nov. 31, 1842.

ELIHU, *alias* ELLA, b. May 18, 1783; lived unm.; d. See town record: I omitted to look.

BETSEY, b. Sept. 18, 1785; d. June 22, 1802.

GERSHOM, Jun., b. ——; m. Abigail Hunt, May 22, 1825; he d. Jan. 30, 1860.

MARY, b. ——; m. Nathaniel Paine, Boston, Dec. 4, 1817.

Gershom Twitchell, sen., inherited his fr.'s farm, or at least became its possessor, lived and died thereon. His wf. Mary was somewhat eccentric, and some of her chn. had marked peculiarities. But all, one after another, of the family have departed to the world of spirits. Gershom, sen., d. Aug. 15, 1824. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. April 11, 1842, in her 87th yr. Martin never lived in town after his mge. His entire family have passed away excepting *Emmons Twitchell*, an enterprising boot-manufacturer of Brookfield. He is now the sole surviving descendant of Gershom, sen., that bears the name Twitchell. Neither Levi nor Elihu, nor Gershom, jun, left any chn. Martin left *Otis*, who d. Aug. 31, 1871; *Henry Martin*, who d. April 24, 1872; and *Emmons*, who survives as above. It was Emmons of whom our authorities purchased the land for town park. Mrs. Mary Paine left a son and a dr., but of course they do not bear the name of Twitchell.

TWITCHELL, DILLA (perhaps originally Adelia or Delia), b. out of wedlock 1774; mr.'s maiden name Hannah McKenny; reputed fr. a Twitchell, whose given name I have not ascertained. How she passed her early childhood and youth I have never been told. She dwelt in a little home, northerly from Cedar-swamp Pond, on the st. since named after her, Dilla. She was eccentric and peculiar in her habits, conscientious and tender-hearted. She had a passionate fondness for cats, and often kept a dozen or more, all petted, fed, lodged, and treated with the most motherly care. Many anecdotes are afloat on the waves of tradition concerning her and her feline family, but I will not presume to relate them. In her way she was certainly a remarkable woman. When she was at the age of about 15 yrs., her mr. m. Robert Wood, a foreigner, said to have been a Hessian, and whom Rev. Mr. Frost, in his record of marriages, termed "an outlandish man." This step-father and her mother lived and d. with Dilla. She herself d. March 27, 1830, a. 56 yrs.; and was buried first in our oldest grave-yard, but now her remains repose in Vernon-grove Cemetery.

TYLER. We have had few of this name. But there was an ancient family of Tylers in Mendon, and several successive generations of them dwelt in what we call the Davenport neighborhood. Nathan and Mary had there a son, Nathan, in 1729. I suppose these two Nathan Tylers participated zealously in the setting off of our Easterly Precinct, and, for a time, in the management of its affairs. The second Nathan was m. to Abigail Maynard, Dec. 21, 1743, by Rev. Mr. Frost, and raised up a family in No. Mendon. I think he had a son Nathan there, and he another of the same name. These Tylers were influential people in their day, and much known in public affairs.

TYLER, DANIEL, pedigree untraced, was b. in Leominster, Aug. 18, 1791. He m. Thusa Polley, pedigree untraced, b. in Harvard, Aug. 22, 1797. They were m. in Leominster, Feb. 28, 1815. Issue:—

RUFUS D., b. Leominster, Sept. 10, 1816; d. Nov. 20, 1852.

ELIZABETH, b. Leominster, May 22, 1818.

RHODOLPHUS, b. Leominster, Feb. 22, 1820; d. Oct. 20, 1822.

Lydia Ann, b. Leominster, Jan. 15, 1822; m. Joseph Hancock, April 11, 1843.

Jane M., b. Leominster, Dec. 5, 1823; m. Ezra Hunt, April 18, 1841.

Caroline S., b. Leominster, Oct. 27, 1825.

Adolphus, b. Leominster, Oct. 29, 1827; sole-cutter; res. No. Purchase.

Abigail R., b. Leominster, Sept. 17, 1829; m. James D. Bailey, June 6, 1849.

Addison H., b. Leominster, Nov. 30, 1831; m. Eliza Bianca Parkhurst, Oct. 21, 1857.

George H., b. Hopkinton, Feb. 21, 1834; d. Sept. 28, 1834.

Arathusa, b. Hopkinton, March 10, 1836.

Alvin E., b. Hopkinton, Oct. 22, 1838.

Mira Eliza, b. Milford, Feb. 28, 1841; m., 1st, Almon A. Sumner; 2d, Andrew Franklin.

Daniel Tyler was an industrious carpenter and good citizen. He came into town from Hop. some 40 yrs. ago, and dwelt in the No. Purchase. He d. Feb. 21, 1874. His worthy wid. survives him in the same neighborhood. I am not completely informed as to the marriages and families of all his chn. Of his sons I have the family record of but one; viz., —

TYLER, Addison H., son of Daniel and Thusa, b. Leominster, Nov. 30, 1834; came with his parents to Mil., and m. *Eliza Bianca Parkhurst*, dr. of Oliver B. and Maria (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. in Mil., Oct. 19, 1835; cer. Oct. 21, 1857, by whom not ascertained. Their chn.: —

Frank A. b. Mil., Dec. 2, 1858; d. Feb. 2, 1862.

Albert H., b. Mil., Jan. 12, 1862.

Infant Son, b. Mil., Sept. 4, 1864; d. Sept. 9, 1864.

Charley, b. Mil., July, 1867; d. Sept., 1868.

Harry Nelson, b. Mil., Sept. 14, 1869.

Oliver Parkhurst, b. Mil., July 30, 1877.

I am not informed where this promising family now res., nor of their pursuits and circumstances.

UNDERWOOD, Joshua, seems to be the first of this name on our records. He was from Holl., m. for 2d wife *Hannah Wheelock*, res. on our territory about the time the Easterly Precinct was set off, and soon returned to Holl. His name appears among the petitioners to Gen. Court in 1741, for the new Precinct. He is referred to below.

UNDERWOOD, Gen. Orison, came into town from Barre, in 1822, then quite a young man, and inducted himself into the boot business, which was at that time in its infancy here, — carried on in a few petty shops and tenement-rooms. He grew up to distinction with it, and has shared largely in its successes and reverses. He has acted a prominent part in the developments of our military, municipal, financial, and societary affairs. He attached himself early to our famous Artillery Co., in which he rose from private to major. Thence he went up the ladder of promotion through the infantry till he reached the goal of brigadier-general. He finally received honorable discharge from military duty at the end of 21 yrs. continuous service. In municipal and civil concerns he has been no less distinguished. He presided as moderator through a long succession of town and other public meetings; has been many times recommissioned as justice peace; and was sent as delegate to one State Constitutional Convention, besides often serving on our board of selectmen, and responsible special committees, when questions of urgent public interest required consideration. Among such

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questions, a very important one in its time was the establishment of a high school. He claims to have initiated the movement for this institution, to have persistently labored in its behalf against most discouraging opposition, and now to look back with great satisfaction on the success which finally crowned the exertions of himself and his coadjutors. The Masonic Fraternity, as well as that of Odd-Fellows, is indebted largely to his personal influence for re-edification and expansion in town. The ancient Charity Lodge had been defunct several years, when he exerted himself to procure the removal of Montgomery Lodge from Medway to Mil.; then the removal of Mount Lebanon Royal Arch Chapter from Medway hither; and then to establish our Commandery of Knights Templar. He was at least a vigorous promoter and co-operator in all these successful achievements. Such is a portion of his history in this community, as now in old age he surveys the retrospect. But he disclaims wishing to disparage the services of others in any of these works. I will now treat of his pedigree. He is of the 7th generation in descent from, —

UNDERWOOD, JOSEPH.[1] This ancestral immigrant was b. in Eng., set., 1st, at Hingham in 1637, and thence removed to Watertown in 1665. He had at Watertown a son named after himself.

UNDERWOOD, JOSEPH,[2] who, by wf. Elizabeth, had several chn. One of these, —

UNDERWOOD, JOSHUA,[3] set. in Sherborn, on what is now Underwood St., Holl. He m., 1st, *Mercy Fairbanks;* and 2d, *Hannah Wheelock* of our territory, in 1738. This is the Joshua[3] above mentioned as res. here, and being a petitioner for the new Precinct. He had numerous chn. Among them, —

UNDERWOOD, JOSEPH,[4] who inherited the patrimonial homestead in Holl., m. *Jemima Leland*, and raised up a goodly family. Among them was, —

UNDERWOOD, DAVID[5] (Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. Holl., 1742; m. *Bathsheba Adams*, 1763, and ultimately set. in that part of Rutland which became Barre. Their chn. were JEMIMA, b. in Holl., 1764; JONAS, 1765; BATHSHEBA, 1767; DAVID in Rutland, 1769; JOSEPH, 1771; ASA, 1773; ITHAMAR, 1776; ELIPHAZ, 1779; REUBEN, BETSEY, etc., at ungiven dates.

UNDERWOOD, JOSEPH[6] (David,[5] Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in Rut., since Barre, 1771; m. *Chloe Guernsey* of Richmond, N.H., dr. of William and Chloe (Thurber) Guernsey, b. March 21, 1776; date of cer. not given. Their chn.: —

AURILLA, b. 1803; m. Dwight Colburn; she d. 1871.
ORISON, b. March 19, 1805; m. Hannah B. Cheney, Sept. 2, 1827.
WILLIAM GUERNSEY, b. 1806; d. 1829.
VIDA, b. 1808; d. young.
ELBRIDGE GERRY, b. 1810; trace not given.
CHLOE THURBER, b. 1813; trace not given.
ANDREW JACKSON, b. 1815; trace not given.
JAMES MONROE, b. 1818; trace not given.
Death-date of Mrs. Chloe, April 19, 1839. Her husband's not given.

UNDERWOOD, Gen. ORISON[7] (Joseph,[6] David,[5] Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. Barre, March 19, 1805; m. *Hannah Bond Cheney*, dr. of Caleb and Sarah (Hunting) Cheney, b. in Mil., Jan. 31, 1804; cer. at the parental res. on Sunday evening, Sept. 2, 1827, by the writer. The officiator was also present at their opal and golden wedding celebrations. Their chn.: —

Adin Ballou, b. May 19, 1828; grad. B. U., 1849; m. Jane L. Walker, June 5, 1856.

Laurinda, b. Dec. 11, 1829; d. Oct. 27, 1832.

William Orison, b. Dec. 17, 1831; d. Oct. 7, 1832.

Edwin Orison, b. Nov. 25, 1833; d. March 5, 1835.

Adaline Aurilla, b. Nov. 29, 1835; d. Sept. 25, 1843.

George Dwight, b. Dec. 18, 1837; m. Faustina Aurena Gove, June 1, 1859.

Melvin Augustus, b. April 17, 1844; grad. H. U., 1866; m. Clara Isabella Babbitt, 1880.

UNDERWOOD, Gen. Adin Ballou[8] (Gen. Orison,[7] Joseph,[6] David,[5] Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. Mil., May 19, 1828; grad. B. U., 1849; adopted the legal profession, and commenced practising Mil.; m. *Jane L. Walker*, dr. of Joseph and Hannah (Chapin) Walker, b. Hop., March 14, 1837; cer. in West Newton Cong. ch., June 5, 1856, by Rev. Mr. Drummond, pastor. Their chn.:—

Amy, b. Newtonville, March 28, 1857.

Anna, b. Newtonville, May 4, 1859.

William Orison, b. Newtonville, May 5, 1861.

Gen. A. B. Underwood was put in process of a liberal education early in life at Mil. Academy, our public schools, and under Leander Holbrook's tuition. At fifteen he was sent to the University Grammar School, Providence, R.I., where he fitted for college. At seventeen he entered Brown University, then under the presidency of Rev. Dr. Wayland. Thence he grad., as already said, in 1849, among the foremost of his class. After a year spent in the counting-room and in travel, he betook himself to the study of law, first in the office of Hon. Charles R. Train, Framingham; then at Cambridge Law School; and then in the office of Judge B. F. Thomas, at Worcester. From Aug., 1852, to Aug., 1853, one year, he spent in Europe, — the summer months at Heidelberg, and the winter ones in Berlin, — attending lectures on jurisprudence by eminent German masters. Meantime he spent some weeks in Italy. Thus qualified he was admitted to the bar of Worcester Co., in Nov., 1853. He commenced law practice in Milford soon after this, and was for a few yrs. associated with H. B. Staples, Esq., under the firm name "Underwood & Staples." About this time he served for a while as clerk of our police ct. In 1855 or 1856 he formed a law partnership with Hon. Charles R. Train in Boston, which continued till the war of the Rebellion broke out. Since his mge. he domiciliated mostly at Newtonville to 1865, and thereafter at Newton. The day after Fort Sumter was fired upon, he turned the key in his office-door, and never entered it again for a client. He soon enlisted, became capt. of a co. raised in Boston, and went into service with the Second Mass. Infantry under Col. George H. Gordon. What he achieved and suffered in the ensuing campaigns, how he distinguished himself and was promoted, and the honors of his subsequent career, have been indicated in Chap. VII. I need add only, that he is still at his post in the Boston Custom House, that he and his worthy wife are stanch Episcopalians, that he has been honored with responsible offices in Grace ch. at Newtonville, that he was three years on Gov. Claflin's staff as col., and that he has more recently held a position of eminent dignity as the Commander of the Department of Mass. in the Grand Army of the Republic.

UNDERWOOD, George Dwight[8] (Gen. Orison,[7] Joseph,[6] David,[5] Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in Mil., Dec. 18, 1837; m. *Faustina Aurena Gove*, dr. of Jacob and Abigail Hook (Sanborn) Gove, b. Aug. 14, 1834; cer. in Milford, N.H., June 1, 1859, by Rev. Jacob Gove. Chn.:—

Ada Guernsey, b. July 21, 1861; d. Oct. 1 ensuing.
Frank Hamilton, b. April 6, 1865.
Edith Rena, b. Sept. 2, 1869; d. Aug. 26, 1870.
George Amory, b. Sept. 23, 1871.
Jay Gove, b. April 22, 1873.

The family res. here till Nov., 1872, since then in Newtonville; the hus. and father doing business in Boston. George D. did not enjoy the ample educational advantages of his elder and younger brothers, though decent ones for his chosen sphere in life. Martial daring, trials, and fame did not lie in his pathway, nor the success to which he aspired in the pecuniary field. But in respect to usefulness, substantial competency, and respectable social standing, he and his family have a creditable record. They are also good Episcopalians. Mrs. Faustina d. at Newtonville, Dec. 5, 1880, and left a precious memory.

UNDERWOOD, Melvin Augustus[8] (Gen. Orison,[7] Joseph,[6] David,[5] Joseph,[4] Joshua,[3] Joseph,[2] Joseph[1]), b. in Mil., April 17, 1844; grad. H. U. 1866; a man of letters and æsthetic taste; in business pursuits much employed in insurance affairs about Boston; res. Newtonville. After living a circumspect bachelor to the prudent age of 35, he m. *Clara Isabella Babbitt*, dr. of Nathan E. and Hannah (Guernsey) Babbitt of Springfield; cer. at the parental res. in Mil., Jan. 15, 1880, by the writer. Position and prospects auspicious.

UNDERWOOD, Alvan G., pedigree not given; b. in West Woodstock, Ct., April 15, 1808, son of Alvan and Margaret (Smith) Underwood, both decd.; m. *Emily Amanda Guild*, dr. of Ebenezer and Hepsey (Russell) Guild, both decd., b. in Wrentham, July 28, 1812; cer. at Upton, April 9, 1833, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Child, Albert Gallatin, b. Mendon, Dec. 28, 1833; m. Sarah S. Wight, Oxford, May 15, 1854.

Chn. of Albert Gallatin and Sarah S. Wight Underwood: —

Herbert W., b. Oxford, Feb. 28, 1855.
Frank G., b. Oxford, Sept 12, 1856.

These parents, I believe, are of the Cong. church, and had honorable standing in Oxford. Mr. Underwood was for some years cashier of Milford National Bank, and a commissioned justice of the peace. He has retired from active business, and the family are in easy circumstances.

UNDERWOOD, Daniel Peck; ancestry not traced, but presumed to be a descendant of Joseph of Hingham and Watertown; b. in Troy, N.H., Sept. 10, 1843, son of John and Eliza (Peck) Underwood; horse-dealer. His father, John Underwood, was publicly known for many years as driver of the stage from Medway to Boston. He was either sole or co-proprietor of that line, and extended it to Woonsocket, R.I. Daniel P. m. *Nellie Eugenia Maynard*, dr. of Rev. Lyman Maynard and wf. Elizabeth, b. in Needham, Dec. 30, 1848; cer. at Hopedale, Feb. 15, 1872, by the writer. No chn. Long res. in town, and worthy people.

Other Underwoods, formerly and new res. in town, ought perhaps to receive my attention in this connection; but, having obtained no intimation of their wish to see their family records appear on these pages, I shall doubtless be excused, in the hurry of closing my work, for any seeming neglect.

VANT, John, and wf. *Relief* (*Tracy*) *Vant*, were of Sutton, and afterwards of Upton. They had 3 sons that became res. in Mil.; viz., —

Samuel Austin, b. Sutton, June 1, 1811; m. Mary Ann Stearns, April 2, 1835.

Melbourne, b. Sutton, 1813; d. in infancy.

Artemas Bullard, b. Sutton, Sept. 19, 1815; m. Izanna E. Parkhurst, Sept. 6, 1837.

Charles Augustus, b. Sutton, 1816; d. at Gen. O. Underwood's Nov. 20, 1832, a. 16 yrs.

Nothing further given concerning John Vant's chn. or the death of the parents, except that the fr. d. in 1818, and the mr. m. a 2d hus. She d. some yrs. ago.

VANT, Samuel Austin[2] (John[1]), b. in Sutton, June 1, 1811; bootmaker and farmer; m. *Mary Ann Stearns*, dr. of Alexander and Sarah Brownell Stearns, b. in Providence, R.I., March 8, 1814; cer. in Mil., April 2, 1835, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Elbridge Austin, b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1836; m. Sarah Jane Hunt, Oct. 4, 1860.

Melbourne Alexander, b. Mil., Dec. 17, 1838; m. Lavinia Nelson, Jan. 28, 1862.

Samuel A. came into town from Upton in March, 1822, then a boy not 11 yrs. old. His folks were poor, and he came on the spur of his own enterprise to seek his fortune and find a home. He engaged himself to Caleb Cheney, and lived in his family several yrs. Later he learnt the bootmaking trade, and so grew up to manhood. Mrs. Mary Ann, his wf., had an orphan's experience. Her parents d. when she was a mere babe; and she was taken to the home of her uncle, David Stearns 2d, in this town. He and his wf. both d. while she was a child only 2 or 3 yrs. old. She went next into the care of Samuel McFarland and wf., where she remained till about 5 yrs. of age. Thence her uncle Jonathan Stearns, who had been appointed her guardian, placed her in the family of Joel Day. There she was kindly and carefully brought up to marriageable womanhood. Thus, through many adversities, a now worthy and comfortably circumstanced family gained their foothold in our community. Their res. is on Purchase St., just above Pearl.

Grandchn.:—

Walter Austin Vant, son of Elbridge and Sarah J., b. June 1, 1866.

Alice Nelson Vant, dr. of Melbourne A. and Lavinia, b. Dec. 28, 1866.

VANT, Artemas Bullard[2] (John[1]), b. Sutton, Sept. 19, 1815; m. *Izanna Eames Parkhurst*, dr. of Otis and Sarah (Jones) Parkhurst, b. Mil., April 22, 1815; cer. Mil., Sept. 6, 1837, by Rev. Horace W. Morse. Issue:—

Adelaide Victoria, b. June 26, 1838; m. Theodore E. Stacy, Feb. 3, 1859; she d. Aug. 30, 1859.

Charles Augustus, b. Dec. 8, 1839; m. Anna C. Whitmore, Aug. 20, 1863.

Dexter Parkhurst, b. Oct. 3, 1842; m. Emma J. Gould, Oct. 4, 1865.

John Lemuel, b. Aug. 28, 1848; d. Aug. 12, 1849.

A family of good standing in the various circles of society. Mr. V. came up out of trying early adversities. He was left fatherless at 3 yrs. of age, and had hard youthful struggles to pass through. He came into town in 1832, and worked his way up from apprenticeship into successful management of the boot business. He continued in that management for 22 yrs., but has latterly been engaged in carrying on a laundry establishment, which is both useful and profitable. He is a reliable and trusted citizen. He has a handsome and convenient mansion 47 Pearl St. The only serious drawback to the family prosperity has been a visitation of severe sickness experienced by Mr. V. within the last few yrs., from which he has hardly yet fully recovered.

Grandchn.:—

Arthur Vant, son of Charles A. and Anna C., b. June 27, 1866.
Adelaide Vant, dr. of Dexter P. and Emma J., b. Sept. 24, 1866.
Irving A. Vant, son of Dexter P. and Emma J., b. Feb. 13, 1871.
Mark W. Vant, son of Dexter P. and Emma J., b. April 2, 1874.

VICKERY, BENJAMIN, ancestry not traced; presumed to have been born in Bridgewater; m., 1st, Mary Allen, 1737, who soon d. He m., 2d, Mary Kingman, 1739. They moved to our Easterly Precinct, and were recd. from the 3d ch., Bridgewater, into our Cong. ch., Sept. 29, 1763. I think they must have brought 6 or 7 chn. with them, and dwelt in the easterly part of our territory. Their chn. were, —

MARY, b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1740; m. Jonathan Hayward, jun., 1769.
ELIZABETH, b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1743; untraced.
ELIAB, b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1745; untraced.
BENJAMIN, Jun., b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1749; m. Rhoda Holbrook, Dec. 12, 1776.
OLIVE, b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1753; untraced.
HULDAH, b. prob. in Bridgewater, 1759; untraced.

There was a Lydia Vickery, who m. Josiah Corbett; cer. Jan. 12, 1758, by Rev. A. Frost.

Also a Melatiah Vickery, that d. in town, Nov. 4, 1799.

I suspect that Lydia and Melatiah belonged to the above family, but how related I find no indication. No Vickerys appear on our records after 1799.

WADSWORTH, JONATHAN, and wf. *Rebecca*, once resided a while in our Precinct in its early times. But whence they came, where they dwelt, how long they remained, or whither they went, is not indicated on our records. They had 3 chn. bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz., —

MARY, April 15, 1744.
BENJAMIN, April 20, 1746.
REBECCA, July 3, 1748.

WAIT, DANIEL, and wf. *Abigail*, were warned out of town in 1791. They then had 4 chn. with them; viz., JOSEPH, LYDIA, BETSEY, and HANNAH. They came into town May 3, 1787, taken in by Adams Chapin. No further traced.

WAKEFIELD, Rev. LEONARD, son of Daniel and Anna (Keeney) Wakefield, b. in Manchester, Ct., July 29, 1803; m. *Nancy Carroll*, dr. of Jesse and Mary (Mann) Carroll, b. in Smithfield, R.I., Sept. 30, 1804; cer. Smithfield, R.I., Nov. 2, 1827, by Rev. Elisha Frink. Their chn.: —

JULIA A., b. Oct. 26, 1828; d. soon after birth.
URANAH MOWRY, b. May 31, 1830; m. William E. Tower, res. in Hop.
DANIEL AMOS, b. March 31, 1833; m., name not given; res. in No. Purchase.
ANNA MARIA, b. June 8, 1835; d. young.
LAROY SUNDERLAND, b. April 8, 1837; m., name not given; res. in No. Purchase.
CHARLES LEONARD, b. May 7, 1839; d. young.
FRANCES CATHERINE DORR, b. June 26, 1841; d. young.
OSMOND, OSGOOD, OSCAR (triplets), b. April 26, 1844; d. within a week after birth.

Rev. Mr. Wakefield left an interesting life-record, the main points of which he gave me a few months before his decease. They are as follows: Left an orphan by the death of his father at the age of 2½ yrs., the youngest of 4 chn.;

at the age of 17 went to Smithfield, R.I., and was employed as a farmer-boy till he learned the coopering business; at 21 became a convert to personal religion under Methodist preaching; was soon after appointed a class-leader, and at 22 commenced preaching as an Episcopal Methodist, having had but small common-school privileges, and only the Bible for his library, yet conscious of a divine call and inspiration for his mission; found plenty of open doors and willing hearers for his voluntary gospel, and probably small pecuniary rewards; about this time joined the Masonic Fraternity, to which he was ever after faithfully attached, becoming eminent in its various grades up to Knighthood; m. at 24, and began to raise up a family, yet zealously pushed his work of the ministry, preaching, as a sort of local volunteer, for different lengths of time in Blackstone, Slaterville, Woonsocket, Albion Village, on Cumberland Hill, and occasionally in many towns of Mass. from Wellfleet and Truro westward to Ct. River. About 1850 he came to our No. Purchase, where he closed his ministry of 54 yrs., throughout which he officiated at a large number of funerals.

He was naturally endowed with good mental abilities, much energy, and strong will-power; was an independent, original thinker, self-taught, and toughened by hard discipline in the school of trying experiences. But he was persistent and indomitable, as well as conscientious, in all he undertook; industrious, economical, and always making the most of a little. He said he put Christianity first, Masonry second, and civil liberty third. In politics he was a stanch Democrat of the Jeffersonian school; and in R. I. was a warm Dorrite suffragist, at considerable discomfort to himself and some sacrifice, though he came out of the embroglio without dishonor, and with the general credit, from all parties, of being a well-intentioned, honest man. In his palmiest days, on Cumberland Hill, R.I., where he res. 12 yrs., he kept a variety store; was post-master, secretary of the school committee, member of the town council, justice of the peace, etc., at the same time preaching on Sundays, and frequently ministering at funerals. After taking up his abode here, he preached a few yrs., mostly in No. Purchase, and then, as age crept on, betook himself to boot-making, till his health finally failed, and he gradually ripened for transition to the immortal world. His Masonic brethren were mindful of his needs, solaced his last days with comforting donations, and gave their ever-faithful brother a worthy burial. I visited him on his dying bed, found him in full spiritual preparation for his departure, and received his request that I would unite with his Methodist pastor in the funeral services over his remains. He d. very calmly and hopefully, Nov. 27, 1879, a. 76 yrs. and 4 mos. His venerable wid. enjoyed tolerable health for a time, but was found dead in her bed, Sunday morning, May 30, 1880. I had hoped to be furnished with the family records of their chn., to whom I sent blanks; but, fearing I shall be disappointed, I will close with the mention of their grandchn. and gt. grandchn., as given by himself. "We have had 14 grandchn., of whom 10 are living; gt. grandchn., 7, all living but 1." I have received nothing more from this family.

WALES. I have tried in vain to trace the ancestry of our Wales families to their European origin. I presume pains and cost enough would show that Nathaniel Wales of Dorchester, known to be there in 1636, was their common immigrant ancestor. This, however, I must leave unsettled, and deal with them as they report themselves.

WALES, JOHN,[1] b. about the yr. 1750, came from parts unknown, and set. in Hop. as early certainly as 1774. He m. *Abigail*, dr. of William Andrews of

Hop., in 1775. About the yr. 1794 he set. on our extreme northern boundary, on a farm, which, when the crooked line between Hop. and Mil. was finally straightened, over 40 yrs. ago, was ceded to Hop. He had numerous sons and daughters. Among the sons were JOHN, LUKE, FREEBORN, and WAINWRIGHT: but his family record has not been furnished, as I would gladly have had it; and I must content myself with what has been given me. He d. Oct. 14, 1809, and his wid., Mrs. Abigail, in 1833.

WALES, JOHN[2] (John[1]), eldest son, b. Hop., 1781; m. *Mary Madden*, a twin dr. of Michael and Mary (Bullard) Madden, b. Feb. 3, 1784; cer. Dec. 5, 1805, by Rev. David Long. They res. in Mil. Their chn.:—

AMOS, b. July 9, 1806; m., 1st, Emily Cheney, April 31, 1831; 2d, Rachel Corbett, 1852.

REUEL, b. Nov. 27, 1807; m., 1st, Chloe B. Proctor, April 7, 1834; 2d, Betsey D. Walker, 1854.

SYLVESTER, b. May 28, 1809; m. Lydia M. Cheney, Sept. 12, 1833.

JOHN MADDEN, b. Sept. 23, 1811; d. unm., I think, Oct. 7, 1832.

THOMAS JEFFERSON, b. April 19, 1817; m. Lucy M. Fairbanks, 1841.

The worthy parents always lived in the same house from 1806 till death. Mrs. Mary d. Aug. 23, 1840. He m., 2d, Eunice Ormes, Oct. 21, 1841; cer. by Rev. William Tozer. He d. in 1857.

WALES, AMOS[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. Mil., July 9, 1806; m., 1st, *Emily Cheney*, dr. of Alexander and Lovice (Bowker) Cheney, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1808; cer. in Mendon, April 21, 1831, by the writer. Their chn.:—

MARY M., b. June 18, 1832; m. Simon Woodbury of Vt., Jan. 8, 1852; she d. April 22, 1878.

LYDIA M., b. Dec. 16, 1833; m. Luther P. Jones, May 17, 1853.

HENRY ALEXANDER, b. Jan. 2, 1835; m. Nettie L. M. Wheeler of Kalamazoo, Mich., dr. of John Wheeler, Esq.; cer. Oct. 23, 1862. He d. in Lake City, Minn., Nov. 24, 1864. No issue reported.

Mrs. Emily, the beloved wf. and mr., d. Oct. 6, 1850, a. 42 yrs. The hus. m., 2d, *Rachel Corbett* of Westboro', ptge. and other particulars not given; cer. Jan. 29, 1852. No issue reported. He has been an honest common laborer through life.

WALES, REUEL[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. Nov. 27, 1807; m. *Chloe Brown Proctor*, dr. of Benjamin and Chloe B. (Hedding) Proctor, b. Hop., June 2, 1815; cer. Hop., April 7, 1834, by Rev. Jeffries Hall. Their chn.:—

MINERVA, b. Hop., March 8, 1835; m. Jedediah Adams, Dec. 11, 1854; she d. April 29, 1857.

MARIA, b. Hop., Aug. 29, 1837; m. Otis Bliss, Nov. 19, 1853; d. May 2, 1878.

SARAH, b. Feb. 15, 1840; d. July 18, 1853.

Mrs. Chloe d. Sept. 23, 1852. The hus. m., 2d, *Betsey D. Walker*, dr. of Samuel and Martha (Belknap) Walker, b. Hop., March 3, 1810; cer. May 18, 1854, by Rev. J. C. Webster. She also d. April 29, 1877. Thus bereavement has followed bereavement with sad frequency. Mr. Wales still survives, with two grandchn.; viz.,—

FRANK B. BLISS, b. Hop., Feb. 27, 1855.

FRED W. ADAMS, b. Ashland, Feb. 17, 1856.

He has followed the business of farming, formerly in Hop., but latterly in Ashland.

WALES, SYLVESTER[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. May 28, 1809; m. *Lydia Mellen Cheney*, dr. of Asa and Roxana (Pitman) Cheney, b. April 26, 1815; cer.

Sept. 12, 1833, by Rev. Joseph Snelling. Their chn.: —

Catherine Augusta, b. Feb., 1834; d. July 17, 1834, a. 5 mos.

Charles Augustus, b. Jan., 1836; d. Jan. 29, 1841, a. 5 yrs.

Eliza, b. July 7, 1838; d. May 30, 1839, a. 11 mos. nearly.

The hus. and fr. d. of consumption, Jan. 22, 1840. Mrs. Lydia M., his wid., m., 2d, Charles F. Blood; cer. April 17, 1842, by Rev. William Tozer. Thus the family of Sylvester Wales became extinct.

WALES, Thomas Jefferson[3] (John,[2] John[1]), b. April 19, 1817; m. *Lucy M.*, dr. of George Fairbanks, b. 1825; cer. in Thompson, Ct., 1841, by Rev. David Dow. Their chn.: —

Jennie A., b. May 5, 1842; m. George C. Sawyer of Worcester, 1866.

Madora A., b. June 5, 1844; m. Edwin M. Wheelock of Mendon, 1868.

Adelaide E., b. 1847; d. 1847.

Worthy and reputable family.

WALES, Joshua, son of John Hancock Wales; mr.'s maiden name Fanny G. Tower; b. Canton, the part formerly Stoughton, April 3, 1826; m. *Laura Ann Kendall*, dr. of Jonas and Betsey (Webber) Kendall of Kendall's Mills, Fairfield, Me.; cer. at Kendall's Mills, Me., Feb. 11, 1845, by Elder Cressey. Their chn.: —

John H., b. Kendall's Mills, Me., Dec. 19, 1845; d. there, March 19, 1847, a. 15 mos.

John Hancock, b. Stoughton, March 19, 1848; m. Phebe Ann Bunker, Feb. 12, 1869.

Laura A., b. Stoughton, Aug. 11, 1849; d. Sept. 15, 1851.

Joshua Rufus, b. Stoughton, June 8, 1851; m. Orrisa Jane Burrell, March 4, 1875.

The parents have res. in Mil. since July 26, 1862, laudably industrious in useful pursuits, and worthy people.

WALES, John Hancock[3] (Joshua,[2] John Hancock[1]), b. Stoughton, March 19, 1848; m. *Phebe Ann Bunker*, dr. of William B. and Susanna (Eldridge) Bunker, b. Nantucket, 1850; cer. at Hopedale, March 13, 1869, by the writer. Their chn.: —

James H., b. March 6, 1870.

Charles Worth, b. Sept. 13, 1872.

George W., b. Sept. 20, 1874.

William Clark, b. Feb. 10, 1879.

Promising family.

WALES, Joshua Rufus[3] (Joshua,[2] John Hancock[1]), b. Stoughton, June 8, 1851; m. *Orrisa Jane Burrell*, dr. of Alfred A. and Emily L. (Cilley) Burrell, b. So. Woodbury, Vt., 1853; cer. at Hopedale, March 4, 1875, by the writer. Issue: —

Alfred Augustus, b. March 28, 1876.

Laura Emeline, b. Feb. 4, 1877; d. same day.

Ethel Marion, b. Sept. 19, 1878.

Also a promising family.

WALKER. The Walkers were not among our earliest inhabitants. Thomas of Hopkinton is the first of the name mentioned in our records. It seems that he m. Bethiah Chapin, a dr. of the first Dea. John and his wf. Dorcas. She was b. in 1774, and m. April 12, 1750, by Rev. Mr. Frost. How long the parents dwelt here in the Easterly Precinct, I am not informed: but the ch. records show that they had 4 chn. christened; viz., Thomas, June 2, 1751; Nathan,

Oct. 25, 1752, O. S.; Samuel, Aug. 29, 1756, N. S.; and David, June 4, 1758. Prob. they had other chn. in Hop., but I have not further traced them. Afterwards, scarcely a Walker appears to have dwelt on our territory, except transiently, for more than 60 yrs.; though there were considerable numbers of them in Hop., Up., and other neighboring towns. Soon after 1820 they began to flow in, and several branches of the general stock have since been represented in our population. I thought, at first, I might be able to trace them all back to their immigrant ancestors, but found the name so ubiquitous, like Smith, Jones, etc., that I concluded to do the best I could in the wilderness of their genealogy, and let the uncertainties go. Mr. Samuel Walker placed in my hands an interesting genealogical document, prepared for him by Rev. Elias Nason, which purports to give a consecutive lineage from "Capt. Richard Walker" down through 8 generations. I will present the substance of this document: —

WALKER, Capt. RICHARD,[1] from Eng., set. in Lynn, 1630; made freeman, 1634; left 2 sons, RICHARD and SAMUEL.

SAMUEL[2] set. in Woburn as a maltster and innkeeper; d. Nov. 6, 1684, a. 79 yrs., leaving sons Samuel, Israel, John, and Joseph.

ISRAEL[3] m. Susannah, and had 11 chn. Among them 4 sons survived; viz., Henry, b. Feb. 1, 1678–79; Nathaniel, April 15, 1682; Israel, July 26, 1684; and Edward, Nov. 6, 1690. Israel[3] d. at Woburn, April 20, 1719; and his wid. d. 1724.

HENRY[4] m. Ruth, and had 5 chn., among them 3 sons; viz., Henry, b. Aug. 15, 1701; Josiah, May 11, 1705; and Israel, Nov. 6, 1709. This family mvd. to Hop. prior to 1725. HENRY,[5] wf. Mary, had Henry, b. Jan. 17, 1724; Josiah, Feb. 17, 1727; and Ebenezer, Oct. 17, 1731. By 2d wf., Elizabeth Frail, whom he m. Jan. 5, 1737, he had Solomon, bap. June 3, 1739; and Joseph, June 14, 1741. Henry[5] and his son Henry, with 11 other Hop. men, enlisted in the unfortunate expedition to Cuba in 1740. Of these 13 Hop. men all perished save Henry the son, of whom no more is known. Ebenezer Walker, son of Henry,[5] set. in Up. His son Ebenezer m. Molly Wood, and had Ebenezer Wood Walker. Our present Chester W. Walker of Up. is the son of Ebenezer Wood Walker, and gt. gt. gd. son of Henry Walker.[5] Most of the Up. Walkers are descendants of Ebenezer, son of Henry.[5]

WALKER, SOLOMON,[6] m. *Sarah Bullard* of Framingham. Their chn. were, —

JOSEPH, b. 1760; m. Mehetabel Gibbs, Jan. 1, 1784.
SARAH, b. 1762; m. Aaron Fairbanks, Jan. 1, 1784.
BETSEY, b. 1764; m. William Chamberlain, Aug. 15, 1782.
HENRY, b. 1766; m. Polly Desner, Sept. 7, 1787.
POLLY, b. 1768; m., 1st, Dr. William Nutt, May 6, 1792; 2d, Daniel Bullard.
ANNA, b. 1770; m. Phinehas Freeland, June 27, 1793.
COMFORT, b. 1772; m. Charles Stimson, March 1, 1795.
JOSIAH, b. 1774; m. Sally Jenkins.
SOLOMON, Jun., b. 1777; m. Mary Washburn.
LYDIA, b. 1779; m. Samuel Hemenway, Dec. 28, 1797.
ASENATH, b. 1781; m. Aaron Harrington.
EBENEZER, b. 1786; d. unm.
SALLY, b. ——; m. Charles March.

The two last-named chn. were by his 2d wf., *Ann Lovering*, whom he m. Dec. 9, 1784. Solomon[6] became a soldier, as his fr. had been. He spent 3 yrs.

in the old French war, in which he had his thigh and three ribs broken. He was once taken prisoner, and doomed by the Indians to torture. One of the savages came into camp to seize him; but he tore himself from the Indian's grasp, and ran back among his fellows. He was seized again by two Indians, and hurried off; but, as they attempted to wrench his musket from him, he came well nigh killing one of them. He then broke away from the other, and rushed into a thicket; then, though badly wounded and almost breathless, he ran for "dear life," plunged into a small pond margined by brush, and secreted himself. He eluded his hunters a while: but they took a straggling white in the near vicinity, and at length espied Solomon; a race and scuffle ensued, in which he barely escaped their tomahawks. But he shot one of them dead, and the other fled. The result was, that he and the other white man escaped in the darkness, and had the good luck to reach an English fort. So Solomon lived.

As Dexter Walker was long a respected citizen of Mil., and several of his relatives have dwelt among us for longer or shorter periods of time, it seems proper to present their parental family record.

WALKER, JOSEPH[7] (Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. Dec. 26, 1760; m. *Mehetabel Gibbs*, who was b. April 31, 1766; cer. Jan. 1, 1784; res. mostly in Hop. Their chn.:—

SALLY, b. Nov. 3, 1784; m. John McFarland of Hop.; she d. June 7, 1810.

LOVETT, b. Jan. 31, 1787; m. Sophia Perry of Worcester; he d. June 22, 1859.

LEONARD, b. April 9, 1789; m. Eliza Curtis, Newton Lower Falls; he d. April 17, 1863.

BETSEY, b. April 16, 1791; m. Cromwell McFarland; she d. Oct. 11, 1869.

PHINEAS, b. May 3, 1793; m. Maria Williams of Claverack, N.Y.; he still survives.

POLLY, b. April 22, 1795; m. Nathaniel Parker, May 31, 1813.

DEXTER, b. Feb. 6, 1798; m. Ruby Chapin of Milford; he d. June 3, 1870.

MEHETABEL, b. Feb. 14, 1801; m. Luther Eames of Hop., then N.Y.; res. Brooklyn, N.Y.

JOSEPH, b. March 18, 1804; m. Hannah Thayer Chapin of Mil.; res. Newtonville.

EMILY, b. April 25, 1809; m. Alonzo Keith; she d. March 2, 1857.

The parents had an arduous domestic struggle to rear up this large family, sometimes hardly knowing whence the next month's supply could be expected. But persistent industry, ingenuity, and frugality carried them through. Mr. Walker has the honor of being the first in this country, perhaps in the world, to use wooden pegs, instead of waxed thread, in the manufacture of boots and shoes. It was his own invention; and he made the pegs by hand, till a machine was invented to turn them out by the thousand. He d. Jan. 9, 1852. Mrs. Mehetabel had preceded him, having d. Sept. 26, 1849.

WALKER, DEXTER[8] (Joseph,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. in Hop., Feb. 6, 1798; m. *Ruby Chapin*, dr. of Major Levi and Olive (Thayer) Chapin, b. July 29, 1798; cer. Dec. 23, 1821, by Rev. D. Long. No chn.

A worthy and highly respectable pair. He was trained to the shoe and boot making business, and was more or less engaged in that kind of manufacture through life. They res. for several yrs. on Main St., corner of Prospect, but later in life on Main, opposite the Maj. Chapin place. There they both successively d.: he June 3, 1870; she a few yrs. ago.

Yours Truly

Saml. Warren

WALKER, SOLOMON, Jun.,[7] uncle of the preceding; m. *Mary Washburn* of Natick, and they had the following-named chn.:—

EMORY, b. date not obtained; our townsman; m. Abigail D. Bartlett, Dec. 25, 1828.

LOWELL, b. date not obtained; res. Natick; m. Harriet Bartlett, April 10, 1833.

MARY, b. date not obtained; m. Sherburn Seavy.

SARAH, b. date not obtained; m. William Flagg.

ELIZA, b. date not obtained; m., 1st., James Reagan; 2d., James Morris.

HANNAH, b. date not obtained; m. James McArthur.

SAMUEL, b. Dec. 30, 1821; m. Lucy E. Johnson.

SUSAN, b. date not obtained; m. Prentice Lamb.

EMILY, b. date not obtained; m. Henry Newton.

WALKER, EMORY[8] (Solomon,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. in Natick, date not obtained; m. *Abigail D. Bartlett*, dr. of Joshua and Sally (Bright) Bartlett, b. in Needham; cer. Mil., Dec. 25, 1828, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

EMERSON, b. Sept. 17, 1830; m., 1st, Charlotte M. Willis; 2d, Louisa M. Colburn.

FREDERICK, b. Dec. 2, 1835; m. Minnie I. Cleaves, Boston, March 1, 1874.

Mr. Walker came to Mil. in his youth, engaged in the boot and shoe business, and has pursued the manufacture through various risks, experiences and successes, for more than half a century. He and his wf. have been steadily industrious, prudent and upright co-workers through a long life. They have res. 52 yrs. in their present home, corner of Congress and West Sts., and can testify to the remarkable fact, that, though they have had 17 families as tenants in their house, and a large number of boarders from yr. to yr., yet not a single death has occurred under their roof. They are plain, substantial, worthy people, who mind their own business, and noiselessly contribute their share towards the promotion of good neighborhood.

WALKER, SAMUEL[8] (Solomon,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. in Natick, Dec. 30, 1821; m. *Lucy Elizabeth Johnson*, dr. of Col. Lewis and Sally Godfrey (Parkhurst) Johnson, b. June 21, 1825; cer. Feb. 1, 1845, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

HENRIETTA, b. April 2, 1847; m. Martin N. Day of Westfield, Oct. 22, 1868.

MARY ELEANOR, b. Oct. 6, 1848; d. July 25, 1853.

LEWIS JOHNSON, b. July 7, 1852; d. Nov. 15, 1857.

CLINTON SAMUEL, b. Sept. 21, 1854; d. Nov. 15, 1857, a double funeral.

JOHN PARKHURST, b. Nov. 27, 1861.

SOPHIA MAYHEW, b. Aug. 7, 1864.

Mr. Walker commenced life in humble circumstances, and, by persistent enterprise, has worked his way up to wealth and influence. His leading business has been in the leather, boot and shoe line. He owns the ancient Chapin lands, near Mill River, toward Mendon, and has erected a costly family mansion on the site once occupied by Adams Chapin, Esq. He has vastly improved its grounds and surroundings, so that it has scarcely a rival seat in town. He is president of the Home National Bank, and constantly building dwellings and places of business for the accommodation of the incoming population at So. Hopedale. Meantime he and his worthy wf. are devoted members of the Cong. ch., take great interest in its S. school, and zealously promote the general prosperity of all its institutional interests.

Perhaps I may as well insert here the present gd. chn. of these parents, rather than under the name DAY, where otherwise I should place them. HENRIETTA WALKER, b. as above, was m. to *Martin Noble Day*, son of David Noble Day of Westfield, b. Feb., 1836; cer. Oct. 22, 1868, by Rev. Alfred A. Ellsworth. Their chn.:—

DAVID WALKER, b. April 13, 1870; d. Dec. 29, 1874.
SAMUEL WALKER, b. March 16, 1873.
PAUL, b. July 13, 1875.
EDWARD BLISS, b. Aug. 27, 1876.
LUCY ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 27, 1879.

WALKER, HORACE[8] (Henry,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. in Up., March 8, 1818; mr.'s maiden name Meletiah Gore; occupation, heel-maker; m. *Emma Amanda Chapin*, dr. of Joseph B. and Priscilla (Sadler) Chapin, b. in Up., Sept. 27, 1825; cer. in Up., date not given, by Rev. Benjamin Wood. Issue:—

JAMES EUGENE, b. Up., Aug. 17, 1849; m. Clara Jane Lothrop, Nov. 5, 1873, whose family record immediately follows below.

Mr. Walker could not give me his ancestry beyond his gd. fr.; but, having been furnished from other sources with the remoter links of the general lineage, I readily traced his pedigree to Capt. Richard.[1] How long he has res. in Mil., he does not report to me; but I presume for a considerable length of time. I take for granted the respectability of his family standing.

WALKER, JAMES EUGENE[9] (Horace,[8] Henry,[7] Ebenezer,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. Up., Aug. 17, 1849; m. *Clara Jane Lothrop*, dr. of William L. and Susan (Putnam) Lothrop, b. Acton, Aug. 25, 1850; cer. So. Boston, Nov. 5, 1873, by Rev. Edward A. Rand. Issue:—

LELIA AMY, b. March 14, 1880.

Mr. Walker is well known by our general community as the expert, competent, and trusted treasurer of Milford Savings Bank, etc.

WALKER, RICHARD, came with his family from Portsmouth, N.H., to Hopedale in 1853, and became a mem. of the Hopedale Community in 1854. He has, till recently, res. at Hopedale since 1853; but now, in his 84th yr., res. with his son Charles in Cambridge. According to his written statement, made to me a while since, he must be a descendant prob. of Capt. Richard, before named, though he does not pretend to trace his lineage completely back. He says in substance, "My gd. fr., Richard, was the son of Joseph, and lived in Rochester, N.H., where his fr. Richard also lived. I have heard that they were descendants of 3 bros. that came over from Eng. together. My gd. fr., Richard, moved to Milton, N.H., when it was almost a wilderness, and cleared up the homestead on which my fr. brought up his family. My gd. fr. was a Revolutionary soldier. My fr., Joseph, an only son, was b. Feb. 12, 1769. My mr. was Sally Pray, dr. of Joshua Pray, Lebanon, Me. Their chn. were,—

RICHARD, b. Jan. 10, 1797; m., 1st, Sally Hatch, March, 1825; 2d, Eliza Hatch, 1841.
ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 24, 1799; d. Jan. 30, 1858, a. 59 yrs.
MERCY, b. Aug., 1801; d. May 18, 1869, a. 68 yrs.
ASA T., b. Nov. 24, 1803.
EMILY, b. April 4, 1806.
ELIZA, b. Aug. 3, 1808; d. Nov. 18, 1825, a. 17 yrs.
JOSEPH, b. June 12, 1812; d. Aug. 3, 1859, a. 48 yrs.

Sarah, b. April 20, 1814.

Harriet, b. May 17, 1817. My fr. d. Jan. 22, 1850.

WALKER, Richard[4] (Joseph,[3] Richard,[2] Richard[1]), b. Milton, N.H., Jan. 10, 1797; m., 1st, *Sally Hatch*, dr. of William and Elizabeth, b. Aug. 22, 1798; cer. Feb., 1825. Chn.:—

Charles William, b. Nov. 8, 1825; d. Dec. 7, 1826, a. 13 mos.

Eliza Abbie, b. Aug. 22, 1827; m. William B. Franklin, Dec. 27, 1856.

Richard, b. Nov. 30, 1829; d. April 19, 1833, a. 3 yrs. 5 mos.

Sarah Emma, b. Feb. 13, 1832; m. James M. Morey, Sept. 25, 1853.

Edward, b. July 4, 1834; m. Chloe H. Cook, Nov. 29, 1855.

Charles, b. Sept. 2, 1836; m., 1st, Lizzie A. Farnum; 2d, Jeanie Smith; res. Cambridge.

Mrs. Sally d. Feb. 2, 1837. And the hus. m., 2d, *Eliza*, sister of the preceding, Feb. 2, 1840. Chn.:—

Harriet S., b. March 17, 1843; m. John B. Saunders, Sept. 16, 1865; d. Jan. 4, 1873; left 1 son.

Ellen, b. Nov. 5, 1844; m. Alanza T. Gifford, Aug. 12, 1867; res. Providence, R.I.

Mrs. Eliza, 2d wf., d. Hopedale, Dec. 17, 1869. Her hus. survives, as aforesaid. He is a man of remarkable mechanical genius and skill, has invented several useful machines, is a great thinker on important subjects, and retains his faculties in unusual vigor. His sons inherit his mechanical genius and his mental powers with increased capability. His son Charles occupies a highly responsible post in the great Riverside printing-establishment at Cambridge, being also president of Cambridge City Common Council; and his son Edward is a conspicuous machinist, as well as trusted citizen, at Hopedale.

WALKER, Edward[5] (Richard,[4] Joseph,[3] Richard,[2] Richard[1]), b. July 4, 1834; m. *Chloe Hunt Cook*, dr. of Stephen and Diana (Hunt) Cook, b. Feb. 2, 1837; cer. Nov. 29, 1837, by the writer. Their chn.:—

Emma Lucy, b. Aug. 31, 1857; a responsible employé in Riverside establishment.

Arthur Francis, b. Oct. 2, 1863; a recent grad. from Mil. High School.

Edward Lloyd, b. Dec. 9, 1874.

WALKER, Capt. Henry, of Hopedale, is alleged to be a descendant of Robert Walker, bro. of Richard. A very intelligent sister of Capt. Henry, Mrs. Tenney of Boston, has favored me with considerable information, which she has been at much pains to collect, concerning this lineage. She has set. down in conclusions, the substance of which I will state. Richard, John, and Robert Walker, bros., all admitted freemen in Boston, 1632. Of Robert's chn. 3 set. in Stratford, Ct.; viz., Zachariah, Jacob, and Joseph. Zachariah was a clergyman, and subsequently moved to Woodbury, Ct. He had a son Zachariah who held the office of deacon. *He* had 9 chn., 1 of whom, Josiah, by name, set. in Litchfield, Ct. Tracing the descent downward, the outcome stands thus: Robert,[1] Rev. Zachariah,[2] Dea. Zachariah,[3] Josiah of Litchfield,[4] Josiah, 1st, of Stratford,[5] Josiah, 2d, of Stratford,[6] Henry, sen., of Haverhill, Mass.,[7] and Henry, jun., of Hopedale.[8]

WALKER, Henry, Sen.[7] (Josiah,[6] Josiah,[5] Josiah,[4] Zachariah,[3] Zachariah,[2] Robert[1]), b. Stratford, Ct., Sept. 1, 1788; m. *Anna Woodbury*, b. at Salem, N.H., Feb., 1792; cer. in Boston, Dec. 28, 1817. Their chn.:—

Henry, Jun., b. Boston, Jan. 19, 1819; m. Mary Jane George, Oct. 10, 1851.

William, b. Boston, Sept. 17, 1820; d. Oct. 12 ensuing.

Elizabeth Anna, b. Boston, June 11, 1822; m. William D. B. Tenney, Oct. 6, 1844.

Maria, b. Salem, N.H., May 14, 1824; d. Sept. 20, 1825.

George Woodbury, b. Salem, N.H., Oct. 7, 1825; d. Philadelphia, Aug. 31, 1850; unm.

William Z., b. Salem, N.H., Oct. 21, 1827; d. Newbern, N.C., March 14, 1862; unm.

Charles Woodbury, b. Salem, N.H., Feb. 22, 1829; living, unm.

Franklin, b. Salem, N.H., Nov. 18, 1830; m. Margaret Barnwell, Feb. 8, 1854; d. Philadelphia, Sept. 4, 1867.

Marie Antoinette, b. Salem, N.H., June 12, 1832; m. William Gardner Wright, Feb. 23, 1851.

The fr., Henry, sen., was a sea-captain in the India trade, and made several voyages round the world. The mr. d. in Bradford, Feb. 8, 1845; the fr. d. at his son's in Hopedale, Dec. 3, 1872.

WALKER, Henry, Jun.[8] (Henry,[7] Josiah,[6] Josiah,[5] Josiah,[4] Zachariah,[3] Zachariah,[2] Robert[1]), b. Boston, Jan. 19, 1819; m. *Mary*, dr. of John and Mary Jane (Brown) George, b. in Bradford, N.H., July 23, 1831; cer. Haverhill, Mass., Oct. 10, 1851. Their chn.: —

Eugene Tenney, b. Hookset, N.H., Aug. 21, 1852; m. Arabella Carpenter, Oct. 14, 1874.

Charles Henry, b. Natick, Mass., Nov. 3, 1854; m. Sarah Forbes, Nov. 5, 1875.

William Frank, b. Natick, Mass., Aug. 29, 1856; res. Chicago, Ill.

George Woodbury, b. Natick, Mass., Oct. 5, 1862; clerk in Danvers State Asylum.

Anna Mary, b. Mil., July 24, 1867; res. with parents.

The fr. is a man of mechanical skill and judgment, and has been mostly employed as foreman of boot-manufactories. His wf. is an estimable woman. Eugene T., machinist, and family, res. at Hopedale. Charles Henry and family, I understand, res. at Westborough.

WALKER, William[9] (Leonard,[8] Joseph,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. in Hop., June 27, 1822; boot-manufacturer; m., 1st, *Susan Wheeler*, dr. of Thomas and Hannah (Dewing) Wheeler of Hop.; cer. in Hop., April 30, 1845. Their chn.: —

Charles Frank, b. in Hop., Oct. 17, 1845; d. May 25, 1852.

Hannah Abby, b. in Hop., July 23, 1847; m. Charles Carpenter, Oct. 16, 1872.

Mary Wheeler, b. in Hop., Aug. 23, 1850; m. Joseph B. Phipps, June 10, 1867.

Frank Gifford, b. in Hop., May 23, 1854; d. Mil., Sept. 8, 1863.

Mrs. Susan d. Hop., Feb. 3, 1856. The hus. m., 2d, *Adeline Ursula Cheney*, dr. of Carmel and Ursula K. (Richardson) Cheney, b. Mil., May 31, 1831; cer. in Perry, Jackson Co., Ia., Oct. 27, 1856, by William Jenkins, Esq. Their chn.: —

Susan Adeline, b. Mil., Sept. 8, 1858; m. Cyriel Easten Brown, Nov. 1, 1875.

Angie Eliza, b. Mil., Sept. 20, 1861; d. Sept. 9, 1862.

William Sumner, b. Mil., Aug. 18, 1862.

Emeline Cheney, b. Mil., Oct. 29, 1864.

Mellville Curtis, b. Mil., May 20, 1868.

Grandchn. : —

Burt Wheeler Carpenter, son of Charles and Hannah A., b. Mil., Sept. 17, 1873.

William Walker Phipps, son of Joseph B. and Mary W., b. Hop., June 26, 1870.

Frank Gifford Phipps, son of Joseph B. and Mary W., b. Hop., July 4, 1872.

George Vernon Phipps, son of Joseph B. and Mary W., b. Hop., May 28, 1874.

Ethel Ursula Brown, dr. of Cyriel and Susan A., b. Mil., Nov. 4, 1876.

Bessie Brown, dr. of Cyriel and Susan A., b. Mil., Sept. 29, 1878.

Mr. Walker was a man of much natural ability, enterprise, and executive energy. At the head of the firm of Walker, Johnson, & Co., he was very successful in business; and a promising career of temporal prosperity seemed to illuminate his future. But his skies were soon darkened by clouds of adversity. His health began to fail; and he went West into a new business, in hope of regaining it, which proved a disappointment. He returned to Mil. with an ambition to triumph over disease by his native energy. He could not, but, through the sinking gradations of a long and distressing decline, finally passed away. He d. in hope of an immortal life, April 6, 1872, leaving his sorely bereaved family to battle as best they could with the desolations which had overwhelmed them.

WALKER, EMERSON[9] (Emory,[8] Solomon,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. Sept. 17, 1830; m., 1st, *Charlotte M. Willis*, dr. of Edwin and Charlotte (Tower) Willis, b. Braintree, date not given; cer. 1852; further particulars not given, except that Mrs. Charlotte d. in Mil., Jan., 1876, a. 42 yrs. Meantime, as I infer, there had been a legal separation of the parties. Mr. W. m., 2d, *Louisa M. Colburn*, dr. of David and S. A. (Parkhurst) Colburn, b. in New London, Ct., Oct. 25, 1840; cer. Chicago, Ill., April 21, 1867, by Rev. W. F. Ollendoff. Their chn.: —

EMOLENA L., b. in Chicago, Aug. 17, 1868.

LILLIE A , b. in Chicago, Oct. 25, 1869.

FLORENCE M., b. in Chicago, March 19, 1870.

HOREA I., b. in Chicago, June 11, 1871.

GOLDIE E., b. in Chicago, March 7, 1873.

CLARA L., b. in Chicago, June 25, 1874; d. July 29, 1874.

LUCENIE V., b. in Chicago, Aug. 25, 1875.

This family res. for some yrs., as above seen, in Chicago, Ill.; but latterly in Mass.

WALKER, FREDERICK[9] (Emory,[8] Solomon,[7] Solomon,[6] Henry,[5] Henry,[4] Israel,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard[1]), b. Dec. 2, 1835; our well-known citizen in the clothing business, 150 Main St.; m. *Minnie I. Cleaves* of Boston, ptge. not given; b. June 26, 1854; cer. Boston, March 1, 1870, by Rev. Henry Morgan. One son, —

EDWARD BARTLETT, b. June 1, 1874.

WALKER, ABEL, and wf. *Martha*, lineage not ascertained, are credited on our record of town-births with 4 chn.; viz., —

CHARLES ELNATHAN, b. Dec. 24, 1827.

CAROLINE AUGUSTA, b. Dec. 21, 1829.

GEORGE PHIPPS, b. Aug. 2, 1833.

HARRIET, b. Oct. 5, 1835.

They res., I think, for some yrs., near Silver Hill. No further traced.

WALKER, Emery, and wf. *Hulda*, lineage not traced, credited, as above, with —

Caroline Nancy, b. Sept. 25, 1836.

Ellen Maria, b. March 9, 1838.

Angeline Sophia, b. Oct. 16, 1840.

Res. not ascertained. No further traced.

WALKER, Dea. Samuel W.[6] (Asa,[5] Samuel,[4] John,[3] Samuel,[2] Capt. Richard [1]); mr.'s maiden name Eliza White; b. Wilton, Me., May 30, 1814; employé in the manufacture of boots, etc.; m., 1st, *Harriet Parker*, dr. of Asa and Ann M. (McCristine) Parker, b. in Acton, Aug. 14, 1824; cer. in Acton, May 31, 1843, by Rev. James T. Woodbury. Their chn.: —

Myron Samuel, b. Acton, Feb. 22, 1845; d. in Cincinnati, O., Feb. 25, 1873.

Harriet Elizabeth, b. Acton, Feb. 4, 1847; m. Stedman W. Howe, jun., Oct. 3, 1865; d. June 23, 1876.

Ella Maria Augusta, b. Acton, Feb. 7, 1849; m. Lewis A. Worthington, June 8, 1871.

Roscoe Parker, b. Acton, May 4, 1851; d. Aug. 24, 1861.

George Henry, b. Mil., May 9, 1853; d. Sept. 22, 1855.

Addie Louisa, b. Mil., Aug. 15, 1857; d. Nov. 27, 1870.

Mrs. Harriet d. March 12, 1859. Dea. W. m., 2d, *Ellen L. Sloper*, dr. of Ambrose and Martha (Cushman) Sloper, b. in Boston, Aug. 30, 1842; cer. in Sherborn, Aug. 12, 1865, by Rev. Edmund Dowse. Their chn.: —

Minnie Spencer, b. Mil., Sept. 12, 1866.

Harvey Wellington, b. Mil., June 22, 1868.

Mr. W. set. in Mil. 28 yrs. ago, and has held the office of deacon in the Cong. ch. for the last 23. He has honored that office, and all his other responsible positions in the various relationships of life, by eminently exemplary moral rectitude and worth, in which his family have sympathetically shared.

WALKER, Moses, ancestry traced only to his gd. fr., Timothy Walker. He was doubtless a descendant of Capt. Richard through Henry.[4] The gd. son is an enterprising boot-manufacturer in our Centre. Timothy Walker, the gd. fr., a farmer, was b. in Hop., Feb. 12, 1753. He m. Lois Gibbs, b. in Sudbury, Nov. 6, 1756; date and particulars of cer. not given. Mr. W. was one of the old Revolutionaries, and somewhat of a genius in his rustic way. When Gen. William Hull, also a Revolutionary veteran, surrendered Fort Detroit and his little army to the British, in the war of 1812, Mr. W. was one of the many deeply disgusted patriots who denounced Hull as a coward and traitor. Though little of a scholar, he conceived the ambition to tell Gen. Hull what he thought of him in a private letter. After this, he was urged and encouraged by zealous friends to have his letter printed. As Hull had not deigned to answer him, he thought it ungenerous to publish his strictures without giving the general an opportunity to reply in his own defence. But, of course, he got no response to his second letter any more than to his first; though it warned the traitor, that, if he persisted in his silent contempt, he would soon be exposed in print. Both letters appear to have been written in 1820, and about nine months apart. The first was of very considerable length, the second was brief. Both were soon printed in a pamphlet. They were so serio-comical as to make quite a stir in Hop. and its general vicinity, exciting in some minds grave and in others mirthful emotions. They were reprinted in the "Hopkinton Observer" of Nov. 11, 1874, a copy of which has just been sent me by his gd. son Moses. I very well remember a volunteer toast given by the old gentleman at a 4th

of July celebration by the Democrats of Mil. and neighboring towns. It was held in what used to be called the Lower Village, soon after I became minister at the brick ch. The president of the day announced, "You will now please give your attention to a volunteer toast from Mr. Timothy Walker of Hopkinton, author of letters to Gen. Hull." [Much merriment.] The toast was a long and studied one, "Party spirit, — that wicked and baneful party spirit, by which kingdoms and empires have been overthrown, and by which too many of the good people of this town have been greatly led astray;" here he made a semicolon pause to renew his breath. Whereupon our enthusiastic Horatio N. Smith, director of gunnery for the occasion, supposing him through, gave the signal, and off went the fieldpiece, followed by a general shout of applause. Somewhat discomfited, but without loss of pluck, the venerable toaster cried out at the top of his voice, "Hear the rest: I was not half through." Order being restored by the president, Mr. W. began anew, and reaching the semicolon, as above, proceeded, "may that wicked and baneful party spirit be plucked up by the roots, transported to the island of Java, and set in battle array with the Bohon-Upas tree, till it shall be proved which is most poisonous, party spirit or that Bohon-Upas tree." Another gun and a general shout. Timothy Walker d. in Hop., Nov. 20, 1834. Mrs. Lois, his wid., d. Bell., April 17, 1850, a. 94 yrs. Otis Walker, son of Timothy and Lois, b. in Hop., Aug. 6, 1800; m. Hannah Hayden, b. Hop., July 2, 1804; cer. Hop., April 14, 1825, by Esq. Harrington. They had 3 sons and 2 drs. None of them res. here but Moses, first above named. He was b. Hop., Jan. 29, 1826, and m. *Delia Bixby*, b. Hop., July 18, 1830, dr. of Joel and Elizabeth (Mellen) Bixby; cer. Hop., Dec. 30, 1855, by Rev. John Calvin Webster. One son, —

HENRY M., b. Aug. 22, 1864.

In reputable standing all.

WALKER, EUGENE TENNEY[9] (Henry, jun.,[8] Henry,[7] Josiah,[6] Josiah,[5] Josiah,[4] Zachariah,[3] Zachariah,[2] Robert[1]), b. Hookset, N.Y., Aug. 21, 1852; machinist at Hopedale; m. *Arabella Maria Carpenter*, dr. of Byron and Jane A. (Mason) Carpenter, b. July 6, 1855; cer. Mil., Oct. 14, 1874, by Rev. Edward A. Perry. Issue: —

ALICE, b. Hopedale, May, 1876.

HARRY, b. Hopedale, Nov., 1878.

Promising young family.

WARD. We have had but a slight sprinkling of the Wards. They have preferred to dwell in the neighboring towns, and other more distant localities.

WARD, ELIJAH, was m. to *Hannah Reed*, by Rev. Mr. Frost, July 27, 1749; and he baptized 2 chn. for them; viz., CALEB and HANNAH, both the same day, Oct. 25, O. S., 1752. Then they disappeared.

WARD, JOSIAH, was m. to *Deborah Sheffield*, Sept. 1, 1748, prob. in old Mendon and they had —

WILLIAM, b. Jan. 28, 1749.

SILENCE, b. Jan. 28, 1750.

Both these were christened by Mr. Frost. Also, he m. Silence to Stephen Rawson of Conway, May 30, 1776.

Josiah Ward d. Oct. 8, 1750; and his wid. was m. to John Fish, by Mr. Frost, May 7, 1752. No further traced.

WARD, JOSEPH, and wf. *Sarah*, came from Hop., 1792, and res. a while in Bear-hill district. Their chn. were, —

Sarah, b. Jan. 14, 1756.
Stephen, b. Oct. 13, 1758.
Phineas, b. Feb. 14, 1761.
Mary, b. July 24, 1764.
No more told.

WARD, Elizabeth, pedigree unindicated, was m. to *John Binney*, jun., by Mr. Frost, Dec. 6, 1753.

These are the Wards of olden times. Latterly the name has increased in our directories; but as none of the modern Wards have signified their desire to be recognized in this vol., I shall allow my closing haste to excuse their omission.

WARE. This name was formerly spelled Waer, but later Ware.

WARE, William; pedigree and birth-date not found; m. *Abigail L. Clark*, dr. of Lovell and Mary (Bullen) Clark, b. Mil., July 26, 1800; cer. April 7, 1822, by Rev. D. Long. Issue: —

Elizabeth Lovell, b. Mil., June 11, 1823; m. Capt. Elbridge Mann, Dec. 19, 1844.
William Clark, b. Mil., March 1, 1826; untraced.
Mary Maria, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1832; untraced.
George Warren, b. Mil., Dec. 24, 1837; untraced.

Mr. Ware, if I rightly recollect, was a skilful and industrious painter. But he attained only to middle age. He d. May 25, 1839, a. 43 yrs. His venerable and worthy wid. still survives. Concerning her 3 younger chn. I have no information.

WARE, George Sewall, bro. of the preceding; m. *Electa Baker;* pedigree, etc., of neither traced; cer. Jan. 2, 1823, in Mil., by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Issue: —

Harriet Ursula, b. Mil., Nov. 17, 1823.
Frances Warren, b. April 1, 1826.
George Edward, b. Sept. 7, 1828.
Thomas, J. B., b. April 25, 1831.
Laura Littlefield, b. Sept. 17, 1833.
Amos, b. Oct. 17, 1836.
Clara, b. May 9, 1840.

I have lost all trace of this family, but think I have been told that the parents have both gone the way of all the earth.

WARE, Lucy, an intelligent and worthy sister of the aforenamed two bros., used to res. much in Mil. I saw her in Holl. a few months since; and she told me the husband's name of whom, in a green old age, she survives the wid. But my memory does not retain the particulars of her story.

WARFIELD. Our Warfields all descended from Dea. John of Mendon. He was in Dedham as early as 1642, and prob. came from Eng. a few yrs. before. He was made freeman, and m. *Hannah Randall.* They were next at Medfield, whence they came to Mendon town-seat in 1685. He dwelt on the George place, and seems to have soon grown into public confidence. He was made deacon of the ch., put in charge of the meeting-house, and appointed schoolmaster of the chn. and youth, — the first master of the common schools that mother Mendon ever had. He must, therefore, have stood high for piety, intelligence, and general trustworthiness. He is said to have m., 1st., *Elizabeth Sheppard*, by whom he had John, Aug. 20, 1662, and Elizabeth, Aug. 29, 1665. The 1st wf. d. May 24, 1669; then the hus. m. *Peregrina* ——, who. d. April 1, 1671. Then he m., 3d, the forenamed *Hannah Randall*, and had Itha-

mar, March 28, 1676; Ephraim, Oct. 4, 1679; Elihu, April 27, 1682; Mary, at Mendon, April 17, 1685; and another, Elizabeth, March 8, 1688; perhaps, also, sometime, a son, Samuel. But I am not quite sure of all the forestated data. I may have misunderstood my authorities on some points. Dea. John d. April 12, 1692. Now, as his son Elihu was prob. the progenitor of all our Mil. Warfields, I shall confine myself to him and his descendants. He dwelt in Mendon, on the homestead now owned by John Gaskill.

WARFIELD, ELIHU[2] (Dea. John[1]), birth-date not found; m. *Mary*, ptge. and particulars of cer. not found. Their chn.: —

MARY, b. Nov. 7, 1715; m. Jonathan Hayward, jun.

ELIZABETH, b. April 29, 1717.

Mrs. Mary, the 1st wf., d. Sept. 15, 1717; and the hus. m., 2d, *Sarah;* further particulars not ascertained. Their chn.: —

ELIHU, b. Oct. 24, 1722.

SARAH, b. Oct. 5, 1724.

JOB, b. July 7, 1726; m. Huldah Thayer, June 12, 1751.

I find no further particulars of this first Elihu and his 2d wf.

WARFIELD, ELIHU[3] (Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Oct. 24, 1722; m. *Ruth Green;* cer. May 24, 1744. I understand that Ruth Green's fr., whose name is said to have been John, dwelt on the Samuel Warfield place, long so called; and that the second Elihu, either by purchase or through his wf.'s inheritance, came into possession of that estate. It continued in possession of his descendants till after the death of the late Homer J. Warfield, his gt. gd. son. It is now owned by Samuel Gaskill. The chn. of Elihu and Ruth Green: —

HANNAH, b. Feb. 17, 1745; no further traced.

ELIHU, b. July 1, 1747; no further traced.

JOHN, b. Jan. 5, 1749; m. Deborah Taft, April 3, 1777, and had Lydia.

PAUL, b. Nov. 22, 1751; no further traced.

SAMUEL, b. Jan. 13, 1757; m. Margaret Gay, March 22, 1780.

ABIJAH, b. April 17, 1759; m. Lydia Wheelock, Dec. 11, 1783.

Mrs. Ruth d. May 11, 1763. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Ellis* of Medway; cer. May 30, 1764. Their chn.: —

MARY, b. June 16, 1765; m. Jacob Fiske, Chesterfield, Feb. 18, 1790.

DAVID, b. April 22, 1767; d. young.

RUTH, b. March 19, 1770; m. Jonathan Highland, Providence, R.I., Jan. 13, 1791.

ESTHER, b. June 26, 1772; untraced.

Elihu, the hus. and fr., d. March 6, 1800. Death-date of Mrs. Mary not found.

WARFIELD, Capt. SAMUEL[4] (Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Jan. 13, 1757; one of the braves of the Revolutionary war, whose perpetual delight it was to narrate the exploits, experiences, and stirring incidents of that war. Those old enough in this vicinity to recollect him, will remember how erect he stood in his old age, how his countenance lighted up, and how emphatically he shook his queue, when he had a chance to expatiate on his favorite theme. He m. *Margaret Gay*, or *Margery* as the old scribes wrote it; cer. March 22, 1780. I am a little mystified about their oldest chn. The Mendon records begin with Samuel, jun., in 1789. But if my recollection serves me, he had two or more older chn. I shall venture to begin with, —

LUTHER, b. about 1782; m. Alice Thompson of Mendon, 1807; he d. 1851.

LEWIS, b. about 1784 or 5; twice m.; second time to Sylvia Warfield; he d. Aug. 21, 1866.

DENE, b. between 1781 and 1786; not found; d. Jan. 20, 1851, a. about 70 to 75 yrs.

SAMUEL, Jun., b. Dec. 25, 1789; m., 1st, Lucy Howard; 2d, Martha Johnson.

SARAH, b. March 13, 1792; m. Newell W. Howard, Dec. 25, 1820.

OLIVE, b. Sept. 2, 1794; m. Josiah Gould, 1814; d. Feb. 10, 1833.

HANNAH, b. March 19, 1797; m. Joseph Albee, June 18, 1828.

Capt. Samuel d. Feb. 20, 1845, a. about 88 yrs. Mrs. Margaret d. Sept. 22, 1848, a. 90 yrs.

WARFIELD, ABIJAH[4] (Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. April 17, 1759; m. *Lydia Wheelock*, dr. of Ebenezer and Mary (Sluman) Wheelock, b. 1759; cer. Dec. 11, 1783, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

ABIGAIL, b. Aug. 1, 1784; m. Joseph Thompson of Bell., May 30, 1816.

ELIAS, b. March 1, 1786; m. Sophia Whitney of Upton, 1816.

SUKEY, b. Nov. 2, 1788; not m., I think; d. 1862.

POLLY, b. Dec. 23, 1790; m. Aaron Holbrook, Bell., 1828.

ELIJAH, b. Oct. 15, 1792; m. Lydia Howard, April 6, 1823.

RUBY, b. Jan. 13, 1795; perhaps remained unm.; d. Sept. 18, 1822.

OBADIAH, b Dec. 21, 1796; m. Abigail Johnson. No chn.

SYLVIA, b. Nov. 16, 1798; m. Lewis Warfield, her cousin; she d. March 15, 1864.

EBENEZER, b. July 31, 1802; m., 1st, Aurilla Hill, Oct. 15, 1828; 2d, Lorana Freeman, 1833.

Abijah Warfield dwelt in So. Mil., and for many yrs. on what is now called Warfield St., the ancient home of Ebenezer Wheelock, his wf.'s fr. It is now an abandoned site, and is described in my category of such sites. See Chap. XV. Abijah d. Nov. 28, 1822. Mrs. Lydia d. Dec. 8, 1843.

WARFIELD, SAMUEL, Jun.[5] (Capt. Samuel,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Dec. 25, 1789; m., 1st, *Lucy Howard*, dr. of Joel and Ruth (Morse) Howard, b. March 17, 1797; cer. Dec. 25, 1817, by Rev. D. Long; 1 child:—

LUCY HOWARD, b. Oct. 19, 1822; m. Davis Wilber, Oct. 15, 1843.

Mrs. Lucy d. Nov. 8, 1822. The hus. m., 2d, *Martha Johnson*, dr. of Clark and Patty (Goulding) Johnson, b. in Worcester; cer. Nov. 17, 1824, by Rev. D. Long. Their chn.:—

MARTHA MARIA, b. Sept. 5, 1825; m. Jerome L. S. Clark, Feb. 12, 1844.

MARY LOUISA, b. July 28, 1827; m. William E. Fales, Oct. 3, 1852.

HOMER JOHNSON, b. Oct. 2, 1828; m. Mary Isadore Newman.

Samuel, jun., lived and d. on the old homestead. He was a legitimate scion of the paternal stock, an enterprising undertaker of laborious jobs at road-building, etc., and the filial care-taker of his parents in their old age. He d. May 24, 1870; and Mrs. Martha, his. wid., survived him only till June 22, 1871.

WARFIELD, ELIAS[5] (Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. March 1, 1786; m. *Sophia Whitney*, dr. of Ephraim and Jemima (Whipple) Whitney, b. in Upton, 1789; cer. 1816, prob. Upton. Their chn.:—

ADDISON, b. Dec. 6, 1816; m. Harriet A. Rockwood.

SOPHIA, b. Aug. 20, 1820; m., 1st, Elijah Bullard; 2d, Ariel Cook.

ELIAS, b. Aug. 11, 1823; d. April 11, 1826.

RUBY, b. May 26, 1826; m. Rev. L. R. Thayer.

WHIPPLE, b. March 12, 1828.

CATHERINE, b. ———; d. Dec. 9, 1828.

No further informed concerning this family.

WARFIELD, ELIJAH[5] (Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Oct. 15, 1792; m. *Lydia Howard*, dr. of Ephraim and Sarah (Wedge) Howard, b. April 21, 1797; cer. April 6, 1823, by Rev. Jacob Frieze. Their chn.: —

JAMES MADISON, b. May 17, 1823; m. Ellen Matilda Newhall, March 14, 1850.

CHARLES SLUMAN, b. Oct. 2, 1824; d. March 28, 1836, a. 12 yrs.

ARVILLA, b. Sept. 7, 1826; yet remains unm.

ESTHER CORNELL, b. Nov. 6, 1828; m. Charles Knights, Sept. 3, 1854.

NEWELL, b. Feb. 2, 1831; m. Elvira Warfield; he d. Dec. 26, 1873, a. 42.

DAVID LONG, b. Nov. 6, 1832; yet remains unm.; res. So. Mil.

WILLIAM WHEELOCK, b. Nov. 17, 1834; m. Mary Sophia (Nichols) Howard, Nov. 30, 1870.

HARRIET HOWARD, b. Feb. 16, 1837; m. Merrick P. Thayer, Feb. 20, 1866.

The hus. and fr. d. Oct. 25, 1870, a. 78 yrs. Mrs. Lydia d. May 31, 1877, a. 80 yrs.; a beloved wf. and mr.

WARFIELD, OBADIAH[5] (Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Dec. 21, 1796; farmer, So. Milford; m. *Abigail Johnson*, ptge., birth-date, mge.-date, etc., not ascertained. No chn. Res. on a snug little homestead, So. Main St. Industrious, honest, well-disposed farming people. Mrs. Abigail d. Oct. 10, 1871, a. 72 yrs. Mr. Obadiah d. Nov. 4, 1871, a. 74 yrs. 10 mos. and 9 ds. The writer, as executor, named in his will, set. his est., which was distributed according to special bequest, and partly among his heirs-at-law.

WARFIELD, EBENEZER[5] (Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. July 31, 1802; farmer, So. Mil.; m., 1st, *Aurilla Hill*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; cer. Oct. 15, 1828, by the writer. No chn. Mrs. Aurilla d. Dec. 22, 1831. The hus. m., 2d, *Lorana Freeman*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; cer. May, 1833; further particulars not given. No chn. Mrs. Lorana d. June 18, 1870. Mr. Ebenezer still survives at this writing, somewhat infirm in solitary old age, the last of Abijah's chn.

WARFIELD, ADDISON[6] (Elias,[5] Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Dec. 6, 1816; res. Holliston; m. *Harriet A. Rockwood*, Holl., ptge., date of cer., and correlative particulars not ascertained. Their chn.: —

HARRIET M., b. 1841.

ELIAS A., b. 1842.

ALMEDA W., b. May 20, 1845.

AARON R., b. 1846.

MARY J., b. March 25, 1858.

ELSIE L., b. Nov. 22, 1860.

I have put down the foregoing as rendered to me; it being too inconvenient for me to make the desirable corrective inquiries concerning births, marriages, and deaths.

WARFIELD, HOMER JOHNSON[6] (Samuel, jun.,[5] Capt. Samuel,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. Oct. 2, 1828; m. *Mary Isadore Newman*, ptge., birth-date, etc., not ascertained; cer. Woonsocket, R.I., May, 1861, by Rev. John Boyden. Issue: —

EMMA LOUISA, b. Jan. 4, 1862.

NELLIE MARION, b. Nov. 6, 1869.

HOMER SAMUEL, b. April 6, 1871, only a few days before the fr.'s death.

Homer J. Warfield d. in early middle age, on the old homestead where he was b., April 25, 1871, in his 43d yr. He was a worthy and promising head of

this young family. After his estate was settled, his wid. took her little brood to Conway, where she had a sister dwelling, purchased a small homestead, and has continued there to the present time.

WARFIELD, James Madison[6] (Elijah,[5] Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. May 17, 1823; boot-crimper, So. Mil.; m. *Ellen Matilda Newhall*, dr. of Morton and Matilda (Thayer) Newhall, birth-date not given; cer. in Bell., March 14, 1850, by Rev. Joseph T. Massey. Issue:—

Ida Matilda, b. Jan. 19, 1855; m. Osborn Frank Remick, Jan. 19, 1873.

Clara Estelle, b. Jan. 3, 1857.

Nellie Augusta, b. June 26, 1864.

Always res. in Mil. Dwell in a pleasant home, So. Main St., far down towards the ancient Penniman corner. Husband's occupation the boot business. Worthy people.

WARFIELD, Newell[6] (Elijah,[5] Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. in Mendon, Feb. 2, 1831; bootmaker; m. *Elvira Warfield*, dr. of John and Lavina (Henries) Warfield; cer. Jan. 1, 1867; other particulars not given. Always res. in So. Mil. He d. Dec. 26, 1873, leaving no chn. He received due funeral honors. His bereaved wf. thus far survives him.

WARFIELD, William Wheelock[6] (Elijah,[5] Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), b. in Mil., Nov. 17, 1834; bootmaker; m. *Mary Sophia (Nichols) Howard*, wid. of Sylvester B. Howard, and dr. of John and Maria (Chamberlain) Nichols, b. in Mil., 1844; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 30, 1870, by the writer. No chn. Always res. in Mil., and of good report. Their home is on So. Main St., near Howard.

WARFIELD, David Long, and his sister Arvilla[6] (Elijah,[5] Abijah,[4] Elihu,[3] Elihu,[2] Dea. John[1]), dwell together unm. on the parental homestead, Warfield St., near So. Main. Standing reputable.

The two married sisters, Mrs. Knights and Mrs. Thayer, appear under their respective husband's names.

WARREN, Capt. Samuel[5] (Samuel,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. Grafton, April 20, 1730; m. *Eunice Corbett*, dr. of Eld. Daniel and Sarah (Jones) Corbett, b. May 4, 1728; cer. May 29, 1754, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Issue:—

John, b. May 4, 1756.

Sarah, b. Oct. 8, 1759.

Esther, b. Oct. 16, 1761.

Jemima, b. Oct. 8, 1763.

Priscilla, b. Aug. 2, 1765.

Anna, b. Jan. 22, 1767.

Samuel, b. Oct. 1, 1769; presently d.

Samuel, b. Feb. 16, 1771; d. May 28, 1773.

I find myself somewhat mystified between Mendon records and Mr. Pierce's recently published "History of Grafton." Mendon records seem to confound Samuel[4] and Samuel,[5] as if they were one person. They say that Samuel Warren m. Hannah Beard, both of Mendon, Sept. 27, 1733; to whom were b. Jason, Feb. 10, 1734; and Hannah, Dec. 1, 1735. Then they say that Samuel Warren of Grafton m. Eunice Corbett of Mendon, May 29, 1754, to whom were b. John, April 4, 1750; Tabitha, March 21, 1755; then go on with the names above credited to Samuel.[5] Grafton history says that Samuel[4] m. Tabitha Stone at Weston, Aug. 26, 1728, and had Samuel,[5] April 20, 1730; Sarah, Dec. 24, 1731; Rebecca, April 16, 1733; Abigail, April 29, 1735; John, Aug. 8, 1736, d. Sept. 8, 1755; Tabitha, Aug. 6, 1738, d. Sept. 7, 1754; William, May 29, 1740;

David, March 24, 1742, etc. But it says nothing of the mge. to Hannah Beard and of her 2 chn., Jason and Hannah; yet says Samuel[5] m. Eunice Corbett, May 29, 1754. Mendon records say that Samuel Warren had certain tracts of land laid out to him near his premises (which were on our now Mil. territory), April 25, 1747. This laying-out is not likely to have been made to Samuel,[5] a lad of 17 yrs. Moreover, our Easterly Precinct ch. records say that the elder Samuel Warren was one of the original members of that ch., which was formed April 15, 1741, and that he and his wf. Hannah had 2 chn. bap. by Mr. Frost; viz., Isaac, April 15, 1744, and Lois, June 29, 1746. What does all this mean? Was that Samuel Warren altogether a different person from Samuel[4] of Grafton? I cannot reconcile these incongruities; so I leave them to more profound genealogists, and return to Samuel,[5] wf. Eunice (Corbett), and their chn., as first given. When married, the hus. purported to be of Grafton, but probably soon located in the No. Purchase, where he became a considerable landholder, and where I presume most, if not all, his chn. were b. If the other Samuel was his father, as seems probable, he may have taken possession of the paternal homestead, then several years relinquished, and besides must have inherited, in the right of his wf., a goodly portion of Eld. Daniel Corbett's very large real estate. However, he soon became a prominent citizen, commanded a company of minute-men at the outbreak of the American Revolution, and, after Mil.'s incorporation, held many of its responsible offices. I have been anxious to learn the history of his old age, but have not yet ascertained where he and his wf. ended their days. Their dr. Sarah m. Joseph Partridge, Nov. 15, 1778; their dr. Esther m. Abraham Stearns, May 31, 1780; their dr. Jemima m. Samuel Hart of Chesterfield, N.H., June 29, 1783; and their dr. Priscilla m. Baruch Penniman, Nov. 26, 1789, — cer. in each case by Rev. A. Frost. Their dr. Anna, by me unknown, m. Josiah Nelson, jun., 1786, and afterwards in widowhood, by Rev. Mr. Long, m. Abner Albee of Chesterfield, N.H., May 30, 1811. Samuel, jun., m. Mary Mellen, dr. of Col. James Mellen, Mil., April 19, 1797; cer. by Rev. Caleb Alexander of Mendon. I think I have been informed that Samuel, jun., d. suddenly in Providence, R.I., not long after mge., leaving no chn., but a broken-hearted wid., who soon followed him to an early grave. I am unable to trace Capt. Samuel Warren's family further.

WARREN, L. W., of the firm Lothrop & Co., appears in Directory for 1856.

WARREN, Hosea, bootmaker, in No. Purchase same yr.

WARREN, Charles, physician; and

WARREN, George C., bootmaker. 1869.

WARREN, John, tailor. 1872.

WARREN, Elijah, bootblocker. 1880. Also

WARREN, Fred E., at Johnson, Rust, & Co.'s. 1880.

Probably a few other transient Warrens have been in town at different periods, persons to me unknown.

WEBB. We have had but few of this name in town. First among these was, —

WEBB, Joseph, son of Daniel and Elizabeth; ancestry no further traced; b. May 4, 1794; place of nativity not given; m. *Ruby Parkhurst*, dr. of Amasa and Hopestill (Nelson) Parkhurst, b. Mil., Nov. 7, 1803; cer. April 2, 1822, by Rev. D. Long. I do not recollect seeing any record of chn. b. to this couple.

He was engaged in the boot business when I first came into town, and as late as 1832. He was deemed an intelligent citizen, and elected to town offices

while here. He was one of the assessors in 1825. I am indebted to his son, Mr. Charles B. Webb, for the little I can add to the foregoing. He sent me the following, under date of So. Hadley, Mass., Dec. 26, 1878:—

"They [his parents] moved to R. I. about 1833; then to Wilkinsonville, Mass., in 1846. In 1856 removed to Trempealeau, Wis. Joseph Webb d. in Wis., April, 1869; and Ruby Webb in Oct., 1869. They had 9 sons and 1 daughter. Six sons are now living; 3 in Wis., 1 in Mo., one in Mass., and one, when last heard from, in Ohio."

WEBB, Amos W., birth-date, place of nativity, etc., not traced; merchant tailor; m. *Hannah P. Thayer*, dr. of Rufus and Hannah (Parkhurst) Thayer, b. Mil., Feb. 18, 1823; cer. May 14, 1845, by whom not ascertained. Their chn.:—

Emma A., b. May 24, 1846; d. May 24, 1868, a. 22 yrs.

Ada M., b. Sept. 9, 1848; d. April 18, 1869, a. 20 yrs. 7 mos. 11 days.

The hus. and fr. d. suddenly, from a fatal injury received by the falling of a tree in his wood-lot, Nov. 27, 1857. Mrs. Hannah P. survived him long enough to educate, and be bereaved of, their two drs. She d. Oct. 12, 1870, a. 47 yrs. and 8 mos. A most worthy, but often afflicted and short-lived, family.

WEBBER, Edward, came into Mil., with Jacob Town and wf. Judith, from Providence, R.I., April 7, 1787. In what relationship he stood to the Towns is not indicated. The family was warned hence in 1791. How long any of them remained, I do not learn; but Webber staid long enough to be m. to *Ruth Wight*, Feb. 4, 1790; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. I think she must have been a dr. of Eleazer and Ruth (Legg) Wight, b. about 1770. Of chn., if any, I know nothing. I find only that wid. Ruth Webber d. Sept. 15, 1839, a. 69 yrs. 3 mos.

WEDGE, Daniel, Jun., pedigree untraced; m. *Hannah Wiswall*, dr. of Thomas and Sarah (Daniell) Wiswall, b. Nov. 3, 1734; cer. March 6, 1755, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

Sarah, b. in our Precinct, May 17, 1755; d. Sept. 13, 1757.

Abijah, b. in our Precinct, March 29, 1759; d. young.

Thomas, b. in our Precinct, July 29, 1761; untraced.

Sarah, b. in our Precinct, July 21, 1763; m. Ephraim Hayward, Dec. 3, 1787.

Abijah, b. in our Precinct, Nov. 21, 1767; m. Polly Brick, 1790; he d. Dec. 22, 1819.

Lydia, b. in our Precinct, Nov., 1769; m. John Chapin, jun., 1791 or 1792.

Rev. Mr. Frost, in his marriage record, calls the groom of Hannah Wiswall "Daniel Wedge, jun." So his fr.'s name was Daniel. I find that Daniel, sen., d. in Sept., 1761; but I get only the information concerning his wf. that her name was Experience. No chn. named but Daniel and Jepthah. Whence they came, I have not learned. I think they must have come to So. Mil. perhaps about 1750, as I read nothing concerning them in our records before that date. They made their homes on a considerable tract of land near the junction of our present Mellen St. with So. Main. From all I can learn, they were maltsters, and ran an establishment of that sort for several yrs. One of their mill-stones still remains on the premises, and tradition says this was their business at an early period of their inhabitancy. Daniel Wedge seems to have been a man of some influence, as appears from our precinct and town records. Whether he and his wf. spent all their days in So. Mil., or part of them elsewhere, I am not sufficiently informed to say. He d. Oct. 2, 1809. Mrs. Hannah, his wid., d. Jan. 8, 1816.

WEDGE, JEPTHAH, understood to be a bro. of the preceding; pedigree, birth-date, etc., untraced; m. *Esther Marshall*, dr. of Joseph and Mary (Leland) Marshall, b. Holl., Aug. 3, 1738; cer. in our Precinct, Nov. 17, 1757, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

ELI, b. Aug. 4, 1758; d. Sept. 14, 1761.

DINAH, b. July 10, 1760; d. Sept. 12, 1761.

ESTHER, b. June 1, 1761; m. John Bowker, Hop., March 7, 1782.

ELI, b. Oct. 4, 1763; m., 1st, Lois Bowker, Hop., Jan., 1784; 2d, Elizabeth Taft, 1843.

NAHUM, b. May 25, 1766; m. Cynthia Chapin, June 18, 1795.

POLLY, or MARY } (twins), b. Oct. 31, 1769; m. Luther Chapin, March 5, 1796.
MARTHA } b. Oct. 31, 1769; untraced.

LEMUEL, b. May 17, 1775; untraced.

LAVINA, bap. Sept. 13, 1778; an unm. mr.; d. Nov. 9, 1842.

Mrs. Esther d. July 17, 1808; Jepthah himself d. June 18, 1823. All their chn., save Eli, appear to have d., or emigrated to other localities. I knew Eli, but cannot recollect that he ever had any chn. Mrs. Lois, his 1st wf., d. Dec. 14, 1841, a. 73 yrs. He m., 2d, wid. Elizabeth Taft, formerly the wid. of John Perham, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Snell; cer. Oct. 8, 1843, by Isaac Davenport, Esq. He d. at So. Mil., Jan. 26, 1845. Mrs. Elizabeth d. in our town asylum, July 2, 1861, in her 84th yr.

WEDGE, ABIJAH[3] (Daniel,[2] Daniel[1]), b. Nov. 21, 1767; m. *Polly, alias Mary Brick* of Sherborn, about the yr. 1790; no particulars of cer. found. Issue:—

DANIEL, b. Mil., Aug. 6, 1791; untraced; prob. lived and d. elsewhere.

FISHER, b. Mil., May 9, 1793; d. here, March 12, 1818.

JOHN, b. Leverett, April 20, 1795; untraced; prob. lived and d. elsewhere.

LOTHROP, b. Lyme, N.H., Oct. 17, 1797; untraced; prob. lived and d. elsewhere.

MARY, b. Lyme, N.H., July 6, 1799; untraced; prob. lived and d. elsewhere.

What became of the wf. and mr., I have not learned. Abijah became a dependent on the town, and d. here, Dec. 22, 1819; also his son Fisher, and d. here, as above mentioned. Family traced no further, nor any of the Wedges who are understood to have emigrated.

WENTWORTH, NOYES S., and wf., *Sarah Howard Wentworth*, resided at Hopedale from Feb. 19, 1851, to May, 1855. They had the following-named chn.: LUCY ELIZABETH, ANNA ESTHER, and SARAH NOYES. The last was b. here in Jan., 1852. They were intelligent, worthy people. He was a printer. They have since res. in Norwich, Ct., where Mr. Wentworth has occupied a responsible position in the publication of one of the Norwich newspapers. I am not well enough informed to state further particulars of the family history.

WESTCOTT. Few of this name have ever dwelt on our territory. There was one whose name is written *Waistcoat*, possibly meant for Westcott, who is recorded by our early town-clerk as the fr. of a son by Priscilla Dolbear, named Ephraim, b. April 20, 1785. No further mention is recollected of the parents or child.

An excellent family, that of Dea. Asa A. Westcott, have recently set. among us. They came hither from Scituate, R.I., in the yr. 1873, and have won a valuable reputation for religious, moral, and business worth. The head of the family is successfully managing the spindle manufacture for George Draper & Sons, in a machine-shop at the water-privilege formerly known as "Gaskill's

Mills," etc., now called Spindleville. The parents are exemplary members of the Orthodox Cong. ch. in the Centre, and he was elected a deacon of the same a few mos. since. They res. in Hopedale, on the E. D. Draper place, of which they became purchasers in 1873. The deacon has favored me with his family record, from which it appears that his gd. fr., Caleb Westcott, was b. Scituate, R.I., 1753; m. Lydia Knowlton, b. in the same town, 1757, and had the following-named chn.: Oliver, b. 1782; Thomas K., 1787; Lydia, 1793; Mary, 1795; Nathan, 1797; and Caleb, 1800. His fr., —

WESTCOTT, Thomas K., farmer, b. in Scituate, R.I., as above, m. *Lydia Steere*, dr. of Asa and Mary (Irons) Steere, b. Gloucester, R.I., March 25, 1790; cer. in said Gloucester, Sept. 17, 1817, by Elder John Westcott. Their chn.: —

Abbey S., b. Aug. 24, 1818; d. unm., Oct. 10, 1870.

Eliza, b. July 5, 1820; m. John Wilder, Jan. 5, 1843; she d. Oct. 4, 1846.

Charles M., Aug. 7, 1822; m. Betsey Ware, Butler, Ill., Dec. 12, 1861.

Mary A., b. June 22, 1824; m. Dr. Jacob B. White, Nov. 27, 1851.

Asa A., b. Aug. 17, 1826; m. Elizabeth Aldrich, Nov. 5, 1850.

The fr. d. in Scituate, R.I., July 5, 1853. His wid. still survives there.

WESTCOTT, Dea. Asa A.[3] (Thomas K.,[2] Caleb [1]), b. as aforesaid, Aug. 17, 1826; m. *Elizabeth Aldrich*, dr. of Wilmarth N. and Maria Aldrich, b. in Scituate, R.I., May 25, 1828; cer. in said Scituate, Nov. 5, 1850, by Rev. Hosea Quimby. Their chn.: —

Augustus W., b. Scituate, R.I., Aug. 29, 1851; m. Harriet A. Steere, June 15, 1873.

Wilmarth A., b. Scituate, R.I., Dec. 18, 1852; m. Nancy A. Hopkins, March 9, 1879.

Mary A., b. Scituate, R.I., Dec. 19, 1856; m. George N. Hopkins, May 18, 1881.

David A., b. Scituate, R.I., Oct. 6, 1862.

Maria Phillips, b. Burrillville, R.I., April 7, 1866.

Frank Thomas, b. Burrillville, R.I., Aug. 6, 1868.

Grandchn.: — Augustus Wilmarth and Harriet A. (Steere) Westcott have 1 son, —

Asa A., b. Milford, Aug. 9, 1877.

Wilmarth Aldrich and Nancy A. (Hopkins) Westcott have 1 son, —

Henry Wilmarth, b. Mil., April 22, 1880.

WESTCOTT, George Frank, son of William and Hannah (Pullen) Westcott, b. in Providence, R.I., 1849; brakeman on the P. & W. R.Rd.; m. *May Austin*, dr. of Horace and Betsey (Rand) Austin, b. in Bellingham, 1856; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 23, 1876, by the writer. Having obtained no family record from this connubial pair, I am unable to report them further.

WHEATON, Benjamin, was one of our ancients, contemporary with Elder John Jones, and his near neighbor on the east. I have not been able to ascertain his pedigree, nor his wf.'s, nor her name, nor much concerning their chn. It seems that he owned, besides smaller parcels, a considerable tract of land on Magomiscock Hill, comprising what became the Dr. Scammell farm, and perhaps more. His domicile was up the hill eastward from Felix Kearney's, on the same side of Freedom St. See my description of Abandoned Home-sites, Chap. XV. He d., if I mistake not, Aug. 12, 1726; and his est. was set. by his son Benjamin. I think this Benj., jun., had a bro. David; but I have not found any thing more than a single reference to him, as prob. inheritor of part of Benj., senior's, homestead.

WHEATON, BENJAMIN, Jun.; birth-date not ascertained; m. *Abigail Green*, April 14, 1719. No chn. credited to them on Mendon records. He sold 80 acres of the paternal homestead, inherited by him, to Dr. John Corbett of Bell, in 1729; bought the same back, 1732, and sold it soon after to one Thomas Sleman, who, in 1737, sold the whole to Dr. Samuel Leslie Scammell. I get intimations that Wheaton set. in the north-east corner of the town, or in edge of Hop. No further traced.

WHEATON, SAMUEL; pedigree untraced; perhaps son of Benjamin, sen.; m. *Mary Rockwood*, Feb. 24, 1718. Issue:—

MARY, b. Oct. 23, 1718.

Family no further traced.

WHEELOCK. The Wheelocks were once numerous on our territory, but are now few. They are all descendants of Rev. Ralph Wheelock, who was a man of much distinction in his day, first as a Puritan clergyman, and afterwards as civil magistrate. He was b. in Eng., liberally educated at the University of Cambridge, took his degree there between 1626 and 1631, came to Watertown with his wf. Rebecca and a daughter of the same name, removed to that part of Dedham which became Medfield in 1638, made freem. the next yr., and there dwelt till his death in 1684. Two of his sons set. in Mendon, perhaps before their father's death; for they pd. parochial taxes there in 1685 or 1686. Their names were Benjamin and Eliazer, or Eleazer. Eliazer set. in the vicinity of "Goat Hill" and "Wolf Hill," in the now northerly part of Uxbridge, on the "Great River." He was a very daring man, and became famous as a hunter and exterminator of ferocious wild beasts, then fearfully abundant He had sons and drs., of whom I need not treat. Benjamin set. on the old Rehoboth road, near where, in our time, Andrus Wheelock lived and d. He became a large landholder in that general neighborhood. He had two sons, Benjamin and Obadiah, and, as early as perhaps 1706, acquired possession of the ancient Benjamin Alby "corn-mill," on our south-western frontier, now the Lewis B. Gaskill place. He is understood to have bought it of Matthias Puffer or his heirs, who had it of Alby or his heirs. So he was the third owner of that famous estate. It seems that he made it over, with some reservation of the mill-privilege, to his sons Benjamin and Obadiah in 1713; and in 1719 all three of them joined in deeding it to Josiah Wood, —the mill being then said to have been burnt down. Thus Wood became the fourth owner. Obadiah Wheelock res. upon or near that mill-seat several yrs., and then moved farther north-eastwardly into our territory, locating on his lands, through which what we now call Plain St. was originally laid out. These lands lay east of Mill River, and extended, I think, from somewhere below the Stoddard cellar-holes, notable for their lilac-bushes, northward on the west side of the road, so as to include all, or nearly all, of the Lowell Fales place. He probably owned large tracts farther eastward towards Charles River. I suspect he acquired these lands in the right of his father to common, by inheritance. But, be this as it may, he became an extensive landholder within our limits, and transmitted much real estate to his posterity. I will commence with his family record:—

WHEELOCK, OBADIAH[3] (Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), birth-date not ascertained; m. *Elizabeth Darling*, Jan. 8, 1708; particulars of cer. not traced. Their chn.:—

ELIZABETH, b. July 11, 1709; m. Ephraim Daniels, July 3, 1733.

OBADIAH, Jun., b. Sept. 21, 1712; m. Martha Sumner, Oct. 26, 1733.

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 6, 1714; m. Hannah Ammidown, Feb. 16, 1738.

Hannah, b. Aug. 18, 1716; m. Joshua Underwood of Holl., Feb. 16, 1737.
Ebenezer, b. Aug. 13, 1718; m. Mary Sloeman, Feb. 16, 1738.
Rebecca, b. Aug. 30, 1720; m. Benjamin Fisk of Upton, Nov. 26, 1747.
Margaret, b. Feb. 18, 1723; m. James Albee, July 16, 1739.
Josiah, b. March 30, 1725; m. Experience Clark, Jan. 6, 1748.

Obadiah Wheelock must have been a man of very considerable importance in his day. I have not found the death-dates of the parents.

WHEELOCK, Obadiah, Jun.[4] (Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Sept. 21, 1712; m. *Martha Sumner*, dr. of Joseph and Sarah (Lovett) Sumner, b. Aug. 27, 1709; cer. Oct. 26, 1733, prob. by Rev. Joseph Dorr. Their chn.: —

Zipporah, b. May 12, 1734.
Martha, b. March 17, 1736.
Obadiah, b. July 7, 1738.
Joseph, b. July 17, 1740.
Elias, b. April 17, 1743.
Abigail, b. April 24, 1746.
Jesse, b. Oct. 2, 1748.
Amariah, b. Sept. 18, 1752.

None of their death-dates found.

WHEELOCK, Samuel[4] (Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Sept. 6, 1714; m. *Hannah Ammidown* of Mendon, Feb. 16, 1738; cer. prob. by Rev. Joseph Dorr. They dwelt in the vicinity of Bear Hill, perhaps a little north-east of it. Their chn.: —

Mary, b. Dec. 31, 1738; m. Caleb Cheney, our 1st town clerk, May 9, 1758.
Hannah } (twins), b. Aug. 31, 1748.
Elizabeth } b. Aug. 31, 1748.
Rachel, b. Feb. 11, 1751.
Isabel, b. May 9, 1757.
Amariah, b. May 15, 1759.
Obadiah, b. April 20, 1762. No further traced.

WHEELOCK, Ebenezer[4] (Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Aug. 13, 1718; m. *Mary Sloeman* of Mendon; cer. Feb. 16, 1738. Their chn.: —

Mary, b. July 19, 1738; d. young.
Eunice, b. Aug. 31, 1739; d. of consumption, Nov., 1818.
John, b. July 30, 1742; untraced.
Timothy, b. Nov. 8, 1744; m. Joanna Holbrook, Bell., Jan. 22, 1765.
Lois, b. Nov. 25, 1746; untraced.
Thomas, b. April 7, 1749; d. of cancer, Aug. 16, 1804.
Mary (again), b. May 24, 1751; untraced.
Elizabeth, b. May 2, 1754; m. Nathan Albee, March 20, 1776.
Abigail, b. July 31, 1756; untraced.
Lydia, b. 1759; m. Abijah Warfield, Dec. 11, 1783.
Cyrus, b. Dec. 28, 1763; m. Phebe Albee, Jan. 19, 1786.

This family dwelt in So. Milford, and at one time on what is now Warfield St. The hus. and fr. d. May 6, 1801. His wid. d. Jan. 30, 1807.

WHEELOCK, Josiah[4] (Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. March 30, 1725; m. *Experience Clark*, presumed to have been a dr. of Theophilus Clark of Holl.; cer. Jan. 6, 1747–48, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

Experience, b. May 15, 1748–49; m. Henry Penniman, April 13, 1769.
Eliazer, b. Feb. 2, 1750; untraced.

THANKFUL, b. May 7, 1752; untraced.

ALEXANDER, b. Sept. 2, 1754; untraced.

BATHSHEBA, b. Dec. 14, 1760; m. Jotham Thayer, Aug. 29, 1784.

JOSIAH, b. Aug. 12, 1763; untraced.

OLIVE, b. April 3, 1769; m. Abner Allen, Aug. 8, 1790.

OBADIAH, b. April 6, 1771; m. Lydia Thurber of Rehoboth, 1797 or 1798.

This family dwelt on what we now call Howard St., towards So. Milford. They had a large landed estate, much of which descended to the youngest son, Obadiah, and his heirs. Josiah Wheelock d. Dec. 28, 1794. I do not seem to find the death-date of his wife.

WHEELOCK, OBADIAH[5] (Josiah,[4] Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. April 6, 1771; m. *Lydia Thurber* of Rehoboth, dr. of Daniel and Lois Thurber, and a sister of the eminent Dr. Daniel Thurber, b. Jan. 5, 1775; cer. prob. in Rehoboth, near the close of 1797, or early in 1798, particulars not ascertained. Their chn.:—

ALPHA, b. Nov. 28, 1798; m., 1st, Ethan Bowker, Nov. 8, 1814; 2d, Lowell Fales, Feb. 9, 1824.

JOSIAH, b. June 30, 1800; untraced.

THANKFUL, b. ——; d. in infancy, Jan. 30, 1804.

The hus. and fr. d. May 25, 1805. Mrs. Lydia, his wid., became the wf. of Barzillai Pond; cer. Feb. 26, 1809, by Rev. D. Long. She d. June, 1858.

WHEELOCK, CYRUS[5] (Ebenezer,[4] Obadiah, sen.,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Dec. 28, 1763; m. *Phebe Albee*, dr. of Dea. Gideon and Hephzibah (Clark) Albee, b. Oct. 30, 1766; cer. Jan. 19, 1786, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.:—

WILLIS } (twins), b. Oct. 21, 1798.
WAITEE }

I think this family must have emigrated to some other locality.

WHEELOCK, LUTHER[4] (son prob. of Silas,[3] son of Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. in Mendon, March 9, 1756; m. *Mary Sumner*, dr. of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Ellis) Sumner, b. in our Precinct, May 12, 1761; cer. Nov. 8, 1780, by Rev. A. Frost. They dwelt on now Mill St., just east of the Mill-pond. One son, —

HENRY ELLIS, b. Nov. 20, 1782; m. Amelia Nelson, Feb. 23, 1806.

The hus. and fr. d., date not found. Mrs. Mary m., 2d, David Madden in 1818, particulars of cer. not found. She d. Aug. 14, 1842.

WHEELOCK, HENRY ELLIS[5] (Luther,[4] Silas,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Nov. 20, 1782; m. *Amelia Nelson*, dr. of Col. Samuel and Sally (Torrey) Nelson, b. Mil., July 18, 1786; cer. Feb. 23, 1806, by Rev. D. Long. Issue:—

Lost an inft. son in 1810, named Lovett Sumner.

MARY SUMNER, birth-date not found; m. Samuel Haynes, July 8, 1841.

Many of the Wheelocks, before named, must, I judge, have emigrated to more or less distant localities, and perhaps some of them died without proper record. I have therefore found it difficult to trace them. Nor have I met with sufficient indications of their career and character which warranted me in attempting to speak of their personal worth with any definite justice. I come now to the few families of this name among our present inhabitants. These have come in from Mendon, and are the descendants of Rev. Ralph Wheelock through his son Benjamin, the bro. of our first Obadiah.

WHEELOCK, CALVIN WHITE[6] (Dea. Adam,[5] Calvin,[4] Silas,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. in Mendon, Dec. 1, 1812; mr.'s maiden name Eliza Robbins;

merchant; m. *Mary A. Leland*, dr. of Lemuel and Clarissa (Perry) Leland, b. in Holl., Oct. 29, 1813; cer. in Holl., July 4, 1833, by Rev. Mr. Damon. Their chn.:—

THEODORE BAINBRIDGE, b. Feb. 11, 1835; m. Eva T. Jennings, Fredonia, N.Y., Oct. 7, 1857.

CLARISSA JANE, b. March 14, 1838; m. Charles C. P. Hastings, Nov. 23, 1863.

CHARLES HENRY, b. July 14, 1840; killed, battle Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862.

MARY LOUISA, b. May 29, 1843; m. George Marsh of Mendon, June 23, 1862.

EMMA JOSEPHINE, b. April 26, 1851; d. April 26, 1870.

LEMUEL LELAND, b. Dec. 19, 1853.

The hus. and fr. d. in Mendon, Aug. 14, 1856. Mrs. Mary, his wid., has res. several yrs. in Mil. Centre, making a pleasant home for her unm. son Lemuel L., who is a very skilful, executive, reliable, and successful mason. I have heard only good of this family from first to last.

WHEELOCK, EDWIN MORTON[7] (Francis E.,[6] Nathan,[5] Calvin,[4] Silas,[3] Benjamin,[2] Rev. Ralph[1]), b. Mendon, Dec. 2, 1839; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Howe; m. *Madora A. Wales*, dr. of Thomas J. and Lucy M. (Fairbanks) Wales, b. Mil., June 5, 1844; cer. June 24, 1868, by Rev. George S. Ball. No chn. An intelligent, worthy, and reputable pair. They have res. mostly, if not wholly, in Mil. since mge.; as Mrs. Madora always has. Mr. Wheelock is an executive and trustworthy clerk and salesman. He has been in the employ, as such, of H. L. Patrick at Hopedale for several recent yrs., and the family res. is now here.

I omit further research in gathering the data which relate to the Wheelocks who have transiently dwelt among us, deeming it excusable to leave some interesting facts concerning them untold.

WHIPPLE. A few transient sojourners of this name have dwelt among us at different periods, mostly in the remote past. These I will not attempt to call up for notice. But in recent times several families have had their homes in and near Hopedale. These are all descendants of Samuel Whipple and wf. Mary, whose home was Providence, R.I., in the days of Roger Williams. Samuel Whipple, jun., emigrated, about the yr. 1705, to Poquetannock, Ct., afterwards Groton, where he purchased 1,000 acs. of land, and set. his family. He then had a wf. Elizabeth, and chn., Daniel, Samuel, Zechariah, Zephaniah, Nathan, and Hope Alice. That Samuel is said to have been a very enterprising man, establishing iron-works and other mills on Poquetannock River, clearing up farms, and making homes for his posterity. The numerous Whipples in Groton, Ledyard, and the general vicinity of New London, descended from his loins. Our Hopedale Whipples all came from Groton and Ledyard, Ct., and sprang from this stock.

WHIPPLE, JONATHAN, Jun.[7] (Jonathan,[6] Noah,[5] Samuel,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Ledyard, Ct., April 3, 1821, and wf. *Lucy*, b. Ledyard, Ct., Nov. 24, 1820, a twin child of Noah and Content Whipple, came to Hopedale Jan. 23, 1854, and were admitted members of our Community in 1855. They had with them here 3 chn., all b. in Ledyard; viz., Content, b. June 27, 1844; Zerah Colburn, Sept. 1, 1849; Laura Bridgman, April 9, 1852. The fr. was a machinist, the mr. a worthy woman, and the chn. all intelligently good. They left Hopedale Nov. 10, 1856. Content and Zerah lived to marry, but have since died. The parents now res. in Mystic, Ct.

WHIPPLE, JOHN, and

WHIPPLE, JEDUTHAN, bros., machinists, formerly res. a few yrs. at Hopedale.

Their pedigree runs thus, they being of gen. 6: Samuel,[5] Noah,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel.[1] John was twice m., after he left Hopedale, without issue. He d. in Providence, R.I., 2 or 3 yrs. since. Of Jeduthan I have no present knowledge.

WHIPPLE, HEPSIE[7] (Noah,[6] Samuel,[5] Noah,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel[1]), m. *Nathan Chapman*. They res. several yrs. at Hopedale, but now res. in Nantucket. See Chapman.

WHIPPLE, HANNAH[7] (Jabez,[6] Samuel,[5] Noah,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel[1]), m. *Dudley B. Chapman*. They res. in Hopedale, and she d. here. See Chapman.

WHIPPLE, MARY, sister of Hannah, same lineage, m. *Ichabod Davis*, dwelt many yrs. in Hopedale, and d. here. See Davis.

WHIPPLE, NANCY, sister of Hannah and Mary, m. *William R. Lewers*, lived in Hopedale several yrs., and now res. here in invalid widowhood. See Lewers.

WHIPPLE, AMOS[7] (Noah,[6] Samuel,[5] Noah,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel[1]), b. Aug. 12, 1819; m. *Sally Whipple*, dr. of his uncle Jabez and wf. Sarah, birth-date and that of mge. not given. Their chn.:—

SARAH JANE, b. Ledyard, Ct., May 30, 1842; m. A. J. Spofford. See Spofford.

PAMELIA MARIA, b. Mystic, Ct., 1846; m. Eben Norton Moody, March 19, 1870; res. Dedham.

The parents have res. in Hopedale many yrs. The hus.'s infirmities have devolved family cares and responsibilities largely on Mrs. Sally. She is a woman of remarkable moral excellence, economical judgment, and executive ability. She managed the Hopedale boarding-house for quite a long period with good success, and only retired from her arduous duties when at length compelled by broken-down health. She has been a head-centre of dependence and beneficent usefulness to her immediate family, to numerous relatives, and to many needy strangers.

WHIPPLE, CYRUS FIELD[7] (Noah,[6] Samuel,[5] Noah,[4] Zechariah,[3] Samuel,[2] Samuel[1]), b. March 5, 1825; m., 1st, *Delight Whipple*, his cousin, a dr. of Samuel and Harriet (Cushman) Whipple, b. Ledyard, Ct., April 29, 1824; cer. Ledyard, Ct., April 5, 1846, by Rev. Zephaniah Watrous. Issue:—

CYRUS EVIN, b. Oct. 14, 1847; m. Susan Sheldon, June 17, 1870.

DELIGHT MALVINA, b. Sept. 21, 1850; name changed to Estelle Heywood; d. Oct. 15, 1871.

HEPSIE, b. Oct. 14, 1852; name changed to ADA CHAPMAN; m. Augustus S. Trowbridge, Sept. 11, 1873.

WYLIE ALLISON, b. Feb. 18, 1855.

NETTIE, b. Feb. 3, 1859.

Mrs. Delight having d., the hus., after some yrs., m., 2d, *Louisa Harriet Rich*, dr. of Joseph O. and Harriet (Clark) Rich of Haddam, Ct.; cer. in Ledyard, Ct., Feb. 23, 1871, by Rev. Charles Cutting. Issue:—

STELLA LOUISE, b. Feb. 20, 1874.

JENNIE MAY, b. Aug., 1875.

Mr. Whipple is an ingenious stone-cutter, and an executive jobber in various kinds of labor. He has res. much in Hopedale and vicinity, but has recently removed, I think, to some part of Ct., where more promising opportunities for business have attracted him.

All these Whipples belong to a branch of the general family, long associated with a peculiar religious people called "Rogerene Quakers." This people

inhabited a neighborhood mostly included in Groton and Ledyard, Ct. They maintained a strong protest against many popular customs in ch. and state, and, for a considerable period in their early history, were subjected to bitter persecution. They were especially scrupulous against chattel slavery, war, the use of intoxicating beverages, etc. They strictly educated their children accordingly; and, though now their descendants are scattered abroad, most of them adhere devotedly to the principles of their ancestors on these points.

WHITE, THOMAS,[1] was a distinguished citizen of Weymouth, as long ago as 1637. He was an original immigrant from Eng.

WHITE, Capt. JOSEPH,[2] son of the preceding, was among the colonists that set. Quinshipaug Plantation, Mendon.

WHITE, THOMAS,[3] son of Capt. Joseph, was a man of official distinction, and a large landholder in Mendon. His lands extended over Neck Hill to Mill River, and still farther into our territory. He built a corn-mill, at an early period (1718), a short distance above now Spindleville. He m., 1st, *Mehetabel* ——; and their chn., as recorded in Mendon, were, —

MEHETABEL, b. Jan. 22, 1689; m. Benjamin Darling, June 11, 1708.

THOMAS, b. April 15, 1691; m. Margaret ——.

THANKFUL, b. Aug. 3, 1693; untraced.

JOSEPH, b. Aug. 28, 1695; m. Abigail Skinner, Oxford, April 15, 1718.

JOHN, b. March 12, 1698; m. Sarah Cheney, April 28, 1720.

SAMUEL, b. Sept. 21, 1700; untraced.

EBENEZER, b. Feb. 4, 1704; owned land on our territory, but sold it.

Mrs. Mehetabel d. Dec. 24, 1704; and the hus. m., 2d, *Mary* ——, whose chn. were, —

DANIEL, b. June 18, 1708; untraced, but prob. lived here once.

MARY, b. Nov. 29, 1711; untraced.

The death-date of Thomas[3] would seem to be indicated by the probate of his will, which took place in 1744.

WHITE, THOMAS[4] (Thomas,[3] Joseph,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 15, 1691; m. *Margaret* ——; nothing more ascertained as to her pedigree, birth-date, or the mge. cer. Issue: —

DINAH, b. Dec. 19, 1713; m. Samuel Leland, Holl., Dec. 30, 1736.

MEHETABEL, b. Dec. 16, 1716; d. young.

MEHETABEL, b. Nov. 20, 1718; untraced.

THOMAS, b. April 6, 1721; m. Priscilla Bishop, July 27, 1748.

ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 14, 1723; m. Salmon Wheat, N. Y. State, Jan. 13, 1757.

MARGARET, b. April 18, 1726; untraced.

JOSEPH, b. June 2, 1729; m. Anna Coleson, Medway, Sept. 26, 1751.

SUSANNA, b. Sept. 19, 1732; untraced.

The death-date of these parents not ascertained. If I correctly understand recorded data, Thomas[4] inherited his fr.'s corn-mill on Mill River, and considerable land adjacent thereto; and I think he must have dwelt on the abandoned home-site called the "White place," and perhaps his son Thomas[6] after him.

WHITE, EBENEZER,[4] son of Thomas,[3] was endowed by his fr. with a handsome farm on both sides of Mill River, but mostly east of it. This farm he sold to the first John Chapin, in 1736, — known afterwards as Dea. John. I suppose this Ebenezer to have then just commenced married life; but who his wf. was, or whether they had any chn., I have not ascertained. I think, after selling out to Chapin, he must have emigrated to some other locality.

WHITE, JOHN,[4] son of Thomas,[3] inherited land in our Centre, which he sold to John Binney, in 1730. It was estimated at 52 acres. He m. *Sarah Cheney*, and dwelt for some time within our limits. Who this Sarah Cheney was, or whether they had any chn., or what became of the family, I have not learned.

WHITE, THOMAS[5] (Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Joseph,[2] Thomas[1]), b. April 6, 1721; m. *Priscilla Bishop;* cer. July 27, 1748, by Rev. A. Frost. They had 4 chn. bap. in our Precinct by Rev. Mr. Frost; viz., —

JONATHAN, June 4, 1749.
TIMOTHY, April 21, 1751.
MEHETABEL, April 8, 1753.
MARY, April 20, 1755.

The family no further traced. They prob. emigrated.

WHITE, PHILIP, and wf. *Rachel,* pedigrees untraced, had 2 chn. bap. here by Mr. Frost; viz., —

JOHN GREEN, April 22, 1753.
ANNA, April 20, 1755.

WHITE, DANIEL, was a citizen here down to 1795; but I cannot give his pedigree or family record.

WHITE, JOHN GREEN, above mentioned, son of Philip and Rachel, wf. *Jerusha,* with 6 chn., came from Mendon, and took up their residence, as tenants of Adams Chapin, April 15, 1792. The names of their chn., without birthdates, were, GARDNER, ARTEMAS, SALLY, THAYER, WAITEE, and JOHN. They were warned out of town, but remained long enough to have 3 more chn. b.; viz., PHILIP, March 9, 1793; HENRY, Jan. 18, 1795; d. July 16, 1819; and LYDIA, April 2, 1798. Family no further traced.

WHITE, SMITH, and wf. *Prudence* (*Taft*), pedigrees untraced, were m. Jan. 17, 1778, and set. in town, on the Eld. John Chapin place, later known as the Ezekiel White place, on now Greene St., in 1804. They are said to have come from Mendon. The deed from Eld. Chapin to White is dated Feb. 6, 1804. It conveyed to White the homestead, 128 acres, 7 acres woodland on North Hill, and half a meeting-house pew, all for $2,800. This is the same estate, with some enlargements, that was conveyed by Ebenezer White to Dea. John Chapin, Eld. John's fr., Jan. 24, 1736. Mendon records credit Smith and Prudence (Taft) White with the following-named chn.: —

PETER, b. March 26, 1782; m. Sally Stoddard, Jan., 1806.
CHLOE, b. Oct. 4, 1784; untraced.
HOPEY, b. April 9, 1787; untraced.
SYLVIA, b. Nov. 24, 1789; m. Ariel Thayer, Mendon, 1808.
PRUDENCE, b. April 30, 1792; m. Nathaniel Bennett, Aug. 6, 1820.
LEONARD, b. March 1, 1794; m., 1st, Diana ——; 2d, Maria Darling.
EZEKIEL, b. Dec. 1, 1796; m. Sarah Johnson, Feb. 9, 1831; no. chn.; he d. Sept. 6, 1836.

I am somewhat mystified about the marriages of Smith White; as I find that he had two, if not three, wives in succession. I took for granted, from Mendon records, that his 1st wf., Prudence (Taft), was the mother of all his chn. But it is possible that *Eunice* (*Albee*), his 2d wf., may have been the mother of one or more of them. I have not found the death-date of Mrs. Prudence (Taft) White and so cannot determine this matter of motherhood. Mrs. Eunice d. July 10, 1813. I see that the hus. was published Nov. 1, 1813, to a Mrs. Mary Cleaveland of Mendon; but have not ascertained whether or not the

intended mge. was consummated. Mr. W. deeded his homestead to his youngest son, Ezekiel, March 16, 1821; and he d. April 18, 1823.

I knew Peter White, the eldest son, and some of his family. His son in Upton encouraged me to hope that he would call, and post me up on his father's family record, but, for some reason, did not. His father lived more or less of his days in Mil., and perhaps d. here. Leonard White, another son, lived and d. either within or near our borders in Bell. I knew him, but not enough of his family to make definite statements. His 2 wives, several chn., and himself, have passed away. I think he left one or two sons who still survive. Ezekiel left no chn. Having had neither the requisite assistance from family relatives, nor convenient opportunity for research, I cannot be more minute.

The Whites are quite ubiquitous ; and many have dwelt and are dwelling in town, who, if they had sent me in their family records, would have received respectful notice on these pages. One only has done so, and with him I close: —

WHITE, WILLIAM AUGUSTUS, son of William Augustus and Emeline F. (Field) White, b. Foxboro', Oct. 2, 1844; expressman; m. *Elizabeth Nelson*, dr. of Otis T. and Hannah H. (Taft) Nelson, b. Mil., Feb. 11, 1849; cer. Hopedale, Oct. 2, 1871, by the writer. Issue: —

LILLIAN NELSON, b. Mil., July 21, 1872.

HENRY OTIS, b. Aug. 11, 1875.

A worthy and promising young family.

Whites in directories omitted for want of time and space.

WHITNEY. The Whitneys, though not among our very oldest inhabitants, came in early from Holl., and set. on our eastern, or rather north-eastern, border. With the aid of Savage, Bond, Barry, and Morse, in addition to original documents and records, I have traced the lineage of our Whitneys to the original immigrants, and can give a tolerably accurate statement of their descent. In doing so I have been obliged to clear up some obscurities, and correct certain errors which had got into print. The original immigrants were English, and comprised a family of seven. These were John Whitney, his wife Elinor, and their sons John, Richard, Nathaniel, Thomas, and Jonathan. The fr. was 35 yrs. of age, the mr. 30, John 11, Richard 9, Nathaniel 8, Thomas 6, and Jona. 1. They sailed from London in April, 1635, landed in Boston, and set. at Watertown. There another son, Benjamin, was born. The fr. was made a freeman, and soon became a prominent citizen, honored with various official trusts. From this family all, or nearly all, the Whitneys of this country have descended. They are very numerous and wide-spread.

Jonathan, the fifth son of John and Elinor, m. at Wat., Oct. 30, 1656, Lydia, only dr. of Lewis Jones. Their chn. were Lydia, Jonathan, Anna, John, Josiah, Elinor, James, Isaac, Joseph, Abigail, and Benjamin. Jonathan, jun., b. Oct. 20, 1659, is said to have m. Sarah, dr. of Shadrach Hapgood. But none of the genealogists give the date of this marriage, and there is some confusion in respect to the names and births of his chn. He is said to have had seven in Wat., and one in Sherborn, near Chestnut Brook, now Holl., but to have d. in Concord, — his will being proved in 1735. I at first took for granted that this Jonathan, who was of Sherborn but d. in Concord, must be in the direct line of our Mil. Whitneys. But I at length became convinced that this could not be, for the conclusive reason, that his son Jonathan was not old enough by some 20 yrs. to be the father of the chn. known to be those of Jonathan and Susanna Whitney. All the probabilities are, that the Jonathan of Holliston, hus-

band of Susanna, father of our Jonathan, Elias, etc., was the son of Benjamin, an early settler in Sherborn. No explicit records exist to prove this, but many concurrent circumstances. This Benjamin was the youngest son of Jonathan, the 5th son of John and Elinor, the original immigrants. This makes the best linked lineage of our first Whitneys that the case admits of, and I shall assume it to be correct. I commence my tabulations with that Jonathan and Susanna Whitney whose homestead was on Chestnut Brook in the edge of Medway now, formerly Holliston, originally Sherborn, about a mile and a half eastward from Bear Hill; being the same farm some years ago owned and occupied by Jonathan Pond.

WHITNEY, JONATHAN[4] (Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. prob. about 1680; m. *Susanna* (maiden name and parentage not found), b. prob. about 1681 or 1682. Their marriage prob. took place about 1700 or 1701 (no particulars found). I see that Barry and Morse include among their chn. two not mentioned in the father's will of 1753; viz., Jesse and Hannah. There must be some mistake about this, as no records appear to warrant their assumption that there were such chn in the family. I suspect these genealogists to have taken the said Jesse and Hannah for chn. when only gd.-chn. Though not certain of this, I have concluded to omit their names from the list of chn., who were, —

SUSANNA, b. Jan. 20, 1702–3; m. Gershom Eames, Holl.

JONATHAN, b. Oct. 17, 1704; set. in now Mil., and m. Lydia Jones, dr. of Eld. John.

KEZIAH, b. July 31, 1706; m. Abraham Jones, son of Eld. John.

DOROTHY, b. Aug. 28, 1708; m. Ebenezer Hunt of Holl., next. Mil., and finally Paxton.

MARY, b. May 28, 1710; m. Joseph Jones, another son of Eld. John.

LYDIA, b. March 3, 1712; m. Isaac Hill of Holl.

ELIAS, b. Nov. 14, 1716; set. ultimately in Bear-hill district.

MEHETABEL, b. Dec. 27, 1719; m. David Cutler, who set. in now Mil.

GEORGE, b. Aug. 12, 1721; m. Sarah Cozzens, Holl.; had 4 chn., and d. before his fr.

I get no report of any other chn. The fr. d. prob. toward the close of 1753. He made his will Feb 2 of that yr., provided judiciously for his family, and appointed his wf. Susanna, with his eldest son Jonathan, co-executors. It was proved in Middlesex Co., Feb. 11, 1754. He owned some meadow-lands, etc., in now Milford.

WHITNEY, JONATHAN[5] (Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. in now Med., as above, Oct. 17, 1704; located in the north-easterly part of now Mil., near Deer Brook, on what was long known as the Whitney place; and m. *Lydia*, dr. of John and Sarah Jones, Jan. 26, 1727. Their chn. were, —

SUSANNA, b. Feb. 12, 1728; m., 1st, Isaac Tenney; and, 2d, Noah Wiswall.

JONATHAN, b. Oct. 18, 1729; d. young, only 1 day old.

JESSE, b. Nov. 24, 1730; set., lived, and d. on the homestead.

LYDIA, b. Nov. 18, 1732; m. Samuel Bowker of Hop.

JONATHAN, b. July 26, 1734; m. Esther Parkhurst.

SARAH, b. not found; m. Wales Cheney, son of William, jun., Mil.

RUTH, bap. April 11, 1742. Found on the baptismal record; prob. d. young.

DAVID, bap. Sept. 21, 1746.

The fr. came into possession of his first landed est. by purchase from an

earlier owner, whose name I have not ascertained. To this he subsequently added, at different times, parcels of common laid out to him by Mendon proprietors adjacent to him, amounting in all to over 60 acres. Being located close to Holl. and Hop., he had land in three towns. He seems to have become quite a prominent and trusted citizen, an influential member of the church, and a stanch coadjutor of his father-in-law, Eld. John Jones, in establishing the new Precinct. He was nominated in the wills of his father and father-in-law as co-executor, and, as things turned, had almost the entire responsibility of settling their estates. But he soon followed them through the gate of death; for they both d. in 1753, and he in 1755 or 1756. He left no will, and his est. was set. according to law.

I noticed in the Probate Registry that his real est. was divided by five commissioners appointed by the court, whose report bore date April 6, 1756. They were William Torrey, Habijah French, Jasper Daniels, James Sumner, and Josiah Chapin, active contemporary townsmen of that day. His widow and the several heirs subscribed their written assent to the division, and so it went into satisfactory effect. His wid. d., date not found.

WHITNEY, ELIAS[5] (Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. in Holl., Nov. 14, 1716; m., 1st, Elizabeth Mellen; cer. Feb. 6, 1745-6, by Rev. Joshua Prentice. He seems to have res. 1st in Holl., near the eastern boundary of our Easterly Precinct, or perhaps temporarily within its limits; for he had his son Elias bap. by Mr. Frost, July 1, 1750. But he was at Framingham, June 12, 1764, when James Hayward deeded him the homestead, now his gt. gd.-son's, our present Elias Whitney. If I do not misunderstand my documentary data, he m., 2d, *Elizabeth Boyden*, June 26, 1774; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. His chn. were by his first wife, and most, if not all, of them, b. in Holl. I have seen on record only the following: —

ABIGAIL,, b. March 19, 1747; no further traced.

ELIAS, b. June 15, 1750; set. finally on the family homestead, Bear-hill district.

AMRILLEN, b. June 1, 1753; no further traced.

JONATHAN, b. Jan. 25, 1760; killed in the Revolutionary war.

The fr. d. July 29, 1810, a. 93 yrs. 9 mos. The date of his 2d wf.'s death not found. For aught that appears to the contrary, he, his wives, and the chn. were of reputable standing in the plain, old-fashioned society of their times.

WHITNEY, ELIAS[6] (Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), bap. by Rev. A. Frost, July 1, 1750; m. *Lucy Barnes* of Hingham, b. the same yr. with himself; cer. April 10, 1772, by Rev. Ebenezer Gay. Their chn. were, —

ABIGAIL, b. March 6, 1773; m. Barnard Boyden, 1798.

MELLEN, b. Dec. 9, 1774; m. Jane Richardson.

REBECCA, b. Jaffrey, N.H., Dec. 14, 1776; m. Amos Howard (Hayward), Bear-hill district.

LYDIA, b. Jaffrey, N.H., April 12, 1779; m. Abijah Clark, 1798; soon d.

JONATHAN, b. Jaffrey, N.H., May 9, 1781; m. Lavina Coombs; set. on the family homestead.

LABAN, b. Jaffrey, N.H., Oct. 24, 1783; m. Olive Green.

LUCY, b. Sterling, Mass., Jan. 6, 1786; m. John Wood; set. in Vt.

BETSEY } (twins), b. Sterling, Mass., Sept. 15, 1788; d. May 31, 1811.
HANNAH } b. Sterling, Mass., Sept. 15, 1788; d. Sept. 11, 1805.

ANNA, b. Sterling, Mass., Jan. 13, 1792; m., 1st, Charles Barnes; 2d, Alex. Cheney.

ELIAS, b. Mil., Feb. 4, 1795; d. Jan. 4, 1797.

These parents, after sundry removals, set. on the paternal homestead. Said to be worthy heads of a worthy family. He was so strictly conscientious, that, when the pension-law had passed, favoring with pensions the surviving Revolutionary soldiers, and his papers were all made out by Pearley Hunt, Esq., making perfectly valid his claim, on hearing them read over, and finding he had got to swear that he was a *needy* applicant, he squarely refused to make oath, or to have his pension on such terms; declaring that he was not thus needy, but had lived, and could live, without the pension. He was told that others, much richer than himself, made no scruple of swearing that they needed the proffered pension; but, though in really moderate circumstances, he persistently stuck to his scruples. His wf. d. Oct. 15, 1818; he d. May 22, 1828, in his 79th yr.

WHITNEY, JESSE[6] (Jonathan,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), of Deerbrook district, b. Nov. 24, 1730; m., 1st, *Mary Cheney*, dr. of William, jun., and Joanna, Sept. 22, 1757; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. He inherited a conspicuous portion of his fr.'s homestead, whereon he lived and d. He had there, —

OLIVE, b. Feb. 9, 1758; prob. lived and d. unm.

SUSANNA, b. July 12, 1759; d. April 6, 1760.

RHODA, b. Oct. 8, 1760; m. William Hayden, Hop., Dec. 7, 1779.

HACHALIAH, b. April 5, 1762; lived and d. in Mil.; twice m.

LUCY } (twins), b. July 17, 1764; m. Joseph Chamberlain, Hop., April 6, 1786.
RUTH } b. July 17, 1764; d. July 31, 1765.

ASA, b. Sept. 4, 1766; d. Oct. 7, 1768.

ANNA, b. July 13, 1770; m. William Abbey, Nov. 27, 1791.

Mrs. Mary (Cheney's) death-date not found. The hus. m., 2d, wid. *Ruth Wight*, 1779, who d. 1785. He m., 3d, *Abigail Rawson* of Upton, dr. of Wilson Rawson, prob. in July, 1794. His intentions of mge. entered July 5, 1794, in which he is styled "Lieut." His will bears date April 17, 1810. He names therein wf. Abigail, son Hachaliah, gd. son Levi Whitney, and drs. Olive Whitney, Rhoda Hayden, Lucy Chamberlain, and Anna Abbey; Lieut. David Stearns made executor. His death-date not found, and his wid.'s death-date not found. Civil and social standing good.

WHITNEY, Major HACHALIAH[7] (Jesse,[6] Jonathan,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. April 5, 1762; inherited much of the old homestead, or at least acquired most of it; m., 1st, *Abigail Nelson*, June 29, 1786; cer. by Rev. A. Frost. She was a dr. of Gershom and Mercy (Puffer) Nelson, b. July 30, 1765. Their chn. were, —

ETHAN, b. April 22, 1788; m. Betsey Miller Green.

JESSE, b. Oct. 12, 1790; m. Rebecca Fisk.

NELSON, b. March 24, 1790; d. July 19, 1790.

ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 6, 1803; still survives in town, unm.

The mr. d. Dec. 10, 1838, a. 73 yrs. and a little over 4 mos. The fr. m., 2d, *Mrs. Olive (Madden) Cobb*, wid. of Lewis Cobb, Oct. 9, 1842; cer. by Newell Nelson, Esq. He d. Nov. 14, 1848, in his 87th yr. His wid. d. about 1 yr. later, at her son Elmer Cobb's.

WHITNEY, JONATHAN[7] (Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. May 9, 1781; m. *Lavina Coombs*, Sept. 29, 1806; cer. by Rev. David Long. She was a dr. of John and Mary (Perry) (Partridge) Coombs, b. 1785. They res. on or near the old homestead in Bear-hill district. Their chn. were, —

Tamsin, b. July 8, 1807; m. Orlando F. Sparrow, May 12, 1833.

Elmira, b. Sept. 24, 1809; m. Benjamin F. Reynolds; d. not long after mge.

Elias, b. Feb. 7, 1811; res. always here, and a well-known citizen.

Charles Barnes, b. April 16, 1814; m. Mary Ann Cary, Medway, April 9, 1837.

Lucy Ann, b. March 12, 1816; m. Benjamin F. Reynolds of Sharon, Aug. 3, 1837.

Lydia, b. Sept. 28, 1818; m. Joseph H. Welch of Boston, Sept. 28, 1840.

George, b. March 15, 1821; m. Louisa P. C. Lincoln, Holl., Jan. 1, 1845.

Mary, birth-date not found; m. Shepherd Carpenter, Feb. 13, 1844; she d. June 11, 1881.

Jonathan Hollis, b. April 16, 1830; d. Jan. 15, 1832.

The mr. d. June 1, 1843, a. about 57 yrs. Death-date of the fr. not obtained.

WHITNEY, Laban[7] (Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. Oct. 24, 1783; m. *Olive Green*, June 27, 1805; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was a dr. of Cleophas Green; further desired particulars not obtained. Their chn. were, —

Betsey, b. Oct. 18, 1808; untraced.

Lemuel, b. 1817; m. Fannie Darling, Feb. 22, 1846.

Laban Whitney lived, not only in Mil., but in several other localities at different times. I have been unable to obtain his full family record as to births, mges., or deaths. Mrs. Olive d. in widowhood, Dec. 7, 1867.

WHITNEY, Ethan[8] (Hachaliah,[7] Jesse,[6] Jonathan,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. April 22, 1788; m. *Betsey Mellen Green*, Jan. 7, 1810; cer. by Samuel Jones, Esq. She was a dr. of Lemuel and Sukey (Torrey) Green, Mil., b. Nov. 22, 1792. Their chn. were, —

Nelson, b. May 5, 1811; m. Ruth Guild, Mil., April 6, 1836.

Harriot, b. April 9, 1813; untraced.

Willis, birth-date not found; d. Sept. 11, 1817, a. about 2 yrs.

There were still other chn.; but I must leave this record quite imperfect, for want of time and means to make the necessary research. Ethan Whitney, I believe, d. out of Mil., perhaps not far from 1820. I cannot give place or exact date. Mrs. Betsey, his wid., m. Micah Bent, Sept. 9, 1827. They afterwards removed to Bell. No further traced.

WHITNEY, Jesse[8] (Hachaliah,[7] Jesse,[6] Jonathan,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. Oct. 12, 1790; m. Rebecca Fisk, June 12, 1817; cer. by Rev. D. Long. She was b. in the year 1800; ptge. not ascertained. Issue: —

Rowanna Semira, b. Aug. 28, 1820; m. Israel Patch, Sept. 18, 1872. No chn.

A worthy family. Res. first on the ancient Whitney place, now Cedar St., and last on their newer homestead, 121 Main St. (East). He d. Feb. 1, 1850; she d. Aug. 10, 1871.

WHITNEY, Nelson[9] (Ethan,[8] Hachaliah,[7] Jesse,[6] Jonathan,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jonathan,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. May 5, 1811; m. *Ruth Guild*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; cer. Millbury, April 6, 1836, by the writer. Chn. recorded in Mil., —

Alonzo, b. June 2, 1837; untraced.

Melissa Ruth, b. March 12, 1839; d. Dec. 25, 1843.

Augustus Eugene, b. Dec. 6, 1840; d. Jan. 9, 1844.

Elbridge Green, b. Nov. 13, 1842; untraced.

Elias Whitney

I find myself unavoidably imperfect in my knowledge of this family, though formerly somewhat well acquainted with the father in his earlier days. He left town many yrs. ago.

WHITNEY, ELIAS[8] (Jonathan,[7] Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. Feb. 7, 1811; mr.'s maiden name Lavina Coombs of Bell.; m., 1st, *Zelona Semira Carpenter*, dr. of John and Susannah (Carpenter) Carpenter, who were cousins, b. Killingly, Ct., Sept. 5, 1811; cer. Killingly, Ct., March 17, 1833, by Rev. Mr. Bushnell. Issue:—

CHARLES EDWARD, b. Mil., Oct. 24, 1836; m. Mary Elizabeth Onion, Sept. 13, 1859.

Elias Whitney[8] comes of an ancient family. His gt. gd. fr., our first Elias Whitney, purchased the farm near the junction of Beaver and Mt. Pleasant Sts., now owned by the present Elias, June 12, 1764. That Elias was then said to be of Framingham; and he bought said farm of James Hayward, a gd. son of "Great-meadow" Jonathan Hayward, as I am obliged to call him. The farm has remained in possession of the first Elias Whitney's descendants ever since, being one of the few that have remained so long in the same lineage. Our present Elias Whitney is a much-trusted man in town affairs, especially in the oversight of the poor. He has been our leading overseer of the poor for some 21 yrs., and for more than a year has had personal charge of the asylum. He has also held various other responsible positions. Mrs. Zelona, the wf. of his youth, d. Sept. 8, 1876. He has since m. *Fannie P. Leland*, dr. of Daniel and Hannah (Jones) Leland, b. Holl., Dec. 7, 1815; cer. Mil., March 20, 1878, by Rev. George F. Eaton. Mrs. Whitney now shares with her husband the arduous and difficult duties of caring for the inmates of our asylum, as matron, and is winning a good reputation. Mr. Whitney has 7 grandchn., the chn. of his son Charles Edward. Their names and birth-dates will be found in the family record of their parents, farther along.

WHITNEY, CHARLES BARNES[8] (Jonathan,[7] Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. April 16, 1814; m. *Mary Ann Cary* of Medway, dr. of Barnabas and Phebe (Danforth) Cary, b. Rindge, N.H., Jan. 9, 1813; cer. in Medway, April 9, 1837, by Rev. Luther Bailey. Their chn.:—

MARY HELEN, b. Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 5, 1838; m. Dr. Henry W. Brown, Boston; 6 chn.

CHARLES, E. L. B., b. Norfolk, Nov. 10, 1839; m. Augusta G. Nichols, Aug. 14, 1864; 3 chn.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. Milford, Feb. 14, 1844; m. Jenny True, May 1, 1866; 1 dr.

FRANK LEPRELETE, b. Baltimore, Md., July 6, 1851; untraced.

J. WHEELWRIGHT, b. Medway, Feb. 19, 1854; untraced.

Charles B. Whitney was a man of remarkable business enterprise and success. Pecuniary and social standing excellent. He d. May 14, 1874. His worthy wid. and all her chn. survive.

WHITNEY, GEORGE[8] (Jonathan,[7] Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. March 15, 1821; boot-click; m. *Louisa P. C. Lincoln*, dr. of Ira and Patty (Whiting) Lincoln, b. Holl., May 24, 1825; cer. Holl., Jan. 1, 1845, by whom not given. Their chn.:—

ELIAS, b. Jan. 21, 1849; m., name not given, Sept. 11, 1872.

ELLA JANE, b. April 10, 1852; d. Aug. 13, 1853.

Of reputable character and standing.

WHITNEY, LEMUEL[8] (Laban,[7] Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jona-

than,[2] John[1]), b. Bell., 1817; mr.'s maiden name Olive Green; m. *Fanny Darling*, dr. of Anson and Amey (Gaskill) Darling, b. Cumberland, R.I., Aug. 21, 1827; cer. Mil., Feb. 22, 1846, by Rev. Benjamin H. Davis. Res. in our Bear-hill district; occupation, farming. Their chn.:—

REUEL E., b. Oct. 5, 1856; m., May 5, 1878, name of bride not given; 1 child. He d. Aug. 7, 1881.

HENRY E., b. Oct. 7, 1859.

IDELLA G., b. May 8, 1868.

One gd. child, dr. of Reuel E.

Mabel E., b. May 25, 1879.

An industrious, frugal, and orderly family.

WHITNEY, OTIS[7] (James,[6] Ezra,[5] James,[4] John,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]). This is the pedigree of Otis,[7] as deducible from the data at my command. His lineage comes down from John,[1] the ancestral immigrant of all our Whitneys through Jonathan,[2] instead of Benjamin,[2] under whom I have decided to arrange our oldest Whitney families. Otis[7] has been at so much pains to collect family records, beginning with that of his grandfather, Ezra, that I feel somewhat bound to give an abstract of his data.

WHITNEY, EZRA[5] (James,[4] John,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. probably in Sherborn, Feb. 22, 1730; whom he m. not given. They had the following-named chn.:—

JAMES, JOHN, EZRA, MOSES, SAMUEL, MERCY, and ELIZABETH. James[6] was the father of our Otis.[7] John is not credited with any children; Ezra had 3, named,—

ELIZA, HARRIET, and WILLIAM. Moses, by two wives, had 13; named,—

BENJAMIN B., TIMOTHY, ANNA W., JOHN A., SAMUEL B., NANCY W., HANNAH, ESTHER, ADALIZA, JULIA A., CHARLOTTE, ELLEN M., and SUSAN, all b. between 1781 and 1813. Samuel had 3; named,—

MARY, MERCY, and MARIA. Mercy m. Capt. Samuel Read of Uxbridge, and had 4, named,—

MARY, NANCY, ABBIE, and ELIZABETH. Elizabeth m. a Mr. Hill, and had 5, named,—

EZRA, HANNAH, IRENE, MOSES, and MICAH. Ezra,[5] the fr. and gd. fr. of the foregoing, d. in Woodstock, Ct., Sept 24, 1804, a. about 74 yrs.

WHITNEY, JAMES[6] (Ezra,[5] James,[4] John,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. 1765; had a succession of three wives, and in all 20 chn., viz.:—

JOB, b. Sept. 29, 1788; m. Abigail Buckman, No. Woodstock, Ct., March 2, 1815; he d. Sept. 10, 1854.

EZRA, b. Jan., 1790; m. Lucy Waters of Thompson, Ct., date not given; he d. Aug., 1848.

NEWELL, b. 1796; m., 1st, Anna Leonard; 2d, Clarissa Clark; 3d, L. Tillotson.

HENRIETTA, b. May 17, 1797; m. Ephraim Baylies, Uxbridge, Feb. 19, 1823; both now d.

MERCY, b. date not given; m., 1st, a Mr. Lyon; 2d, Asa Bugbee of Woodstock, Ct.

JAMES, b. March 6, 1800; m., 1st, Prudence Allard; 2d, Lavina Lee; res. Woodstock, Ct.; he d. Aug. 30, 1854.

MARY, b. Dec. 3, 1801; m. Josiah Allen, Feb. 4, 1827, and set. in Craftsbury, Vt.

MICAH, b. Oct. 20, 1803; m., 1st, Diantha Walker, 1830; 2d, Elizabeth Chandler, 1850.

SCHUYLER, b. Sept. 9, 1806; m. Sally Litchfield, Oct. 24, 1828; physician, Southbridge; both d. 1879.

BEZALEEL, b. April 16, 1808; m. Abigail Collins, date not given.

RUTH H. } (twins), b. Oct. 12, 1809; m. Alanson Howard in Uxbridge, April 24, 1838; 2d, George Towne.
ELIZABETH } b. Oct 12, 1809; d. young.

WILLIAM, b. May 12, 1811; m. Marita Draper; he d. April 15, 1844.

DANIEL, b. Oct. 2, 1812; m. Ruth Watson of No. Kingston, R.I., Feb. 9, 1836.

SAMUEL B., b. Sept. 17, 1814; m., 1st, Sophia Walker, 1842; 2d, Martha Draper, 1849.

CLARISSA, b. April 29, 1816; d. 1837.

BETSEY H., b. March 29, 1818; m., 1st, Ziba Harriman of Greensboro', Vt., 1839; 2d, Burrill Hoyt, 1869.

PLINY, b. July 30, 1819; m. Nancy Lincoln of Greensboro', Vt.

OTIS, b. April 19, 1821; m., 1st, Joanna W. Howard, Nov. 5, 1843; 2d, Medora Albee, June 13, 1872.

FIDELIA, b. March 11, 1823; d. March 21 ensuing.

This is an uncommonly large family, of which our Otis Whitney is the 19th child, and the only one that set. among us. The others seem to have scattered far and wide over New England. Most of them were b. in Woodstock, Ct. Two or three d. young. Some that lived to m. had no chn. But those who had chn. count up in all as reported, 65, with gd. chn. to match. Many names, dates, and particulars are of course omitted in this abstract, which may be found by those interested in Otis Whitney's collections. I now return to our townsman and his family.

WHITNEY, OTIS[7] (James,[6] Ezra,[5] James,[4] John,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. April 19, 1821; mr.'s maiden name Clarissa Gould; m., 1st, *Joanna Wedge Howard* of Mil., dr. of Newell W. and Sarah (Warfield) Howard, b. March 7, 1825; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 5, 1843, by Rev. Daniel S. Whitney. Their chn.: —

NEWELL H., b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1844; d. same day.

GEORGE SCHUYLER, b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1847; m. Anna Mae Wilkinson of Mil., June 9, 1870.

EDWIN J., b. Mil., May 27, 1850; carpenter; res. Worcester.

FRANK OTIS, b. Mil., Nov. 5, 1860; d. Aug. 31, 1861.

Mrs. Joanna d., date not given. The hus. m., 2d, *Medora Albee* of Mil., dr. of Abel and Abigail (Partridge) Albee, b. June 13, 1832; cer. in Worcester, June 13, 1872, by Rev. George Gow. Issue: —

EMMA C., b. April 26, 1873; d. April 29 ensuing.

Mr. Whitney is an excellent carpenter and citizen, and his family hold a worthy social standing.

WHITNEY, GEORGE SCHUYLER[8] (Otis,[7] James,[6] Ezra,[5] James,[4] John,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. Mil., Aug. 26, 1847; an expert carpenter; m. *Anna Mae Wilkinson* of Mil., dr. of William S. and Laura C. (Paine) Wilkinson, b. Nov. 4, 1848; cer. at the parental res., Mil., Jan. 9, 1870, by the writer. Issue: —

FLORENCE E., b. Mil., Aug. 28, 1871.

Social standing good.

WHITNEY, Rev. DANIEL SANDERSON[8] (Amaziah,[7] Caleb,[6] Caleb,[5] Timothy,[4] John[3] (prob.), John,[2] John and Elinor[1]), b. at Danvers, now Peabody, Feb. 4, 1810; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Trull, 9th and youngest child; m.

Hannah Sophia Phillips Cotton, dr. of Rev. Ward Cotton and Mrs. Rebekah (Jackson) Cotton, b. in Boylston, Oct. 16, 1810; cer. in Boylston, June 23, 1842, by the writer. Their chn. : —

Daniel Cotton, b. Hopedale, May 8, 1843; d. Beverly, July 31, 1850.

Mary Phillips Cotton, b. Hopedale, March 12, 1849; m. John D. Billings, Nov. 24, 1870.

Alice Gertrude Cotton, b. Boylston, July 21, 1852; m. Hazen J. Burton, July 20, 1871.

Grandchn. : —

John Cotton Billings, b. Jamaica Plain, Nov. 21, 1871.

Carlyle Whitney Billings, b. Southboro', Aug. 9, 1874.

Hazel Burton, b. Brookline, Aug. 27, 1872.

Ralph Walter Burton, b. Brookline, March 10, 1874; d. May 25, 1875.

Ward Cotton Burton, b. Cambridgeport, March 3, 1876.

There is no doubt of Mr. Whitney's descent from John and Elinor, the ancestral immigrants, to whom I have traced our Mil. Whitneys, and but little doubt of his descent from their eldest son John. He was b. in England, and is believed to have set. in Roxbury, where several successive generations of his posterity dwelt. Mrs. Hannah Sophia Phillips (Cotton[7]) Whitney is a descendant, as follows: Ward,[6] John,[5] Josiah,[4] John,[3] John,[2] first minister of Boston (arrived Sept. 3, 1633; d. Dec. 3, 1652), son of Roland Cotton[1] of Derby, Eng.

Mr. Whitney studied for the ministry with Rev. Paul Dean of Boston, and was ordained as an evangelist by the Massachusetts Association of Restorationists. He is a warm-hearted, conscientious, earnest preacher of practical Christianity in its various reformatory bearings, though never formally settled as a pastor. He has preached at different periods, for longer or shorter terms, in Middlesex Village, West Boylston, and Berlin. Also lectured much on temperance and other reforms. He was one of my original coadjutors in the attempt to establish the Community at Hopedale; commenced with us there in 1842, his wf. likewise becoming a member, and the family continuing with us till 1850. Since then they have res. in other localities, mainly in Southboro', where he has been postmaster from 187 1to the present time. While res. in Boylston, that town elected him its delegate to the State Convention of 1853, for revising the constitution. Concerning his participation in that body, he rather dryly says, "The only things that made me a *white crow* in that convention were my advocacy of the proposition to leave the term *male* out of the constitution, as Francis Jackson and his friends desired it should be; and the proposition to put aside the military organization, and intrust the execution of the laws to the legal voters, who really enacted them.

WHITNEY, James Irish, ancestry not traced, but presumed to have descended from John and Elinor; son of William and Mary A. (Mayberry) Whitney, b. in Otisfield, Me., 1839; machinist, fish-dealer, etc.; m. *Susan Eudora Thwing*, dr. of Almond and Sarah A. (Darling) Thwing, b in Hopedale, July 26, 1847; cer. at the parental res. in Hopedale, Feb. 28, 1867, by the writer. Their chn. : —

Mabel Gertrude, b. Hopedale, Jan. 12, 1868.

Almon Thwing, b. Hopedale, Aug. 3, 1869.

Anna Thwing, b. Mil., Aug. 30, 1871.

The mr. is an excellent contralto singer, and is much employed in church-choirs, at funerals, and on other occasions. Mr. W. has done business for several yrs. past in the Centre, and there the family now dwell.

WHITNEY, GEORGE WASHINGTON, ancestry not traced, but presumed to have descended from John and Elinor; son of Bansford and Eunice (Winch) Whitney, b. in Holden, Sept. 16, 1836; m. *Elizabeth Munyan*, dr. of Earl and Susan (Humes) Munyan, b. Thompson, Ct., Jan. 15, 1836; cer. Thompson, Ct., Dec. 26, 1863, by Rev. A. Dunning. Their chn.:—

CHARLES LEONARD, b. Sutton, Sept. 14, 1864.

ADA MAY, b. Winchendon, Nov. 8, 1866.

SUSAN ALICE, b. Winchendon, Feb. 4, 1869.

WILLIAM ERNEST, b. Mil., June 15, 1872.

Mr. W. is an industrious mechanic, and has a worthy family. They have res. in Sutton, Winchendon, Mil., and now dwell in Hopedale.

WHITNEY, EDWIN D., machinist, a bro. of George W., formerly res. in town, but latterly res., I think, in Woonsocket, R.I.

WHITNEY, CHARLES EDWARD[9] (Elias,[8] Jonathan,[7] Elias,[6] Elias,[5] Jonathan,[4] Benjamin,[3] Jonathan,[2] John[1]), b. Oct. 24, 1836; m. *Mary Elizabeth Onion*, dr. of Horace and Julia (Deming) Onion, b. in Chester, Vt., April 30, 1840; cer. in Chester, Vt., Sept. 13, 1859. Since their mge., the bride's parents have procured a legal change of name from Onion to Deming, so that now they stand recorded as Horace and Julia Deming. The chn. of Charles Edward and Mary E. Whitney are,—

HORACE ELIAS, b. Mil., Oct. 19, 1861.

ALICE ELIZA, b. Mil., Feb. 19, 1864.

JULIA ELLEN, b. Chester, Vt., Aug. 22, 1867.

MARY ELIZABETH, b. Chester, Vt., Feb. 2, 1870.

AMY LOUISA, b. Mil., April 24, 1872.

CORA MAY, b. Mil., Feb. 21, 1876.

CHARLES EDWARD, Jun., b. Mil., Oct. 12, 1879.

Mr. Whitney is an efficient boot-cutter, res. on the ancient patrimonal est., near the junction of Beaver and Mt. Pleasant Sts., and with his rising family reputably sustains the standing of his ancestry.

WIGHT, ELEAZER, believed to be the son of Eleazer and Mary Wight of Mendon, birth-date not ascertained; m. *Ruth Legg*, dr. of William and Hannah (Nelson) Legg, b. Feb. 30, 1739; cer. Dec. 3, 1761, by Rev. A. Frost. Issue:—

MARY, bap. March 27, 1763; m. Ezekiel Jones, May 9, 1782.

HANNAH, bap. April 15, 1764; m. Stephen Kilburn, March 31, 1782.

ELEAZER, bap. March 23, 1766; d. Nov. 25, 1775.

ABNER, bap. June 12, 1768; m. Huldah Pond of Franklin, 1791.

RUTH, bap. not found, prob. 1770; m. Edward Webber, Feb. 4, 1790.

OLIVE, bap. June 6, 1773; d. July 26, 1775.

OLIVE, bap. June 2, 1776; untraced.

The parents were members of the Cong. ch., and dwelt on the homestead formerly (partly or wholly) Nathaniel Morse's. It fell to their son Abner, then became Dr. Gustavus D. Peck's, more recently the late Ziba Thayer's, and is now his widow's. The fr. d. Dec. 3, 1775, in his 41st yr. Mrs. Ruth, if I have not mistaken facts, became the 2d wf. of Lieut. Jesse Whitney, 1779, and d. Oct. 21, 1785.

WIGHT, ABNER[3] (Eleazer,[2] Eleazer[1]), b. June 12, 1768; m. *Huldah Pond*, dr. of Eli and Hannah (Daniels) Pond of Franklin; cer. 1791. Issue:—

ELI, b. Mil., March 28, 1791; untraced.

RUTH, b. Mil., Feb. 21, 1793; untraced.

ABNER, Jun., b. Mil., May 16, 1795; m. Diana Wing, Sept. 22, 1818.

HASKEY, b. Mil., Nov. 16, 1797; m. Clarissa Cheney, April 5, 1821.

SABIN, b. Mil., April 28, 1800; untraced.

Mrs. Huldah d. Sept. 8, 1828. The hus. and fr. d. in Upton, March 19, 1834. I believe all Abner Wight's chn. left Mil. before their fr.'s death. How many of them are living, and where, I am uninformed.

WIGHT, ABNER, Jun.[4] (Abner,[3] Eleazer,[2] Eleazer[1]), b. May 16, 1795; m. *Diana Wing*, pedigree, etc., untraced; cer. Sept. 22, 1818, by Rev. D. Long. Issue recorded here, —

ABNER GIBBS, b. Nov. 15, 1820.

CLARINDA JONES, b. March 11, 1822.

Family no further traced.

WIGHT, CHARLES, and wf. *Mary*, are credited on our records, between 1835 and 1842, with the following specified births: —

JANE ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 8, 1836; m. Rev. Silas Edwin Tingley, Jan. 5, 1858.

EMILY MARSH, b. April 28, 1838.

CHARLES ALBERT, b. April 1, 1841.

No family record sent me, and can proceed no further.

WIGHT, CHARLES F., teacher of music, appears in directories 1856, '69.

WIGHT, HENRY F., musician, dealer in musical instruments. 1856, '72, '75, '78, '80.

WIGHT, IRA, farmer, Bear Hill. 1856, '69, '72, '75, '78, '80.

WIGHT, CHARLES A., farmer, Bear Hill. 1869, '72, '78, '80.

WIGHT, FRANK, bootmaker. 1869.

None of these Wights reported to me any genealogical data.

WILBER, DAVIS, pedigree, etc., not given; long an active business man in town in various pursuits; m., 1st, *Lucy H. Warfield*, dr. of Samuel and Lucy (Howard) Warfield, b. Mil., Oct. 19, 1822; cer. at Hopedale, Oct. 15, 1843, by the writer. Mrs. Lucy d. childless, April 3, 1854. The hus. m., 2d, *Olive Gaskill*, dr. of Elisha Gaskill of Blackstone; no particulars ascertained. Issue: —

OLIVE, b. April 15, 1856; for several years an assistant high-school teacher.

A SON, whose name has been reported to me as ROLLIN, b. Aug., 1858.

Mrs. Olive soon d.; and the hus. m., 3d, *Emma Peck Barney* of Wrentham; cer. in Medway, June 4, 1861, by Rev. Mr. Sanford. Issue: —

MABEL EMMA, b. Jan. 15, 1868.

ESSIE GUERNSEY, b. June 8, 1872.

This is a very imperfect family record; but I received no help from Mr. W. as I hoped I might, and preferred what I have given, rather than nothing.

WILBUR, MILLEN TAFT, son of Sayles and Ruth (Taft) Wilbur, b. Providence, R.I., Jan. 25, 1835; m. *Julia Anna Lathrop*, dr. of Samuel and Julia (Wheelock) Lathrop, b. in Millbury, March 30, 1844; cer. Providence, R.I., June 7, 1861, by Rev. Edwin M. Stone. Their chn.: —

SAMUEL LATHROP, b. Oct. 9, 1862; d. Aug. 31, 1865.

CHARLES AUSTIN, b. Sept. 23, 1866.

MILLEN ERNEST, b. March 11, 1871.

HARRY LATHROP, b. Dec. 10, 1874.

A reputable and promising family. They res. a short time in Providence, R.I., afterwards some yrs. in Mendon, but latterly have dwelt for a considerable time in Hopedale, where they have a nice little home at the south end, on Main St. I married Mr. W.'s parents in Mendon, and have ministered at both their funerals since I dwelt at Hopedale. Mr. W. is an efficient machinist in our Hopedale shops, and stands well among his fellows.

WILCOX. A scarce name in Mil., though somwhat frequent in Mendon, Blackstone, etc. It abounds in R. I. and Ct. We have but 2 families in town of this name.

WILCOX, EDWIN G.[5] (Willard,[4] Willard,[3] Stephen,[2] Daniel[1]), b. in Blackstone, Sept. 29, 1845; mr.'s maiden name Betsey F. Jencks; m. *Abbie M. Burlingame*, dr. of Horace and Polly (Chase) Burlingame, b. in Bell., April 18, 1850; cer. at Hopedale, April 8, 1872, by the writer. Issue:—

BESSIE WILLARD, b. Mil., Feb. 26, 1873.

Industrious, orderly, quiet, worthy persons. They have res. in Mil. since their mge., and Mr. W. has been steadily employed in the Temple shop at Hopedale, where he is much respected by his employers and fellow-mechanics. His gt. gt. gd. fr., Daniel,[1] was, I am told, a seafaring man in New Bedford until of middle age, when he came to what is now called Jenckesville, in Cumberland, R.I. There he set up blacksmithing and a grist-mill. I knew him as a miller in my early boyhood, and his son Stephen as an ingenious maker of scythes and other edged-tools. I wished to trace this Daniel[1] to the ancestral immigrant, but had not the time and means.

WILCOX, CHARLES WILBUR, ancestry not given, son of Erastus and Electa (Brown) Wilcox, b. in Brookfield, Vt., June 26, 1836; jeweller; m. *Ann Maria Clark*, dr. of Uriah A. and Betsey (Samson) Clark, b. in Brookfield, Vt., April 22, 1843; cer. in Brookfield, Vt., Sept. 25, 1867, by Rev. Charles W. Emerson. Issue:—

CLARK HENRY, b. Mil., May 8, 1877.

Mr. Wilcox did not report, in his record, how long he has res. in town; but I find his name in our Directory for 1869, and so presume he must have set. here soon after his mge. in 1867. He is popular and successful in business, and holds with his family an eminently reputable standing in society. I understand that he won honorable fame in the service of his country during the late civil war as a Vermont volunteer, but he has given me no particulars of his war-record. He worthily enjoys the distinction of representing our legislative district in Gen. Court for the year 1881. I had his promise to furnish me his pedigree for some generations in the ancestral line, but he either forgot, or found it inconvenient, to do so.

WILCOX, MARCUS, ptge., ancestry, etc., not ascertained; a bro. of Otis Wilcox in Uxbridge; wf. *Keziah*, ptge., etc., not ascertained; res. in Mil. 1856, and for several yrs. thereabouts. His occupation was that of a boot-treer. They were worthy persons. They had 1 dr., who d. in town, July 25, 1859; viz., —

URSULA B., a. 17 yrs.

They removed to Ashland, where Mr. Wilcox d. Aug. 31, 1861, a. 54 yrs. His wid. still survives; she res. in So. Douglas.

WILKINSON. Our Wilkinsons, though of ancient lineage, are comparatively recent comers. William S. Wilkinson came into town in 1843: his bro. Robert in 1845; and their younger bro., David L., not long after. They were sons of David and Thankful (Sayles) Wilkinson, natives of Smithfield, R.I. About the yr. 1848 Capt. Alexander T. Wilkinson came over from Mendon with his family, and set. here. A yr. later Mrs. Abigail, his mr., came with 2 drs., Lovicy and Silence, and an elder sister, the wid. of Alexander Thayer, all from North Mendon. Mrs. Abigail was the wid. of Israel Wilkinson, a cousin of the aforesaid David, and a native of Smithfield, R.I. All these are descendants of an eminent immigrant from Eng., who joined Roger Williams at Providence, R.I.,

between the yrs. 1645 and 1652. Omitting many interesting historical facts concerning this ancestor and his descendants, I will commence my tabulations on the authority of a vol. entitled "Memoirs of the Wilkinson Family in America," with the record of, —

WILKINSON, DAVID[6] (Robert,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. Dec. 5, 1783; m., 1st, *Lucy Capron*, dr. of Joseph Capron; she d. at an early age, leaving 1 child, a dr. —

ABBY ANN, b. Nov. 1, 1810; m. Caleb Bryant of Woonsocket; d. Aug. 7, 1837.

The hus. m., 2d, *Thankful Sayles*, dr. of Smith and Abigail (Scott) Sayles of Smithfield, R.I.; further particulars not given. Their chn.: —

LUCY CAPRON, b. April 29, 1814; m., 1st, Barton Cook; 2d, Otis Carpenter; 3d, —— Bailey.

ROBERT SMITH, b. Feb. 19, 1817; m. Maria Morrison, Woonsocket, R.I., 1841.

MARY LAPHAM, b. Jan. 7, 1819; m. John O. Sayles. She d. June 5, 1842.

JOANNA, b. March 29, 1820; m. Elbridge G. Cook.

JULIA EMMA, b. Oct. 13, 1821; m. Samuel Ford. She d. April 8, 1848.

WILLIAM SCOTT, b. March 26, 1823; m. Laura C. Paine, April 27, 1848.

AMANDA MALVINA, b. March 12, 1825; unm.; res. mostly in Mil.

DAVID LAWRENCE, b. Oct. 6, 1826; m. Sarah L. Tourtellott, June 15, 1853.

ADELIA BALLOU, b. March 25, 1828; m. Samuel Ford, Newark, N.Y.

THANKFUL SAYLES, b. July 9, 1831; m. Amariah A. Taft, Feb. 20, 1854.

The hus. and fr. d. Aug. 9, 1836, a. 53 yrs. Mrs. Thankful, his wid., d. May 31, 1860. An intelligent, enterprising, and much respected family. David Wilkinson is thus justly described in the "Memoirs" above alluded to: "He was a man of delicate constitution, a good scholar, well versed in mathematics, including surveying and navigation. He was frequently elected to offices of trust, being at different times member and president of the town council, representative to the General Assembly," etc.

WILKINSON, ISRAEL[6] (Israel,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. March 23, 1789; an ingenious mechanic; m. *Abigail Carpenter*, dr. of Oliver and Joanna (Ballou) Carpenter of Mendon; further particulars of the mge. not found. Their chn.: —

ALEXANDER THAYER, b. June 10, 1815; m., 1st, Maria Sayles; 2d, Emily Morrison.

EDWIN CARPENTER, b. Oct. 19, 1816; d. Oct. 17, 1817.

LOVICY, b. Jan. 10, 1819; lives in unm. usefulness.

SILENCE JUDD, b. Jan. 28, 1821; lives in unm. usefulness.

A family of excellent capabilities and solid moral worth. The fr. d. Oct. 18, 1820. Mrs. Abigail, his wid., d. in Mil., Nov. 20, 1859.

WILKINSON, ALEXANDER THAYER[7] (Israel,[6] Israel,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. June 10, 1815; m., 1st, *Maria Sayles*, dr. of Arnold and Lillis (Irons) Sayles, b. in Burrillville, R.I.; cer. Mendon, Aug. 17, 1833, by Rev. Paul Dean of Boston. Their chn.: —

EDWIN, b. Feb. 19, 1835; m. Mary F. Rainsford, March 28, 1860.

LEONIDAS, b. Feb. 28, 1837; m. Rhoda V. Davis, 1864.

IRA, b. Nov. 25, 1838; d. Oct. 25, 1842.

WALTER, b. Dec. 5, 1840; d. in battle, May 5, 1862, Williamsburg, Va.

MARY, b. Jan. 2, 1843; m. Francis Metcalf, Bell.

ABBY, b. Nov. 21, 1844; unm.; res. Bell.

EMMA, b. May 31, 1847; m. E. Davee.

LESLIE, b. Dec. 21, 1849; d. May 15, 1870.

ALICE, b. Nov. 22, 1851; m. Frederick Warren; res. Auburn.

Mrs. Maria d. Oct. 11, 1853. The hus. m., 2d, *Emily Morrison*, dr. of David and Lydia (Streeter) Morrison, b. Cumberland Hill, R.I., Aug. 15, 1818; cer. at Woonsocket, Aug. 6, 1855, by Rev. John Boyden.

The hus. and fr. has distinguished himself by general intelligence, mercantile aptitudes, patriotic public spirit, and his interest in the reforms of the age. He has been captain of militia, held various town offices, been justice of the peace, and assistant collector of internal revenue. He has res. mostly in town since he first became a citizen, though for short periods in Boston, Worcester, etc., as circumstances rendered necessary. Three of his sons went to the war in defence of the Union; viz., Edwin, Leonidas, and Walter. The latter fell in battle at Williamsburg, Va. He was the first soldier from Mil. that lost his life in that great conflict. He received eminent funeral honors from our citizens. In respect to all three, see the "War-Record."

WILKINSON, EDWIN[8] (Alexander Thayer,[7] Israel,[6] Israel,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. Feb. 19, 1835; m. *Mary F. Rainsford*, dr. of John L. and Maria E. Rainsford, b. in Bangor, Me.; cer. at Hopedale, March 28, 1860, by the writer. Their chn.:—

FREDERIC SAYLES, b. Jan. 7, 1862.

NELLIE AUGUSTA, b. Jan. 10, 1864; d. March 27 ensuing.

WALTER F., b. Jan. 23, 1865.

MARY, b. date not reported.

JESSE, b. date not reported; present res. Natick.

WILKINSON, LEONIDAS,[8] bro. of Edwin, b. Feb. 28, 1837; m. *Rhoda V. Davis* of Winchendon, 1864; other particulars not given. Issue:—

WALTER E., b. March 26, 1865.

Several more chn. since b., but not reported; present res. Chicopee.

WILKINSON, ROBERT SMITH[7] (David,[6] Robert,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. Smithfield, R.I., Feb. 19, 1817; m. *Maria Morrison*, dr. of David and Lydia (Streeter) Morrison, b. in Woonsocket, R.I., April 17, 1822; cer. at Woonsocket, 1841, by Rev. William S. Balch. Their chn.:—

DAVID LUCIAN, b. June 18, 1842; commenced practice of law here; d. suddenly, New Orleans, Nov. 5, 1878.

ELIDA M., b. April 24, 1844.

FRANK E., b. Jan. 18, 1847; d. New Orleans, yellow-fever, Oct. 15, 1878.

An enterprising and worthy family, but subjects of much affliction. Mrs. Maria d. Mil., Dec., 1866. The only dr. is beclouded by mental derangement; and the 2 sons d., as above, only a few weeks apart. The fr. res. with his bro. William, and bears up under his adversities with remarkable fortitude.

WILKINSON, WILLIAM SCOTT[7] (David,[6] Robert,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. Smithfield, R.I., March 26, 1823; m. *Laura C. Paine*, dr. of Thomas A. and Zilpha (Remington) Paine, b. in Woonsocket, R.I., June 18, 1826; cer. New York City, April 27, 1848, by Rev. William Y. Rooker. Issue:—

ANNA MAE, b. Nov. 4, 1848; m. George Schuyler Whitney, June 9, 1870.

THOMAS PAINE, b. Jan. 20, 1852; m. Anna M. Taft, Oct. 28, 1875; res. Mil.

CHARLES FREMONT, b. July 12, 1856; m. Etta A. Leland, Dec. 24, 1879; res. Mil.

MAUD, b. May 11, 1866.

Reputable family, — industrious, economical, and orderly. Mr. W. has been engaged mostly in farming and the meat business. Res. on So. Main St., on a landed estate once belonging to the Haywards of that neighborhood, — the Ora Howard place.

WILKINSON, DAVID LAWRENCE[7] (David,[6] Robert,[5] Israel,[4] Samuel,[3] Samuel,[2] Lawrence[1]), b. Oct. 6, 1826, Smithfield, R.I.; m. *Sarah L. Tourtellott*, dr. of Lyman and Laura Ann (Fisher) Tourtellott, b. in Woonsocket, R.I., Nov. 15, 1834; cer. in Woonsocket, June 15, 1853, by Rev. John Boyden. Their chn.: —

ELLEN L., b. Nov. 28, 1854; m. Allen C. Sweeting, Nov. 15, 1875.

EDITH L., b. May 27, 1863; d. Pawtucket, May 27, 1874.

IRVING LAWRENCE, b. Dec. 8, 1865; d. Dec. 12 ensuing.

Intelligent and estimable family. While res. here he was first engaged in the meat-business with his bro. William. Later he turned his attention successfully to surveying and civil engineering. He left town a few yrs. since, and now res. in Pawtucket, prosperously pursuing his engineering business.

WILL, Capt. JOHN and wf. *Ruth*, with chn. ELIZABETH, CHARLES, and NANCY, came into town, as tenants of Seth Davenport, April 10, 1788, were warned out in 1791, and no more mentioned.

WILLARD, HENRY, son of Joseph and Betsey (French) Willard, b. Grafton, Vt., Sept. 16, 1833; machinist; m. *Elnora Goodenow*, dr. of Leonard and Harriet (Evans) Goodenow, b. Charlestown, N.H., Nov. 12, 1834; cer. Claremont, N.H., Jan. 1, 1868, by Warren Evans, Esq. Issue: 1 child, b. Nov. 5, 1863; d. 14th same month. I infer that this family must have res. in town some 10 or 12 yrs. I presume they are worthy people, of commendable characteristics in business and social circles, and altogether superior to Mr. Willard's chirography, which I fear I may have misinterpreted in rendering names. If so he must excuse my awkwardness, for I am a tyro in hieroglyphics.

According to directories, the following named Willards have res. here: —

WILLARD, CHARLES, bds. at Felton's Hotel. 1856.

WILLARD, JOSIAH, watchmaker. 1856.

WILLARD, PHINEAS. 1869, '72, '75, '78, '80.

WILLARD, GEORGE, painter, Hopedale. 1872, '75, '78, '80.

WILLARD, EDGAR P., bootmaker. 1875, '78, '80.

WILLIAMS, PRUDENCE, negro servant of Jonathan Williams, was bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost, Sept. 29, 1776.

WILLIAMS (wid.) ABIGAIL, had the following-named chn. bap. here by Rev. Mr. Long, Nov. 8, 1801: —

JASON, POLLY, HENRY, HARLOW, and LORING.

WILLIAMS, HARLOW, above named, and wf. *Sarah* (*Pierce*), are credited with the following specified births: —

HENRY, b. April 8, 1823.

SARAH, b. Nov. 23, 1824.

SOPHIA, b. April 1, 1827.

SAMUEL, b. March 15, 1829.

WILLIAM, b. July 31, 1830.

Family no further traced.

WILLIAMS, GEORGE H.[4] (Nathan A.,[3] William, jun.,[2] Rev. William[1]), b. Wrentham, Dec. 26, 1838; mr.'s maiden name Esther B. Haradon; m. *Anna Ferniough*, dr. of William and Catherine (Burnett) Ferniough, b.

Galway, N.Y., Aug. 2, 1843; cer. Frankford, Pa., June 23, 1864, by Thomas P. Coulston. Issue:—

CARRIE E., b. Medway, May 26, 1865.

An intelligent and reputable family. They have res. in Hopedale over 7 yrs. Mr. Williams is an expert and diligent machinist, held in respectful esteem by his employers and fellow craftsmen. He has good ancestry behind him. I knew somewhat of his gt. gd. fr., Rev. William Williams. He was pastor of the Baptist ch. in West Wrentham in the days of my boyhood. He is said to have been of Welsh extraction, but perhaps b. in Pennsylvania. Thence he came on horseback, in his youth, to Providence, R.I., to complete his education at Brown University. This he did, graduated therefrom, became a Baptist clergyman, set. in West Wrentham, opened a select seminary, and became, for those days, quite a famous educator, fitting many young men for admission into Brown University.

WILLIAMS, CHARLES, son of Joseph and Mary (Freeman) Williams, b. in Marlboro', Sept. 26, 1818; bootmaker; set. in Mil., 1837; m. *Roxana Nichols Adams*, dr. of Obadiah and Mary (Johnson) Adams, b. in Med., June 30, 1820; cer. in Mil., June 30, 1842, by Rev. William Bell. Issue:—

FREDERICK GRANVILLE, b. Mil., Sept. 20, 1843; m. Mary Ann Dugan, Feb. 4, 1864.

EMMA LUCELLA, b. Mil., Dec. 1, 1846; m. Peleg Eddy Wood, April 25, 1869.

MINNIE ADALINE, b. Mil., Dec. 24, 1856.

CHARLES ADAMS, b. Mil., Oct. 23, 1859; d. May 11, 1861.

Grandchn. — Chn. of Frederick G. and Mary A. (Dugan) Williams:—

Effie Roxana, b. Mil., May 30, 1864.

Charlie Eugene, b. April 25, 1868.

Frank Adams, b. March 7, 1870.

Chn. of Peleg E. and Emma L. (Williams) Wood:—

Elmo Williams, b. Mil., Sept. 10, 1875.

Fred. Eddy, b. June 10, 1878.

Charles Burt, b. June 17, 1879.

A family noted for sympathetic kindness and neighborly good-will, besides their other commendable qualities.

WILLIAMS, JOSEPH, who keeps a boarding-stable on School St., is an unm. brother of Charles; b. in Marlboro', and has res. in town, I know not how many yrs. I think I have been told that one or two others of the same Marlboro' family res. here.

WILLIAMS, MOSES P., son of Bela and Mary Williams; b. probably in Barre, 1822; m., 1st, *Elizabeth C. Bragg*, dr. of Col. Arial and Nancy Bragg, b. Mil., May 20, 1818; cer. Dec. 9, 1845, by the writer. They had several chn., most, perhaps all, of whom d. young. They then passed away; and the hus., some yrs. later, m. a dr. of Dea. Peter Rockwood; dates and particulars not at my ready command. Whether Mr. Williams still survives, I cannot state.

Our directories, from 1856 to 1880, contain a considerable number of this name; but for lack of family records, as well as space and time, I halt where I am.

WILLIS. An infrequent name among our inhabitants. The only family record furnished me under this name is an imperfect one of

WILLIS, EDWIN, son of Ephraim and Charlotte (Tower) Willis, b. Bridgewater, 1811; bootmaker; m. *Susan Maria Hollis*, dr. of John and Mary

(French) Hollis, b. in Braintree, 1812; cer. Braintree, date not given, by Prof. E. Parks. Issue:—

CHARLOTTE M., b. Braintree, date not given; m. Emerson Walker; d. Jan., 1876, a. 42 yrs.

JOSEPHINE, b. and d. in Braintree; no dates given.

EDWIN L., b. Braintree, Jan. 26, 1837; our popular photographer.

CLARISSA, b. and d. in Braintree; no dates given.

AUGUSTINE, b. Braintree, Sept. 19, 1845; photographer; m. Hannah S. Gardner, April 15, 1880.

SUSAN ISABEL, b. and d. in Braintree; no dates given.

The fr. came to Mil. many yrs. ago, number not given. He d. here in Aug., 1876, a. 64 yrs. 9 mos. Mrs. Susan, his wid., d. here Sept., 1878, a. 65 yrs. 7 mos.

WILLIS, EDWIN L., commenced as a photographer here in 1861, is skilful in his profession, and succeeds well.

WILLIS, AUGUSTINE, is an operator under his brother, and gives promise of fair success.

Both brothers are in reputable social standing. It is not quite pleasant for me to present such a broken skeleton of a family record as this, but I could not do better. I omit mention of our few other Willises.

WILMARTH, WELCOME, and wf. *Sarah*, pedigrees and history untraced, stand credited on our records with one birth:—

SARAH BAILIES, b. March 26, 1834. No further information.

WILMARTH, BUTLER, M. D., parentage obscurely traceable, b. in Norton, Dec. 18, 1798; adopted, at two yrs. of age, by Amos and Eunice (Butler) Wilmarth of Attleboro', and received their names; emigrated in boyhood with their family to Rowe, and thence, a few years later, to Montague, where he remained until his majority. His education and social advantages in early life were meagre, but his mental capabilities and aspirations superior. He made the most of his scanty opportunities, and resolved himself, by persistent efforts, into a noble specimen of manhood. A genius for the medical profession developed itself in his youth; and he studied its preliminary requisites, first with Dr. William Sellers of Amherst, and later with a Dr. Brigham of Greenfield. At the age of about 25 years, without having fairly completed his scholarship as he wished, on account of adverse circumstances, he launched himself on the professional sea, without diploma or license, but with a rare aptitude for success. He never ceased to be a close student in the trenchant school of experience and analytical observation. He was constitutionally a free inquirer and an independent thinker in all the departments of human concern, physical, intellectual, religious, and social, that commended themselves to his attention. At the same time he was eminently conscientious, upright, and benevolent, a scrupulous devotee of truth and righteousness in all their bearings. The result was an ever expanding eclecticism and reformatory progression, chastened continually by a salutary cautiousness against extremism and erratic extravagance. He ardently craved "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" on all subjects. He began, as a physician, a strict allopathist, but gradually adopted whatever was practically excellent in the other distinctive systems of medicine — anxious above all to benefit his patients and alleviate the sufferings of humanity. He displayed the same characteristics in religion, in morals, and in the great reforms of his time.

This well-balanced mentality rendered him always too fast for the fogies and too slow for the ultras, — never popular with fashionable conservatives, nor yet with iconoclastic radicals. He was uniformly against whatever wronged the under classes or the upper, and in favor of all that elevated the common brotherhood of his race. He was heart and hand with me in my Restorationism, and in all my moral and social reforms. In the Community movement at Hopedale, he was my stanch coadjutor, and a chief at our council-board, yielding, as I did, with deep regret, to the inevitable adversities which caused its failure. I deny myself the pleasure of extending this biographical sketch beyond the mere outline I have given, with less reluctance, on account of the rich and interesting memoir of Dr. Wilmarth, written by Rev. William H. Fish, soon after his death, and published in 1854. That presents a full record of his character, his undertakings, his achievements, and the principal details of his mortal career. I refer whoever desires a thorough knowledge of his biography, to that work. He lost his valuable earthly life in the dreadful railroad catastrophe at Norwalk Bridge, Ct., May 6, 1853. But we are sure that he lives on forevermore in the realms of a blissful immortality. Dr. Wilmarth m. a wf. worthy of him, viz., *Phila Osgood*, dr. of Joseph and Sarah (Graves) Osgood, b. in Wendell, Nov. 21, 1806; cer. probably in Wendell, March 1, 1831, by Rev. David Goddard. Issue: —

JEROME, b. Montague, Dec. 10, 1831; m. Abbie Frances Munyan, Nov. 19, 1856.

HARTLY, b. Montague, Sept. 12, 1833; d. a. 6 mos.

HARTLY, b. Leverett, April 21, 1835; d. a. 4 mos.

PHILA, b. Leverett, March 25, 1841; m. Henry James Weston, Dec. 25, 1865.

Mrs. Phila, the suddenly widowed wf. and mr., bore the shock of her hus.'s tragic death with remarkable fortitude and calmness. The following obituary, copied from "The Practical Christian" of Aug. 20, 1859, is truthful, and just to her memory: —

"In Hopedale, on the 10th inst., of consumption, Mrs. Phila O. Wilmarth, in the 53d year of her age. She was a most respected and beloved member of the Hopedale Community, and one of the excellent of the earth. As a woman, wife, mother, relative, friend, and practical Christian, her memory is crowned with rich commendation and eulogy by all who knew her. Her life was replete with unassuming worth and usefulness. As she scattered only blessings, meekly and patiently, all along the pathway of her pilgrimage, so only blessings follow her emancipated spirit into the spheres of immortality, whither, we doubt not, she has been joyously welcomed.

"Her husband, our beloved brother Butler Wilmarth, M.D., was suddenly ushered into the spirit-world in the awful railroad catastrophe at Norwalk Bridge, May 6, 1853. He had been anxious for her to qualify herself, by a regular course of medical studies, as a female physician. She had partly done so, at the 'Boston Female Medical College,' previous to his death. That overwhelming blow did not crush her spirits, as many of us feared it might; but, rallying all her womanhood, with the feeling that she was following out her departed husband's unchanged wishes, she bravely completed her medical course, and duly received her diploma from 'The Female Medical College of Pennsylvania.' She subsequently practised as a regular female physician in this town, and at Clifton Springs water-cure establishment, N.Y., till her health began to fail. Latterly she has resided with her two children at the quiet fam-

ily home in this place, a sinking invalid. For some time she suffered great mental depression along with her bodily debility; but a few weeks since, she regained her normal state of mind, so that her sunset-sky was clear, serene, and beautiful. With affectionate farewell benedictions to the dear of earth, she passed hopefully to the embrace of the dear departed in the spirit-land."

Their two chn., richly endowed with the virtues of their parents, still survive to bless their memories.

WILMARTH, JEROME, M.D., son of Drs. Butler and Phila (Osgood) Wilmarth, b. in Montague, Dec. 10, 1831; m. *Abbie Frances Munyan*, dr. of Lemuel and Fanny Willard (Pitts) Munyan, b. in Millville, then Mendon, but now Blackstone, July 7, 1833; cer. at Hopedale, Nov. 19, 1856, by the writer. Issue: —

FREDERICK AUGUSTUS, b. Hopedale, June 30, 1861.

LEMUEL BUTLER, b. Upton, Jan. 16, 1868.

An excellent family, from an excellent parental stock, with bright and promising chn., and an auspicious future before them. Dr. Jerome inherited the medical genius, taste, and aptitudes of his parents. He grad. first at the Westfield Normal School in 1851, then at the Commercial College, Providence, R.I., in 1855, and, finally, at the Harvard Medical College in 1866. Thus, by natural gifts and the accomplishments of education, he was prepared to enter on his profession with high prestiges of success. And he has achieved such success. He has established himself in Upton as a physician by over 15 yrs. of acceptable practice. He is deservedly popular there, and throughout a wide circuit in this general vicinity. For, besides eminent skill, he carries into every sick-room a gentle and soothing magnetism, no less salutary and agreeable than medical competence. He is greatly beloved and trusted by his numerous patients. As a townsman, citizen, and member of general society, he enjoys the same confidence.

WIRES, EPHRAIM LEWIS, son of Alvan and Amy (Lewis) Wires, b. in Cambridge, Vt., Aug. 12, 1833; m., 1st, *Mary Helen Pond*, dr. of Charles and Mary (Bruce) Pond, b. in Norwich, Ct., March 14, 1839; cer. Mil., June 30, 1859, by Rev. James R. Johnson. Issue: —

LEWIS, b. Mil., March 30, 1860; d. April 13 ensuing.

EVELYN MAY, b. Mil., April 11, 1861.

Mrs. Mary d. June 3, 1868. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Freeman Fitch*, dr. of George W. and Cassandra (Morrill) Fitch, b. Feb. 7, 1845, in Charlestown; cer. in Providence, R.I., May 31, 1871, by Rev. J. C. Stockbridge, D.D. Issue: —

EDITH CASSANDRA, b. Mil., June 14, 1872.

Mr. W. must have res. in town some 22 yrs. or more. His genius first won him very reputable distinction as a photographer, in which artistic vocation he achieved much success and high appreciation by an extensive public. Later he embarked, still more successfully, in the manufacture of the famous clinching-screws, etc., under the firm-name of "Estabrook, Wires, & Co.," in an estabment on Spring St., opposite Front. This establishment has become renowned in its peculiar line, and I need not here magnify it. Nor need I expatiate on the worth of Mr. W. and family, which is otherwise well enough known and respected in our community. His house is on Claflin St.

WISWALL, THOMAS[4] (Lieut. Thomas,[3] Capt. Noah,[2] Eld. Thomas[1]), b. in Newton, date not given; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Cheney of Newbury; blacksmith; m. *Sarah Daniell* of Needham (whom I suspect to have been a sister of Jasper Daniell), Dec. 20, 1733, and set. soon after on the Sherborn

road, our Main St., East, at the place where his son Timothy lived and d., now an abandoned site. Eld. Thomas and his bro. Eld. John Wiswall came from Eng., 1635, and set. in Dorchester, where they were men of distinction, as many of their descendants have been in their various localities. The chn. of our Thomas[4] and wf. were, —

HANNAH, b. Nov. 3, 1734; m. Daniel Wedge, jun., March 6, 1755.

LYDIA, b. Oct. 7, 1737; m. Mordecai Day, Dec. 15, 1757.

NOAH, b. 1741; m. wid. Susanna Tenney, April 11, 1764.

HENRY, b. not found; m. Joanna Thayer, Feb. 17, 1774.

TIMOTHY, b. not found; m. Diadama Daniels, Nov. 17, 1773.

The fr.'s death-date not found. Mrs. Sarah, his wid., d. Jan. 20, 1798, in her 87th yr.

WISWALL, NOAH[5] (Thomas,[4] Lieut. Thomas,[3] Capt. Noah,[2] Eld. Thomas[1]), b. not found; mr.'s maiden name Sarah Daniell; m. the wid. *Susanna Tenney*, formerly wf. of Isaac Tenney, and dr. of Jonathan and Lydia (Jones) Whitney; cer. April 11, 1764, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

RUBY, b. Jan. 12, 1765; m. Silas Brown, May 9, 1790.

PERLEY, b. March 11, 1767; untraced; may have d. young.

JERUSHA, b. July 17, 1769; m. Moses Green, June 24, 1792.

Concerning the subsequent history of the drs. and their families, I am not informed. I suspect they must have removed from town to other localities. The parents dwelt on what is still known to many of our inhabitants as the Noah Wiswall place, just beyond the junction of Cedar St. The house is still standing. The farm was a very handsome one, lying on both sides of the Holl. road. It has been cut up into house-lots and small parcels. Mr. Wiswall has been represented to me, by those who knew him well, as naturally a very capable man, an intelligent thinker, and remarkably benevolent. His kindness to the poor was proverbial. He was one of our earliest Universalists, and much devoted to the promulgation of his faith. See the chapter on "Religious Societies," where he is spoken of in connection with the original Universalist organization. The great drawback to his worth was intemperance, which almost ruined his old age. This failing and ruin was in those days too common with church-members, even those who regarded him as an incorrigible heretic. His doctrine procured him more reproach among his orthodox contemporaries than his intemperance. One of these, who dwelt on what is now Cedar St., a man that sometimes felt the sharp pinches of poverty, and to whom Wiswall one day carried a much needed load of wood, as he was wont to do in such cases, paid him the following compliment: "Don't you think," addressing Parson Frost, "the good Lord yesterday sent me a load of wood by the hand of the *devil!*" Such devils might be worse, and such saints might be better. Mr. Wiswall, toward the close of life, built him a stone tomb on a flat rock, near where the first Catholic ch. was long after erected. It was then in one of his pastures, and stood prominent on the hill. I visited it soon after I came into town, in 1824. The walls were cracking, the door falling in, and the bones of the decsd. partially scattered around the perishing coffin. It was told me, that, in his unfortunate moods toward the close of his career, he had more than once made him a straw-bed, and passed the night in his tomb. Be this as it may, the late Pearley Hunt, Esq., who had purchased the farm, carefully gathered the relics, and gave them rest in his own family tomb. They now repose in the Hunt lot in Pine-grove Cemetery. He d. March 9, 1804. Mrs. Susanna's death-date I have been unable to ascertain.

WISWALL, HENRY [5] (Thomas,[4] Lieut. Thomas,[3] Capt. Noah,[2] Eld. Thomas [1],) b. prob. Newton, date not found; m. *Joanna Thayer* of Mendon, Feb. 17, 1774; and their chn. were, —

MOSES, b. March 12, 1775.

LUCY, b. 1777.

HENRY, b. Feb. 27, 1779.

This is from Mendon records, and it is all I have found concerning this family. It leaves me and my readers in darkness on many points desirable to understand, but I can go no further.

WISWALL, TIMOTHY [5] (Thomas,[4] Lieut. Thomas,[3] Capt. Noah,[2] Eld. Thomas [1]), birth-place and date not found; inherited his father's homestead; m. *Diadama Daniels*, dr. of Maj. Joseph Daniels and Margaret his wf., b. in Mendon, on the Rehoboth road, near the present line of Mendon and Blackstone, Jan. 21, 1751; cer. in the Easterly Precinct, Nov. 17, 1773, by Rev. A. Frost. Before giving the names of their chn., I think it proper to say a few words concerning Mrs. Diadama's relationship and ancestry. She was a sister of Mrs. Anna (Daniels) Sumner, wf. of Darius Sumner. See Sumner. Their fr., Maj. Joseph Daniels, won much respect as a brave Revolutionary officer. He was a son of Eleazer Daniels, who set. on Quissett Hill, on the now line between Mendon and Blackstone, immediately after King Philip's war, and was noted for his pioneer courage, fortitude, and perseverance amid many trials. His descendants of the fifth, sixth, and seventh generations still inherit a portion of his original domain. I think I have made sure that this Eleazer was the youngest son of Joseph Daniels, and a gd. son of Robert, the immigrant patriarch of all the Daniels families in this general region. If I am correct, he was b. in Sherborn, March 9, 1681.

Chn. of Timothy and Diadama (Daniels) Wiswall: —

LYDIA, b. June 3, 1774; m. Uel Thayer, Oct. 4, 1798.

THOMAS, b. March 28, 1776; d. in early manhood, date not found.

JOSEPH, b. March 16, 1778; m. Sarah Hall, Dorchester, autumn of 1806.

SAMPSON, b. Nov. 24, 1781; m. Abigail ——, Providence, R.I., date not found.

MARGARET, b. April 15, 1783; m. a Leland; set. N.H., particulars not found.

PAMELIA, b. April 24, 1785; m. Ahaz Hayward of Swanzey, N.H., Jan. 11, 1809.

LOT, b. Oct. 23, 1787; studied for the ministry, H. U., preached as supply, etc.

PHILA, b. Aug. 4, 1791; m. Joel Stanford, Aug. 8, 1811.

JASPER, b. Feb. 16, 1793; m. Elizabeth Spears, April, 1821.

The parents and chn. generally worthy people. Mr. Timothy d. March 29, 1830. Mrs. Diadama d. Oct. 25, 1834.

Thomas, the eldest son, lived to be of age, hired himself out to work in Dedham, was there taken fatally sick, and d. in Medfield as his parents were trying to convey him home. Joseph spent most of his life in Dorchester, but d. in Sharon at an advanced age. Sampson went to Providence, R.I., where he m., and had 3 chn. Thomas, Elizabeth S., and Pamelia. He was long employed as a night watchman, and contracted habits which partially broke up his family. Thomas has a family in the vicinity of Providence, and Pamelia also has one in that city or near it. Elizabeth S. m. James M. Barber of Mil., March 17, 1834. She res., his wid., in Hartford, Ct. The fr., quite broken down by dissipation, d. in our asylum during the yr. 1850, or thereabouts. Mrs. Abigail, his wid., d. in the kind care of her dr. Elizabeth and hus., then res. in Mil., July 26, 1852.

Margaret Wiswall m. a Mr. Leland, mvd. to Westmoreland, N.H., and thence to other parts of N. H. or Vt. Pamelia m. as aforesaid, and set. in Westmoreland, N.H. Lot went through a course of study in H. U., but for certain reasons did not formally graduate. He then went through the Divinity School there, and supplied Unitarian pulpits in various places, but did not settle as a pastor. He res. mostly in Cambridge, got his name legally changed to William Daniels Wiswall, at length m. a lady in Cambridge (name not known to me), and planned to erect him a handsome mansion on the ancient homestead in Mil. Work had actually commenced on the cellar, and other preparations were made in 1841, when his wf. suddenly d.; and all his prospects were blighted. The work was abandoned at once, and only the old ruins remain. Rev. William D. himself d. in Roxbury, two or three yrs. after his wf.'s decease. Phila m., lived, and d. in town. See Stanford.

WISWALL, JASPER[6] (Timothy,[5] Thomas,[4] Lieut. Thomas,[3] Capt. Noah,[2] Eld. Thomas[1]), b. Feb. 16, 1793; m. *Elizabeth Spears* of Bellingham in April, 1821; ptge., birth-date, particulars of cer., etc., not ascertained. Their chn.:—

BENJAMIN, their 1st born, dateless; d. soon after birth.

JAMES, b. Mil., Nov. 29, 1823; survives; res. to me unknown.

VESTA SPEARS, b. Mil., Jan. 27, 1827; d. Oct. 27, 1836.

SIMEON DANIELS, b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1828; some yrs. dead.

Jasper and family res. on the old homestead. He became depressed in spirit, lost his mental balance, and took his own life. He did it in a singular and shocking manner. His scythe was hanging in its snath; which, taking down and standing upright before it, he drew his throat directly across it, severed both jugular veins, and bled to death instantly. To his wf., aged mr., and family relatives it was, of course, a dreadful calamity, and excited a shuddering sympathy throughout the neighborhood. Mrs. Elizabeth survived him several yrs., subsequently m. a Mr. Sadler, but both of them have been some time dead.

I omit mentioning one or two other Wiswalls, who lived and d. in town, not deeming it necessary or wise to give their records.

WITHERELL, CHARLES F., ptge. not given; b. in Mansfield, July 2, 1821; boot-finisher; m., 1st, *Mary A. Oliver*, ptge. not given; b. in Dover, N.H., Dec. 17, 1827; cer. July 11, 1849; no other particulars given. Issue:—

MARY ELLA, b. Mil., May 27, 1850; d. July 22, 1850.

CHARLES L., b. Mil., April 6, 1852; driver of Engine No. 1; family record not given.

IDA FLORENCE, b. Mil., Nov. 13, 1854; m. Clinton Rila Scott, Oct. 11, 1877.

FRANK A., b. Mil., Nov. 4, 1857; boot-finisher; nothing more given.

FRED A., b. Mil., Oct. 5, 1860.

ERNEST L., b. Mil., July 8, 1863; d. Nov. 23, 1863.

Mrs. Mary d. Nov. 29, 1867. The hus. m., 2d, *Elizabeth E. Rose*, dr. of Oliver and Sally (Cooper) Rose, b. in Northbridge, Aug. 5, 1844; cer. Aug. 19, 1871; no other particulars given. Issue:—

LIZZIE ZELLA, b. Mil., Aug. 8, 1872; d. Jan. 25, 1874.

WILLIAM W., b. Mil., May 27, 1875.

GEORGE L., b. Mil., June 3, 1876; d. Aug. 21, 1876.

The hus. and fr. d. quite suddenly June 16, 1880, much respected by those who knew his unpretentious worth, and deeply lamented by his bereaved family.

WITHINGTON, Albert Carruth[3] (Edward,[2] Benjamin[1]), b. Chesterfield, N.H., Nov. 2, 1825; mr.'s maiden name Lydia Hodgeman; m. *Marie Antoinette Chapin*, dr. of George and Mary Ann (Howard) Chapin, b. in Mil., March 8, 1830; cer. Mil., Nov. 7, 1850, by Rev. Preston Pond. Their chn.: —

Charles Albert, b. Mil., Nov. 21, 1851; d. Aug. 14, 1852.
Charles Melvin, b. Mil., April 7, 1853; d. July 17, 1853.
Frank Edward, b. Mil., April 16, 1855; clerk, 254 Main St.
Ella Adelia, b. Mil., Sept. 21, 1860.

Social standing of this family respectable. Mr. W. must have res. in town 30 yrs. or more. He has been prominent, through protracted terms of service, in our fire-department, as clerk, chief engineer, etc. He has also served several yrs. on the board of selectmen. As a business man in trade, etc., his reputation is good. He now deals in paints, oils, etc., in co. with Alonzo A. Cook, under the firm name of Cook and Withington, 142 Main St.; house Main, near Prospect, St.

WITHINGTON, Asaph, a brother of the preceding; m. *Sarah S. Pond*, dr. of Abner T. and Mary (Sumner) Pond, Nov., 1852. But he has sent me no family record, and I am reluctantly obliged to forego further specification.

WITHINGTON, James D., another brother; m. *Sylvia C. Williams*, Aug., 1849. I am also without his family record, and can say no more. Prob. he has ceased to res. in town. I have an impression that still another brother once res. in Mil., but cannot write with certainty.

WOODBURY, Rev. James Trask,[7] fifth pastor of our Mil. Cong. ch. (Peter,[6] Peter,[5] Josiah,[4] Peter,[3] Humphrey,[2] John[1]), b. in Francistown, N.H., Aug. 8, 1803; m. *Augusta Porter*, dr. of Jonathan and Phebe (Abbott) Porter, b. in Medford, Mass., March 1, 1803; cer. Medford, May 31, 1827, by Rev. Caleb Stetson. Their chn.: —

James Trask, Jun., b. May 28, 1829; d. in Acton, April, 1837, a. 9 yrs.
George, b. June 16, 1831; d. young.
Augusta, b. Aug. 25, 1832; m. George G. Parker, Esq.; res. Mil.
George Porter, b. June 23, 1837; m. Ellen Anna Barnes; res. Mil.
Charlotte Elizabeth, b. Nov. 3, 1845; m. Thomas G. Kent, Esq.; she d. June 21, 1877.

As indicated above, Rev. J. T. Woodbury was of the 7th generation in descent from John Woodbury, the ancestral immigrant. John[1] was b. in Somersetshire, Eng., came to Salem 1626, and brought along with him his son Humphrey,[2] b. in Eng., 1609. Peter[3] and Josiah[4] dwelt in Salem. Peter[5] set. in Beverly. Peter[6] moved to N.H., and set. in Francistown. There he was an influential man, and raised up a large and talented family. Among his sons were Levi Woodbury, governor, senator, judge, etc.; George W., M.D., Yazoo Co., Miss.; Peter P., M.D., Bradford, N.H.; and our Rev. James T. James T. graduated at H. U., 1823, when 20 yrs. of age, having entered at 16. He then studied law, and practised 4 yrs. in Bath, N.H.; but, feeling called to the gospel ministry, left the legal for the clerical profession. He was settled as pastor at Acton in 1832, where he continued his ministry for 20 yrs. He then accepted a call to the pastorate in this town, and was installed July 15, 1852. Here he remained over 8 yrs., till his death in 1861. He was a sound Hopkinsian in theology and ecclesiasticism, with liberal tendencies, an able, clear-headed, plain-spoken preacher, without ornate rhetoric or elocutionary display, and a prudent, faithful, judicious pastor. He and I differed widely in our interpre-

tation of both theoretical and practical Christianity; but I always found him a benignant and courteous gentleman, uniting with me on co-equal terms, as we often had occasion, at funerals, etc. He became deeply interested in the anti-slavery cause as early as 1836, and never relaxed his testimonies against the institution of chattel bondage; though dissenting, sometimes unpleasantly, from the Garrisonian abolitionists. He was no less interested, from first to last, in the temperance reform. He was much devoted to the promotion of public-school education, serving successfully on the town committees in Acton and Mil. He was constitutionally, as well as by legal training, disposed to participate in civil and political affairs; having none of my scruples against sword-sustained governmentalism, but, on the contrary, a sense of duty to help control this untoward world by force if necessary. He drew no nice distinctions between civil and sacerdotal duties. He therefore accepted various civil offices, and performed their functions with marked ability. He represented the town of Acton in the Legislature for at least one term, and perhaps several yrs. What other civil offices he held there I am not informed. Here he often presided over town-meetings as moderator, was a commissioned justice of the peace, etc. As a citizen and townsman, as well as clergyman, he was deservedly respected. In his family connection he was beloved and revered. He d. quite suddenly in the zenith of his ministry, Jan. 16, 1861, in his 58th yr., and received due funeral honors, domestic and parochial. His venerable wid. still survives, and has her home residence with her dr., Mrs. Parker.

WOODBURY, GEORGE PORTER[8] (Rev. James T.,[7] Peter,[6] Peter,[5] Josiah,[4] Peter,[3] Humphrey[1]), b. in Acton, June 23, 1837; mr.'s maiden name Augusta Porter; m. *Ellen Anna Barnes*, dr. of Amory and Adaline (Peck) Barnes, b. in Orange, Feb. 22, 1838; cer. Wrentham, June 5, 1860, by Rev. James T. Woodbury. Their chn.: —

AMORY TRASK, b. May 9, 1862.

ANNA AUGUSTA, b. Aug. 1, 1864.

GEORGE PORTER, b. Jan. 29, 1875.

Mr. Woodbury was postmaster in Mil. Centre from March 28, 1867, to April 21, 1869. He has been variously engaged in merchandise, and is now a clerk in the large furnishing-store of Joel W. Harris, 160 and 162 Main St. Social standing of himself and family worthy of their descent.

WOODBURY, SIMON; ancestry not traced; son of Jonathan Woodbury, b. Brattleboro', Vt., Aug. 2, 1822; m. *Mary M. Wales*, dr. of Amos and Emily (Cheney) Wales, b. Mil., June 18, 1832; cer. Jan. 8, 1852; 1 son: —

WILLIAM HENRY, b. Feb. 3, 1857; m. Elmina Sutherland, dr. of William L. and Vesta Emeline Sutherland, Victor, Mich.; cer. May 16, 1868. William H. and Elmina Woodbury have had 1 dr. born to them; viz., *Mary*, March 10, 1879. Mrs. Mary M. Woodbury, wife of Simon, d. April 22, 1878. The hus. no further traced.

WOODBURY, CYRUS O.; ancestry not traced; son of Rufus and Amanda Woodbury; b. Concord, Vt., 1831; bootmaker; m. *Elizabeth C. Starkey*, from Bath, Me.; ptge., etc., not given; cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 11, 1857, by the writer. They left town some time since, and the family is no further traced.

WOODBURY, OSCAR C.; driver of Engine No. 2; house Main St., corner So. Main; relationship unknown to me. No family record reported.

WOODMAN, WILLIAM E.; stair-builder, etc.; named in our directories for 1875 and 1878. Gone.

WOODSUM, Rev. A. E., the recently settled pastor of our Baptist ch. No family record or genealogical data at my command. Res. house 21 Franklin St. Public report gives him a good reputation in the outset of his pastorate. I have no doubt of his sterling talents and worth.

WOOD. Most, if not all, the Woods in Mil. and the neighboring towns are descendants of Thomas Wood, one of the original settlers in Rowley. He set. there as early as 1655, and by his wf. Ann had John, b. 1656; Thomas, 1658; Josiah, 1664; Samuel, 1666; Solomon, 1670; Ebenezer, 1671; James, 1674; and 4 drs. If I have not misapprehended records and traditions, Josiah, Samuel, Solomon, and Ebenezer set. in our general vicinity; i.e., on our territory, Mendon, Uxbridge, Upton, etc.

WOOD, JOSIAH [2] (Thomas [1]), b. Rowley, 1664; by. wf. *Mary* had a son JAMES, and perhaps several other chn.; but I have not come to the knowledge of James's birth-date, or of any other child, if any existed. Josiah came hither from Essex Co. in 1715, and purchased Capt. Seth Chapin's farm, situated immediately south of the Elder John Jones place. It contained about 150 acres, and Wood added 30 more to it. But he did not remain on it long; for in 1722 he sold it to Gershom Nelson from Rowley, the progenitor of all our Mil. Nelsons. Whither Josiah and wf. went, or when they d., I have not ascertained.

WOOD, JAMES [3] (Josiah,[2] Thomas [1]), birth-date not ascertained; m. *Bridget Jones*, dr. of Eld. John and Sarah Jones, b. 1696; cer. May 17, 1716. Issue: —

SARAH, b. Jan. 14, 1718; MARY, April 8, 1720; and MARTHA, Feb. 18, 1723.

Mrs. Bridget d.; and the hus. m., 2d, *Grace Thayer*, dr. of Jonathan, sen., and Elizabeth (French) Thayer, b. Dec. 20, 1684; cer. Oct. 8, 1723. Issue: HEZEKIAH, b. Feb. 21, 1724; SUSANNA, Feb. 25, 1726; m. a Pratt; JAMES, June 25, 1728; BENJAMIN, July 6, 1730; SARAH, Sept. 6, 1732, m. a Whitney; AMOS, Oct. 28, 1734.

Mrs. Grace d.; and the hus. m., 3d, *Elizabeth Hazeltine*, ptge., etc., not traced; cer. March 8, 1738. Issue: EDWARD, b. Dec. 22, 1738; THOMAS, Sept. 12, 1740; ELIZABETH, Nov. 13, 1742; GRINDALL, Feb. 3, 1745 or thereabouts; HEZEKIAH, Sept. 1, 1749; STEPHEN, April 11, 1751.

James Wood [3] was an enterprising carpenter. He res. first adjacent to his then father-in-law, Eld. John Jones. Next he purchased the old Benjamin Albee corn-mill place of Benjamin Wheelock and sons, in 1709, — the mill then burnt down. He rebuilt the mill, and added another below, a fulling-mill. This estate, with all its enlargements and improvements, he sold to David Howe of Weymouth; a clothier, in 1721. I do not learn where he next dwelt, but suppose somewhere on old Mendon territory; for he left ours, and returned no more. He finally set. in Mendon, on the Northbridge road, on the farm known in later times as the Stephen Wood place. Stephen [4] was his youngest son, whom I knew well in his old age. He had a son George,[5] who left a son Harrison,[6] now res. in Mendon. He d. not far from 1777; his will being dated Sept. 9 of that yr., an aged man. His son Grindall was his executor, and his 3d wf. was then surviving.

WOOD, ELIPHALET [3] (Ebenezer,[2] Thomas [1]), birth-date not ascertained; m. *Mary* ——, date not ascertained; set. and dwelt many yrs. on what used to be called the Taunton and Povidence road, now in part Cortland St., and in part So. Main. He lived on perhaps two different homesteads. Their chn.: —

RACHEL, b. 1740; m. Moses Daniels of Holl., Nov. 27, 1760.
MARY, b. 1742; m. Stephen Albee, Sept. 2, 1761.
DEBORAH, b. 1744; m. Joseph Pierce, March 31, 1767.
LOIS, b. 1746; m. Moses Hayward, May 27, 1767.
CATHARINE, b. 1748; untraced.
SILAS, b. 1751; m. Asenath Stuart, Dec. 6, 1772.
ELIZABETH, b. 1753; d. Sept. 2, 1753.
PATIENCE, b. 1759; d. Sept. 2, 1763.

Mrs. Mary was received into our Cong. ch. Aug. 8, 1754, and most of the chn. were then bap. by Rev. Mr. Frost. Eliphalet[3] sold the first homestead he owned here to Dr. Samuel Morse; deed dated March 19, 1741. I did not look sharply enough at the record, B. 14, p. 300, Worcester, to identify the premises; but I think they were on now So. Main St., not far from Howardtown, once so called. When he sold out his last-owned homestead, — which I think was on now Cortland St., — I am not accurately informed; perhaps about 1760, to Joshua Chapin, who sold it soon afterwards to Obadiah Wood. I have been told that Eliphalet removed to some part of Connecticut, and d. there. However that may have been, our records give no further trace of him.

WOOD, OBADIAH[4] (Obadiah,[3] Solomon,[2] Thomas[1]), b. about 1737; mr.'s maiden name, if I mistake not, Esther Hayward; m. *Experience Hayward*, dr. of Benjamin, jun., and Mary (Wheaton) Hayward, b. prob. about 1738; cer. in our Precinct, Nov. 22, 1759, by Rev. A. Frost. Their chn.: —

RUTH, birth-date not found; m. Abner Adams, Northbridge, Jan. 16, 1782.
NATHAN, b. 1759; m., 1st, Experience Thayer; 2d, Betsey Wood.
ANNAH, b. 1767; m. Abel Albee, April 29, 1784.

Prob. there were no others, — certainly none to my knowledge. If I understand the testimony of records and tradition, Solomon Wood set. in Uxbridge, where he was the fr. of 3 sons; viz., Solomon, Daniel, and Obadiah. By referring to the Hayward families, the reader will find that Jonathan,[2] son of Samuel,[1] had a dr. Hester or Esther, b. March 10, 1710, who m. Obadiah Wood in 1730. Jonathan[2] d. about 1760; and when his est. was set., in 1761, his dr. Esther, wf. of Obadiah Wood, is mentioned as having been previously portioned. From all this, I conclude that Obadiah, sen., must have m. the said Esther Hayward, and that she was the mr. of our Obadiah, jun. There was a Daniel Wood, prob. bro. of Obadiah, jun., who dwelt for some time on our territory, and had 1 or 2 chn. here. I find, too, that Obadiah, sen., bought John Rockwood's farm in 1741. What he did with it, I do not learn; but he himself lived and d. in Uxbridge. It seems that our Obadiah,[4] not far from the time of his mge., purchased one-half his fr.-in-law's homestead, and ultimately came into possession of the whole. His son Nathan inherited it, and thus it got the name of the Nathan Wood place. Obadiah, the fr., was a man of thrift and increase. He was among our early Universalists, as I find by their records. I presume he and his family occupied the average level of respectability. His wf., Mrs. Experience, d. Aug. 9, 1813. He d. June 6, 1820, a. 83 yrs.

WOOD, NATHAN[5] (Obadiah,[4] Obadiah,[3] Solomon,[2] Thomas[1]), b. 1759; m., 1st, *Experience Thayer*, dr. of Seth and Judith (Thayer) Thayer, b. in our Precinct, March 5, 1763; cer. in Mil., April 29, 1784, by Rev. A. Frost. No chn.

Mrs. Experience d. Oct. 24, 1821; and the hus. m., 2d, his cousin, *Betsey Wood* of Uxbridge, dr. of Solomon Wood, mr.'s maiden name Hannah Fish, birth-date not found; cer. prob. in Uxbridge, late in the yr. 1822; precise partic-

ulars not ascertained. Mr. Wood res. all his long life on the ancient Benjamin Hayward place, inherited from his fr. It is situated on now So. Main St., and is known to our older native citizens as the Nathan Wood place. Though professing no personal religion, he was attached to the Cong. parish, and in the great semi-religious controversy of 1819 acted with the parish party. He was by no means indifferent to the acquisition of property, and accumulated a handsome amount, which descended to his preferred nearest relatives. It should be remembered to his credit, that he was among the corporate proprietors of the "Milford Academy" in its day, and was a considerable subscriber to its captal stock. He was a substantial and respectable citizen. He and his wf., Mrs. Betsey, d. the same day, Sept. 15, 1849.

WOOD, SAMUEL, son, as I suppose, of Thomas,[1] was a landholder on the easterly slope of Neck Hill, adjoining the Jones farm, in 1722, when his bro. Josiah sold out his est. to the first Gershom Nelson. He was a carpenter, and, I think, res. more or less on our territory; but I can give only an imperfect account of him. I presume that he set. in Upton. Either he or his son Samuel, jun., bought of Jonathan Bond, in 1750, the farm latterly known as the John Cheney place in No. Purchase; but whether father or son, I am at a loss to determine. The son, —

WOOD, SAMUEL, Jun.[3] (Samuel, sen.,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date, etc., not ascertained; m. *Elizabeth Daniell*, dr. of Jasper and Keziah (Brick) Daniell, b. Feb. 20, 1740; cer. in our Precinct, May 24, 1764, by Rev. Amariah Frost. Their chn. not ascertained.

If they res. on the forementioned Bond-Cheney place, as is prob., I do not learn how long; I suspect not many yrs. But when our now Camp St. was originally laid out as a road, May 19, 1759, Samuel Wood, either fr. or son, owned the Bond place; how much longer, I have not examined Worcester Regr. of Deeds to learn.

WOOD, EBENEZER[3] (Samuel,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not ascertained; m., 1st, *Relief Wight*, dr. of the first Eleazer Wight; cer. Dec. 16, 1762, by Rev. Amariah Frost. They had several chn.; but I am certain of only three, —

MOLLY, b. Oct. 17, 1763; m. Ebenezer Walker, gd. fr. of Chester W. Walker of Upton.

RELIEF, birth-date not traced; m., 1st, a Mr. Goodell, and later a 2d hus.

EBENEZER WIGHT, birth-date not traced; m. Elizabeth Brown.

Mrs. Relief d. Sept. 30, 1796. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary Pond* of Medway, toward the close of 1797. He d. June 30, 1811. Mrs. Mary, his wid., d. Jan. 7, 1816. When one rides through the westerly portion of Silver Hill St. into Upton, and sees how rocky and rough that locality is, it seems astonishing that anybody should be attracted to settle there; but Eli Partridge, the first settler, made his home there, and after him Ebenezer Wood. Prob. the homestead was large in extent, and obtainable for a small price, with, perhaps, some choice spots not observable by a passing stranger.

WOOD, EBENEZER WIGHT[4] (Ebenezer,[3] Samuel,[2] Thomas[1]), birth-date not ascertained; m. *Elizabeth Brown*, ptge. and birth-date not traced; cer. in Mil., May 28, 1801, by Rev. David Long. Ebenezer W. inherited the rock-girded paternal home, and perhaps enlarged it. There he and his wf. raised up a considerable family; viz., —

ASA, b. Aug. 31, 1801; lived, unm., on the homestead, and d. 1859.

EZEKIEL, b. Feb. 21, 1803; lived, unm., on the homestead, and d. 1877.

EBENEZER WIGHT, b. May 10, 1805; m. Abigail Taft, dr. of Nathan; he d. 1875.

HENRY, b. March 21, 1807; unm.; survives, an invalid, on the homestead.
RELIEF, b. March 18, 1809; m. Samuel Force, Med.; she d. 1843.
MARY, b. July 19, 1811; m. Levi Pond, Mil., 1877.
SALLY, b. Jan. 19, 1814; unm.; survives, an invalid, on the homestead.
WILLIAM, b. Dec. 26, 1816; unm.; d. 1863.
JONATHAN, b. June 2, 1819; m. Rhoda M. Page, Med., April 2, 1846.

Mrs. Elizabeth d. May 9, 1838. Mr. Wood himself d. May 25, 1857, leaving an est., mostly real, appraised at $15,000. Only 3 of his chn. now survive; viz., Henry and Sally, feeble invalids, on the patrimonial homestead, and Jonathan, in Upton. Ebenezer W., jun., left one son, Gillespie Wood, who m., 1st, Sarah Holmes of Hop., and, 2d, Mary Ormes of Mil. Gillespie Wood, by 1st wf., has 1 dr., Nellie Maria, b. Sept. 25, 1866. She lives in the family of her gt. uncle, Jonathan Wood.

WOOD, JONATHAN[5] (Ebenezer W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Samuel,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Mil., June 2, 1819; m. *Rhoda M. Page*, dr. of William and Rhoda (Adams) Page, b. Bell., March 29, 1825; cer. in Medway, April 2, 1846, by Rev. Abner Mason. Their chn.:—

EDNA MARIA, b. Upton, March 24, 1847; m. James M. Ruggles, Nov. 6, 1867.
HATTIE RELIEF, b. Upton, May 17, 1850; m. Emmons Force of Medway, Nov. 6, 1872.

Jonathan Wood and wf. res. in Upton, on an ample farm, which they own and manage.

WOOD, JOHN[5] (Solomon,[4] Obadiah,[3] Solomon,[2] Thomas[1]), b. Uxbridge, June 3, 1781; mr.'s maiden name Hannah Fish; m. *Lucy Whitney*, dr. of Elias and Lucy (Barnes) Whitney, b. Sterling, Jan. 6, 1786; cer. Mil., Feb. 1, 1803, by Amariah Frost, Esq. Their chn.: WILLIS, HORACE, ELIAS, CELINDA H., PHINEAS, LAURA, SOPHIA M., CHARLES L., WARREN F. The birth-dates of these chn. not given, nor any account of their mges., grandchn., etc., except in one or two instances, indirectly ascertained.

It will be noticed that the hus. and fr. was of Uxbridge. He was a brother of Obadiah Wood, a prominent citizen of Mendon, some time since deceased, who was gd. fr. of our youngest lawyer, Joseph H. Wood, Esq. Mrs. Lucy, the wf. and mr., was a dr. of our 2d Elias Whitney, and is therefore a representative of an old and substantial Mil. lineage. See Whitney. She was m. in this town, and her 2 oldest chn. are understood to have been b. here. The winter before she was 20 yrs. old, in 1805, she removed with her hus. to Barre, Vt., and set. on East Hill, so called, built them a cottage house, went into farming, and reared up a large family. Eight of these grew up to adult age, and five of them are now living. Mr. Wood d. in Barre, Vt., March 24, 1867. Willis Wood, the eldest son, d. in Michigan, in the fall of 1876, a. 74 yrs. Mrs. Lucy, the widowed mr., still survives, in remarkable vigor, at the very advanced age of over 95 yrs. She res. in Barre, Vt., eyesight good, hearing unimpaired, her perceptive faculties but little dimmed, her native common sense strong, locomotion active, and her hands dexterous at many kinds of light work. She takes a lively interest in her native town, and is waiting anxiously for this history. I thought, therefore, she and her family deserved this notice. Her 93d birthday was worthily celebrated by her chn., grandchn., gt. grandchn., friends, and neighbors. She has 2 drs. res. in this town, or who have res. here at various periods of their lives; viz., Celinda H., wid. of Elijah Albee, jun. (see Albee), and Sophia M., a maiden lady who has distinguished herself by her great usefulness as a nurse of the sick and infirm, as well as in other spheres of responsible domestic service.

WOOD, Thomas Willis (prob. descends from another race of Woods), b. in Cumberland, R.I., Jan. 7, 1813; mr.'s maiden name Sylvia Wilcox; m. *Julia Ann Adams*, dr. of Peter and Ann Underwood (Claflin) Adams, b. Franklin, Dec. 12, 1814; cer. Bell., Jan. 31, 1838, by Rev. J. T. Massey. Issue:—

Ellen Maria, b. Mil., Aug. 24, 1845; m. Charles D. Hart, Nov. 3, 1865. Mrs. Hart d. Dec. 4, 1876, leaving 2 sons.

Grandchn.:—

Willie Charles Hart, b. Mil., Oct. 10, 1866.

Frank Eugene Hart, b. Mil., Feb. 27, 1872.

Thomas W. Wood came to res. in Mil. in 1834. Later, he bought the Josiah Kilburn farm, then owned by Hiram Kilburn, son and heir of Josiah, who had built a new house and barn on now Medway St. There the present owner res. He has some excellent land, is a diligent husbandman, and an orderly citizen, with a respectable little family, bereft of an only dr., but solaced in advancing age by the above-named gd. sons, as I hope.

WOOD, John M., ancestry not traced; son of Myles and Malinda (Montjoy) Wood, b. in Westminster, Sept. 26, 1831; m., 1st, *Lestina Plympton* of Wardsboro', Vt., dr. of Nathaniel and Pamelia Plympton; cer. Wardsboro', Vt., April 23, 1857; other particulars not given. Issue:—

Ella Augusta, b. Feb. 2, 1861; d. in Mil., Aug. 14, same yr.

Mrs. Lestina d. in Mil., Sept. 26, 1861. The hus. m., 2d, *Mary S. Johnson*, dr. of Nathaniel and Almira (Pierce) Johnson, b. in Lancaster, date not given; cer. Aug. 23, 1865, by Rev. James Salloway. No chn. Mr. Wood must have res. in town some 25 yrs. or thereabouts. He was long put down in our directories as a cabinet-maker, but has latterly become an undertaker, in which position he serves promptly and satisfactorily the numerous funeral demands made upon him. He and his wf. are deservedly respected in their various social circles.

WOOD, Francis N. (Simeon, Col. Ezra, Jonathan, etc.), b. in Upton, Sept. 14, 1832; mr.'s maiden name Maria Jackson; m. *Joanna B. Cook*, dr. of Barton B. and Lavina H. (Fisher) Cook, b. in Woonsocket, R.I., Feb. 9, 1834; cer. Mil., Sept. 12, 1855, by Rev. J. R. Johnson. No chn. Mr. Wood is best known as the trustworthy and gentlemanly conductor on the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad, though previously reputably known in other pursuits and callings. His wf. was also worthy of the high esteem in which she was held by the social circles in which she moved. The family has res. for various longer or shorter periods in this town, New York, Providence, R.I., and Ashland, Mass. Mrs. Joanna d. at Ashland, Sept. 5, 1881, deeply lamented.

WOOD, Joseph Hill, Esq.[7] (Perry,[6] Obadiah,[5] Solomon,[4] Obadiah,[3] Solomon,[2] Thomas[1]), b. in Mendon, Feb. 4, 1853; mr.'s maiden name Caroline Staples, a sister of Rev. Carlton A. Staples. Mr. Wood grad. from the Boston University Law School, etc., in 1877, and soon after, in June of the same yr., opened his office in Mil., being our youngest lawyer. His commission as justice of the peace from Gov. Rice, bears date April 17, 1877. He comes of an enterprising and persevering ancestry, and will not fail to make his professional mark in the community through lack of ambition, will-power, or persistent effort. These qualities have already distinguished him in the opportunities and positions which have given exercise to his faculties. Of course, in order to desirable success, like the rest of us, he will have to

be a docile pupil of that wisdom which is needed to chasten and regulate even the best human capabilities. He is yet a bachelor.

OTHER WOODS.

WOOD, ROBERT, described as "an outlandish man" by Parson Frost in his marriage record, was m. by him to *Hannah McKenny*, the mr. of Dilla Twitchell, July 9, 1789. The pedigree of neither is fully traceable by any data at my command. He was called a "foreigner," and said to have been a Hessian. No chn. They lived some yrs. with Dilla Twitchell, and d. under her care. Mr. Wood d. Dec. 12, 1814; Mrs. Wood, his wid., d. May 19, 1820.

WOOD, DANIEL, and wf. *Susanna*; untraced; had chn.:—

MARY, b. Dec. 4, 1801.

LAURA, b. Sept. 24, 1803; d. immediately.

ANNIS, b. Nov. 10, 1804.

WOOD, ROBERT, untraced; res. close on our border, in the edge of Hopkinton; m. *Mary Trask* of Cumberland, R.I.; I first knew them in that town; several chn., whose names, birth-dates, etc., I have omitted to obtain; he d. in 1867. His wid. and several of her adult chn. were living, at my last advices, on their homestead on the Hayden-row road, near the railroad, just over Hopkinton line.

WOOD, SAMUEL, boot-crimper, is mentioned in Directory of 1856 as res. in No. Purchase.

WOOD, F. W., clicker, in same, as res. corner Pine and Congress Sts.

WOOD, LEVI; m. *Izanna Works*, Jan. 31, 1839.

WOOD, JOSEPH, and *Mary Ann* (Austin), lost 2 chn. here; viz., CAROLINE AUSTIN in 1838, and JAMES in 1840.

WOOD, PELEG EDDY of Gloucester, R.I.; m. *Emma Lucilla Williams* here April 25, 1869, and has res. in town ever since. No family record reported.

WOOD, WILLARD, boot-packer, h. 60 Main St., directories 1869, '72, '75, '78, and '80.

WOOD, CHARLES V., in directories of 1869, '72.

A few others of the name, more or less transient, omitted.

WOODS. It is presumable that this name had the same origin in Eng. with that of Wood, and not improbable that the two were at first identical. Be this as it may, the two have generally, if not always, been distinct in this country. The one prominent family, or rather now cluster of families, of this name in Mil., descended from John Woods, sen., of Sudbury, who was among the first and leading settlers of Marlboro'. Hudson's Marlboro' states him to have been a selectman there as early as 1663. By his wf. Mary (Parmenter), he had at least three sons and one dr. He d. in 1677 or 8, and his wf. in 1690. His son John, jun., was b. July 18, 1647; his wf.'s name Lydia; he was made a deacon of the ch., and held in good esteem as a citizen. He d. April 5, 1716; and his wf. Sept. 24, 1723. James, youngest son of John, jun., was b. Oct. 30, 1694; m., 1st, Dorothy Barnes, March 19, 1719, who had 4 chn., and d. Nov. 10, 1734. He m. for 2d wf. Hepzibah Eager, who bore him 6 chn., and d. Dec. 31, 1736. He also was a Marl. deacon, and d. April 10, 1772. Among their chn., James, the 2d son, was b. Dec. 9, 1722. He m. Anna Stevens, Nov. 5, 1747, and removed to New Braintree in 1749. He d. in 1794. Their son James was b. in New Braintree in 1765; m. Catherine Bowman, 2d dr. of the distinguished Revolutionary Major Joseph Bowman; date of mge. not obtained. She

was b. July, 1768, and d. March 1, 1853, a. 84 yrs. 8 mos. He was deacon of the ch., justice of the peace, and otherwise honored by his fellow-citizens; he d. in 1814, a. 97 yrs. They had 8 chn., names not given me. The 8th and youngest was our —

WOODS, EDWARD[6] (James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in No. Braintree, Oct. 4, 1808; learned the carriage business of Samuel Bigelow, No. Braintree; removed to Barre, thence to So. Mil., and thence to Mil. Centre, where he carried on his business for many yrs., and was a universally respected citizen. He and his family enjoyed an excellent social standing; and in the Masonic fraternity he was held in honorable estimation, as his sons were when they arrived at manhood. His wf. was *Caroline Russell*, dr. of Rufus and Sophia (Moore) Russell, b. in Spencer, July 30, 1810; cer. in New Braintree, April 17, 1832, by Rev. Dr. John Fiske. Their chn.: —

CHARLES EDWARD, b. Barre, Dec. 30, 1833; m. Catherine Kernan, May 20, 1878.

JULIUS MORGAN, b. Barre, Oct. 8, 1835; m. Sarah Jane Fisher, July 31, 1859.

CAROLINE SOPHIA, b. Barre, Jan. 27, 1838; d. So. Mil., Aug. 17, 1839.

CLARA SOPHIA, b. So. Mil., Dec. 19, 1840; m. Henry Waldo Perry, Feb. 8, 1866; d. July 31, 1867.

FREDERICK HENRY, b. So. Mil., Feb. 21, 1843; m. Rose Mabel Mason, Jan. 22, 1879.

JAMES MONROE, b. Mil., Jan. 7, 1846; m. Emily Miller, June 2, 1878.

FLORA ELIZA, b. Mil., July 9, 1848; d. Sept. 26, 1850.

LURA CAROLINE, b. Mil., Sept. 24, 1850; m. Warren Sears, Feb. 16, 1874; d. April 6, 1877.

The fr. d. rather suddenly March 13, 1875, a. nearly 67 yrs., and was buried with Masonic honors. Mrs. Caroline, his wid., d. April 6, 1877, in her 67th yr. She d. only a few hours later than her dr., Mrs. Lura Caroline Sears; and a solemn double funeral honored their burial, April 9 ensuing.

WOODS, CHARLES EDWARD[7] (Edward,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Barre, Dec. 30, 1833; carriage-builder in Buffalo, N.Y.; m. *Catherine Kernan*, dr. of Bernard and Mary Ann (Lamb) Kernan, b. in Syracuse, N.Y., Oct. 15, 1850; cer. in Buffalo, May 30, 1878, by Rev. Dr. Haulcher. Issue thus far 1 son: —

EDWARD JULIUS, b. Buffalo, N.Y., Sept. 1, 1880.

WOODS, JULIUS MORGAN[7] (Edward,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Barre, Oct. 8, 1835; painter, etc.; m. *Sarah Jane Fisher*, dr. of Lewis and Ruth (Healey) Fisher, b. in Malden, June 2, 1840; cer. at Hopedale, July 31, 1859, by the writer. Their chn.: —

LEWIS EDWARD, b. in Mil., March 5, 1862.

MARY CLIFFORD, b. in Mil., June 1, 1863; d. Sept. 2 ensuing.

WILLIAM RUSSELL, b. in Mil., Jan. 12, 1869.

Social standing good. Mr. Woods has held a responsible position for yrs. at the head of our fire-department. The Masonic Fraternity have given him honorable confidence and distinction. He has recently removed from town, and now res. in Natick.

WOODS, FREDERICK HENRY[7] (Edward,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in So. Mil., Feb. 21, 1843; dining-saloon keeper; m. *Rose Mabel Mason*, dr. of John Q. and Susan (Pierce) Mason, b. March 20, 1855; cer. at Hopedale, Jan. 22, 1879, by the writer. No chn. reported. Worthy pair.

WOODS, James Monroe[7] (Edward,[6] James,[5] James,[4] James,[3] John,[2] John[1]), b. in Mil., Jan. 7, 1846; R.R. conductor; m. *Emily Miller*, dr. of Albert and Caroline (Blodgett) Miller, b. in Copake, Columbia Co., N.Y., June 4, 1853; cer. in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 2, 1878, by Rev. C. L. Kitchell. Issue:—

Caroline Lura, b. in Mil., April 3, 1879.

Social standing, respect, and confidence all that could be reasonably expected. He is a trusted conductor on the Boston and Albany Railroad, and the family prospects are auspicious.

WOODS, Clara Sophia, dr. of Edward and Caroline; m. Henry Waldo Perry; cer. Feb. 8, 1866, by Rev. J. B. Thornton; had 1 son:—

Charles Waldo, b. July 31, 1867; d. Dec. 27, 1873. The mr. d. July 31, 1867; and the fr. d. Nov. 26, 1876. See the Perry families.

Lura Caroline, youngest of Edward Wood's chn., m. Warren Sears, son of Judah and Ella Sears; cer. under the paternal roof, Feb. 16, 1874, by the writer; had 1 son:—

Frederick W., b. 1874; d. Aug. 18, 1875, a. 9 mos. The mr. d., as above told, April 6, 1877. I believe her hus. still survives.

YOUNG, Charles, b. Northbridge, Sept. 22. 1812; m. *Roxana Bacheler*, dr. of Jonas and Prusia (Howard) Bacheler, b. Sutton, Dec. 13, 1811; cer. in Blackstone Village, April 24, 1832, by Dr. Abel Wilder, Esq.

Industrious, peaceable, exemplary people. They have res. in Slaterville, R.I., Uxbridge, Mendon, and now, for several yrs., in So. Hopedale. Their present homestead is on Main St., down the hill westwardly from the Sylvanus Adams domicile, just below the abandoned site of an ancient house, once owned by Nehemiah Nelson, or one of his immediate family connection. Chn.:—

Charles Henry, b. July 13, 1835; d. Nov. 9 same yr.

Origen Bacheler, b. April 29, 1837; our professional organist and music-teacher.

George Henry, b. March 14, 1841; grad. Meadville, Pa., Theo. Sem., 1864. Unit. clergyman.

Francis Warren, b. Sept. 13, 1843; d. July 7, 1845.

Frances Elizabeth, b. Oct. 6, 1845; d. Jan. 8, 1849.

Frank Linnaeus, b. Nov. 20, 1852; grad. B. U., 1877; m. Minnie E. Jones; res. Boston.

Mr. Young, the fr., d. at his son's, Rev. George H., in Woburn, June 12 or 13, 1881.

YOUNG, Origen Bacheler, son of Charles and Roxana (Bacheler) Young, b. in Slaterville, R.I., April 29, 1837; an enterprising devotee of music, — organist, and teacher of the tuneful art; m. *Deborah Louisa Smith*, dr. of Jacob and Persis Ann (Weston) Smith, b. in South Marshfield, Jan. 15, 1840; cer. at Westford, Sept. 2, 1867, by Rev. George Henry Young. They have res. for longer or shorter periods in Lansing (Mich.), Meadville (Pa.), Woonsocket (R.I.), Worcester, Winchendon, and latterly at So. Hopedale. They have but 1 child:—

Gertrude Cushman, b. Worcester, July 26, 1875.

YOUNG, Rev. George Henry, son of Charles and Roxana (Bacheler) Young, b. in Slaterville, R.I., March 14, 1841; a successful Unitarian clergyman; m. *Abbie Banister Southwick*, dr. of Philip and Amelia (Dexter) Southwick, b. in Boston, Feb. 24, 1844; cer. in Boston, July 18, 1870, by Rev. Edward E. Hale. Their chn.:—

Annie Horton, b. Boston, Dec. 12, 1872.

Sheila, b. Troy, N.Y., Dec. 6, 1875.

Infant dr., b. Santa Barbara, Cal., March 30, 1878; lived only a day.

Mrs. Abbie d. in Santa Barbara, Cal., April 17, 1878. Mr. Young entered the Hopedale Home School in his later boyhood, and at the age of 21 yrs. was qualified to enter the Theological School in Meadville, Pa., whence he grad. in 1866. He soon set. in Westford, Mass., where he remained nearly 6 yrs. He next set. in Troy, N.Y., where he continued his ministry 4½ yrs. His wf.'s feeble health induced him to remove with her to Santa Barbara, Cal., in hope of her recovery, which proved a sad disappointment, as above indicated by her death. He preached in Santa Barbara nearly 3 yrs. On returning East he received and accepted a call from the parish in Woburn, where he was installed in the autumn of 1879, and is now ministering with success.

YOUNG, Frank Linnaeus, youngest son of Charles and Roxana (Bacheler) Young, b. Nov. 20, 1852; grad. B. U., 1877; devoted mainly to mercantile pursuits; m. *Minnie Ella Jones*, dr. of Luther P. and Lydia M. (Wales) Jones of Mil., b. April 22, 1858; cer. Dec. 16, 1878, by the writer. One child:—

Arthur Parkhurst, b. Nov. 28, 1879. They res. in Boston, with auspicious prospects.

Here I conclude this expansive Register. It occupies 630 pages, and contains 437 distinct surnames. Many of these leading surnames have numerous family branches, whose records are interspersed with genealogical and biographical sketches. I might, perhaps, have judiciously omitted some names; yet I regret not having been furnished with several other family records that do not appear. However, I have done the best I could with the data and means at my command. So, hoping to be excused for all errors which may be detected, the whole is respectfully submitted.

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